

SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE DECISION MAKING

RECORD OF THE DECISION MAKING HELD ON 16 JULY 2013

Present:

Councillor Letts	-	Leader of the Council
Councillor Barnes-Andrews	-	Cabinet Member for Resources
Councillor Jeffery	-	Cabinet Member for Change
Councillor Bogle	-	Cabinet Member for Children's Services
Councillor Kaur	-	Cabinet Member for Communities
Councillor Tucker	-	Cabinet Member for Economic Development and Leisure
Councillor Rayment	-	Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport
Councillor Shields	-	Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care
Councillor Payne	-	Cabinet Member for Housing and Sustainability

11. EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS

Cabinet approved the following changes to the Executive Appointments register:

Safe City Partnership – Councillor Kaur to replace Councillor Rayment.

Schools Forum – Councillor Lloyd to replace Councillor Keogh.

Standing Conference on Problems Associated with the Coastline – Councillor Rayment to replace Councillor Thorpe.

Transport for South Hampshire Joint Committee – Councillor Rayment to replace Councillor Whitbread.

Corporate Parenting – Councillors Jeffery and Kaur to replace Councillor Thorpe.

Association of Port Health Authorities – Councillor Rayment to replace Councillor Thorpe.

Safer Roads Partnership for Hampshire and IOW Executive – Councillor Rayment to replace Councillor Thorpe.

Enterprise First – Councillor Tucker to replace Councillor Thorpe.

Street Lighting PFI Network Board – Councillor Rayment to replace Councillor Thorpe.

Local Government Coastal Issues Special Interest Group – Councillor Rayment to replace Councillor Thorpe.

Project Integra Management Board – Councillor Rayment to replace Councillor Thorpe.

12. EVENING PARKING CHARGES

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 13/14 10646)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport and having received representations from the Southampton Old Bowling Club, residents of Southampton Old Town, the Chamber of Commerce and Members of the Council, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) To amend the Strategic Level Parking Policy (previously approved by Cabinet on the 17 March 2008) to allow the establishment of the principle of charging for evening parking charges.
- (ii) 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 costs, permit schemes and advertise Traffic Regulation Orders for evening charges, in accordance with the new policy.
- (iii) To note that the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) for evening charges will propose the following:
 - A flat rate charge of £2 to apply in the on street city centre pay & display zone from 6pm until 8pm after which time it will be free;
 - Multi storey car parks already charging in the evenings will see no change;
 - Evening car park charges to be introduced in city centre surface car parks at a flat rate of £2 from 6pm to midnight;
 - That the overnight annual car park season ticket charges are reduced from £250 to £150 and that this offer apply to all car parks in the city centre boundary as defined by the map in appendix 4;
 - That the maximum period of stay in the Red Zone during chargeable hours is increased to 2 hours

13. CHARGING FOR RESIDENTS FIRST PARKING PERMITS

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 13/14 10746)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport and having received representations from Members of the Council, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) To approve in principle the introduction of a charge of £30 for the issue of a first resident's parking permit (for new applicants to the scheme) for all residents' parking schemes in Southampton that are outside of the City Centre, where a charge for a first permit does not already apply, save those listed in recommendation (iii) below.
- (ii) To approve in principle a charge of £15 for the issue of a 3 month temporary parking permit (for new applicants to the scheme) for all residents' parking schemes in that are outside of the City Centre Southampton save those listed in recommendation (iii) below.
- (iii) To exclude the dwellings encompassed by the Northam, Bitterne Manor, and Itchen Residents' Parking Schemes from the charging proposals.
- (iv) To delegate authority to the Director of Environment and Economy to advertise the relevant Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO's) and consider and determine any representations received to those proposals in accordance with the Council's procedures for determining Traffic Regulation Orders.

14. EARLY YEARS EXPANSION PROGRAMME

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 13/14 10794)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Children's Services, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) To approve, in accordance with Financial Procedure Rules, capital expenditure of £1,361,000; phased £67,000 in 2013/14 and £1,294,000 in 2014/15, from the Children's Services Capital Programme; and
- (ii) Subject to compliance with Contract and Finance Procedure Rules, to delegate authority to the Director of People to do anything necessary to procure and deliver the capital projects set out in Appendix 1 of this report.

15. SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL PLAN 2013-2016

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 13/14 9086)

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

- (i) To note the recommendations made by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee, as reported verbally at the meeting, which, if approved by Council, will be reflected in the final version of the plan.
- (ii) To recommend the draft Council Plan 2013-16, including the council priorities as detailed in Appendix 1, to Council for approval.

