

SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE DECISION MAKING

RECORD OF THE DECISION MAKING HELD ON 18 JUNE 2013

Present:

Councillor Letts	-	Leader of the Council
Councillor Bogle	-	Cabinet Member for Children's Services
Councillor Rayment	-	Cabinet Member for Change and Communities
Councillor Tucker	-	Cabinet Member for Economic Development and Leisure
Councillor Thorpe	-	Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport
Councillor Payne	-	Cabinet Member for Housing and Sustainability
Councillor Barnes-Andrews	-	Cabinet Member for Resources

Apologies: Councillor Shields

1. REPORTS FROM OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES (IF ANY)

Cabinet noted the report of the Chair of the Health an Overview Scrutiny Panel.

2. EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet:

- (i) approved the executive appointments for the 2013/14 Municipal Year as set out in the attached revised Register
- (ii) noted all appointments be for one year save where the terms of reference and or constitution of the body or organisation concerned specify the duration of an appointment or where the decision on any nomination by the City Council to their membership is reserved to the body or organisation concerned to determine the appointment or continuation of appointments, in light of any changes in City Council Administration.

3. COMMUNITY ASSET TRANSFER STRATEGY

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 13/14 9980)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Change and Communities and having received representations from local residents with a specific interest in local charities and community organisations and Members of the Council, Cabinet agreed the following modified decision:

- (i) To approve the Community Asset Transfer Strategy attached at Appendix 1.
- (ii) To delegate authority to the Communities and Improvement Manager, to progress applications for community asset transfers so that they can be presented for Cabinet consideration.

- (iii) To delegate authority to the Head of Communities, Change and Partnerships, following consultation with the Cabinet Members for Communities and Change, Resources and Children's Services to approve minor amendments to the Community Asset Transfer Strategy in the light of changing Council priorities and resources.
- (iv) To delegate authority to the Director of Environment and Economy, following consultation with the Cabinet Members for Communities and Change, Resources and Children's Services to do anything necessary to give effect to the recommendations contained in this report.
- (v) To agree that in the first phase, no youth and play buildings will be included in the Community Asset Transfer process and to delegate authority to the Interim Director of Environment and Economy to review this after implementation of the first phase, following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Communities and Change and the Cabinet Member for Children's Services.

4. RESPONSE TO OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE WELFARE REFORMS INQUIRY

DECISION MADE: (Ref CAB 13/14 10621)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Change and Communities, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) To approve, in principle, subject to resources, all recommendations from the Scrutiny Panel A Welfare Reforms Inquiry for implementation, as set out in Appendix 1.
- (ii) To note that the Scrutiny Panel's recommendations 1 and 2, relating to Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme, were agreed by Council on the 16th January 2013. Recommendations 3 and 4, relating to Social Fund/Local Welfare Provision were agreed by Council on the 13th February 2013.
- (iii) To delegate authority to the Head of Communities, Change and Partnerships and the Head of Finance and IT, following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Change and Communities and the Cabinet Member for Resources, to agree allocation of Local Welfare Provision funding for 2013/14 and 2014/15.
- (iv) To allocate £128,800 from the General Fund Revenue Budget contingency of £458,500 in order to provide the additional resources as set out in Appendix 2, which it is forecast will enable the implementation of the recommendations from the Scrutiny Panel A Welfare Reforms Inquiry detailed in Appendix 1 in full.
- (v) To agree the establishment of a city-wide, Welfare Reforms Monitoring Group, chaired by the Cabinet Member for Change and Communities.