16. REDUCING ENERGY CONSUMPTION AND CARBON EMISSIONS IN THE CITY'S STREET LIGHTING SERVICE.

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 13/14 10358)

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

- (i) That lighting levels in residential areas following the installation of new lighting units are reduced by:
 - 25% between dusk and midnight
 - 50% between midnight and 5am
 - 25% between 5am and dawn;
- (ii) That lighting levels on main Primary and Secondary traffic routes, following the installation of new lighting units, be reduced by 25% between midnight and 5am; and
- (iii) To note that some exceptions to this policy for operational reasons may be necessary from time to time and these will be recorded by the street lighting service.

17. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY AND PLANNING OBLIGATIONS
SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT ADOPTION

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 13/14 10797)

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

- (i) To recommend the Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule, the statement of Statutory Compliance (contained within the Charging Schedule) and the Community Infrastructure Levy Instalments Policy (Appendices 1 and 4) to Council for approval;
- (ii) To approve the Developer Contributions Supplementary Planning Document (Appendix 3) and to delegate authority to the Head of Planning Transport and Sustainability to approve the necessary amendments to Appendix A: Commuted Sums Tables contained therein; and
- (iii) To delegate authority to the Head of Planning Transport and Sustainability to establish the procedure, following consultation with the Leader of the Council, for how neighbourhood funding from the Community Infrastructure Levy will be allocated.

18. NORTH OF CENTRAL STATION - FUNDING APPROVALS

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 13/14 10798)

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

- (i) Subject to the decision of Council to approve the recommendations set out above, to approve the procurement and delivery of the “North of Station Quarter” capital scheme; and
- (ii) To delegate authority to the Director of Environment and Economy to make decisions necessary to procure and deliver the “North of Station Quarter” scheme within the overall approved budget.

19. UPDATE ON THE PEOPLE SERVICES TRANSFORMATION WORK

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 13/14 10947)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Children’s Services, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) To note the work undertaken between December 2012 and April 2013 in advance of establishing the People Directorate in April 2013.
- (ii) To note the arrangements put in place by the People Directorate to drive the implementation over the next 12 – 18 months. This will lead to the transformation of services in the People’s Directorate.

20. *OAKLANDS SWIMMING POOL

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 13/14 10799)

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

- i) Approve, in accordance with Financial Procedure Rules, capital expenditure of £18,000 in 2013/14 from the Economic Development and Leisure Capital programme for refurbishment works at Oaklands swimming pool to undertake a detailed feasibility study, subject to approval by Council of the addition of the scheme to the Capital Programme on 17 July 2013.
- ii) That work to progress the feasibility and business plan development is progressed.
- iii) Delegate authority to the Head of Legal, HR and Democratic Services, after consultation with the Head of Leisure and Culture, to formalise the arrangement to reopen and operate Oaklands Pool by the preferred community group using whichever form of agreement deemed most appropriate in the circumstances.

21. *SRB2 REGENERATION PROGRAMME SUCCESSION STRATEGY

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 13/14 10800)

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

- (i) To award a grant of £386,000 to West Itchen Community Trust for the refurbishment of the Acorn Enterprise Centre in Empress Road subject to:
 - Satisfactory appraisal of the WICT business plan relating to Acorn Enterprise Centre;
 - Confirmation of the type and financial cost of proposed grant funded works by a suitably qualified Property Surveyor; and
 - Confirmation of co-investment/match funding on behalf of WICT and of the works programme.
- (ii) To delegate authority to the Director of Environment and Economic Development following consultation with the Head of Legal, HR and Democratic Services, to enter into a grant agreement with West Itchen Community Trust and to do anything necessary to give effect to the payment of the grant.
- (iii) To protect grant monies through the placement of a Legal Charge for 10 years from the date of issue, on Acorn Enterprise Centre.
- (iv) To add, in accordance with Financial Procedure Rules, a sum of £386,000 to the Leader's Capital Programme, for a capital grant towards works at the Acorn Enterprise Centre.
- (v) To approve, in accordance with Financial Procedure Rules, capital expenditure of £386,000 in 2013/14 from the Leader's Capital Programme to award a capital grant.

22. SPECIAL EDUCATION NEEDS STRATEGY

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 13/14 10649)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Children's Services, Cabinet agreed to adopt the new SEN Strategy for 2013-2016 attached at Appendix 1.

23. * IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL ATTENDANCE POLICY

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 13/14 10793)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Children's Services, Cabinet agreed to approve the revised School Attendance Policy, attached at Appendix 1 in the report.