5. CITY CENTRE ON STREET RESIDENT ONLY PERMITS

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 13/14 10407)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) To amend section 4(a) of the Strategic Level Parking Policy (previously approved by Cabinet on the 17 March 2008) to allow the provision of on street resident permit parking within the City Centre, subject to meeting the tests outlined in Appendix 1;
- (ii) To amend the Parking permits for Residential Developments Policy (previously approved by Cabinet on the 16 October 2006) to allow occupiers of City Centre developments approved since 2001, entitlement to on street resident permit schemes. This policy amendment is to be incorporated into section 4(a) of the Strategic Level Parking Policy, as outlined in Appendix 1. The existing policy is retained for Resident Only Parking Schemes outside the City Centre; and
- (iii) To delegate to the Head of Transport, Highways and Parking, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport, to determine detailed proposals, including permits costs, and advertise Traffic Regulation Orders for City Centre on street resident permit schemes, in accordance with the revised policy outlined in Appendix 1, and taking account of the public consultation summarised in Appendix 3.

6. SOUTHAMPTON FAIRNESS COMMISSION

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 13/14 10648)

On consideration of the report of the Leader of the Council, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) To endorse the proposal to establish a Southampton Fairness Commission.
- (ii) To agree the underlying principles and draft Terms of Reference.
- (iii) To delegate authority to the Director for Environment and Economy, following consultation with the Leader of the Council to determine the final Terms of Reference and membership of the Commission.
- (iv) To delegate authority to the Head of Strategic HR, to undertake work on the introduction of the Living Wage for the Council, following consultation with the Leader, Cabinet Member for Resources, Head of Finance and IT, and formal consultation and negotiation with the unions.

7. *COMMUNITY ALARM / TELECARE MONITORING PROVISION FOR NON SCC CUSTOMERS

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 13/14 10434)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Housing and Sustainability, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) To approve a time limited extension to the existing service with Portsmouth City Council for the provision of telecare alarm monitoring services, for the

maximum period May 2013 to March 2015 and on the terms set out in the contract.

- (ii) To delegate authority to the Head of Legal, HR and Democratic Services to do anything necessary to give effect to this decision.

8. CONVERSION OF THE CITY'S THREE PFI SCHOOLS TO ACADEMY STATUS
DECISION MADE (Ref: CAB 13/14 10650)

On consideration of the Report of the CYP Strategic Commissioning, Education and Inclusion Manager, the Cabinet Member for Children's Services agreed to note and accept the risks associated with the conversion of Cantell, Redbridge and Woodlands (the three PFI schools) to academy status.

9. PRIMARY SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT - DECISION ON IMPLEMENTATION
DECISION MADE (Ref: CAB 13/14 10651)

On consideration of the report of the CYP Strategic Commissioning, Education and Inclusion Manager and having received representations from the Head Teacher of Oakwood Primary School, the Cabinet Member for Children's Services made the following decision:

- (i) To consider the outcome of statutory consultation and approve the implementation of published proposals to:

- Discontinue Bitterne Park Infant and extend the age range of Bitterne Park Junior, to establish a primary school from the 1st September 2013.
- Discontinue Tanners Brook Junior and extend the age range of Tanners Brook Infant, to establish a primary school from the 1st September 2013.
- Discontinue Oakwood Infant and extend the age range of Oakwood Junior, to establish a primary school from the 1st January 2014.

Discontinue Heathfield Junior and extend the age range of Valentine Infant, to establish a primary school from the 1st January 2014.

- (ii) To consider the outcome of statutory consultation and approve a modification to the published proposals to:

- Discontinue St Monica Junior and extend the age range of St Monica Infant, to establish a primary school from the 1 January 2014*

The modification will have the effect of changing the implementation date from 1st January 2014 as originally published above to an implementation date of 1 April 2014 as requested by the Governing Body of each school.

The modified proposal is to:

Discontinue St Monica Junior and extend the age range of St Monica Infant, to establish a primary school from the 1st April 2014*

- (iii) Subject to complying with Financial and Contractual Procedure Rules, to delegate authority to the Director of Children's Services and Learning, following consultation

with the Cabinet Member for Children's Services, to do anything necessary to give effect to the recommendations in this report.

10. *LEASE RESTRUCTURE - 54 ABOVE BAR SOUTHAMPTON
DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 13/14 10622)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Resources, Cabinet agreed to agree to the restructure of the lease of 54 Above Bar for a term expiring in 2125 in return for a capital receipt as detailed in the confidential appendix.