

Cabinet Agenda

Date: Monday, 6th June, 2011

Time: 2.00 pm

Venue: Committee Suite 1, 2 and 3, Westfields, Middlewich Road,

Sandbach, CW11 1HZ

The agenda is divided into 2 parts. Part 1 is taken in the presence of the public and press. Part 2 items will be considered in the absence of the public and press for the reasons indicated on the agenda and at the foot of each report.

PART 1 – MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS PRESENT

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Declarations of Interest

To provide an opportunity for Members and Officers to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests in any item on the agenda.

3. Public Speaking Time/Open Session

In accordance with Procedure Rules Nos. 11 and 35 a total period of 10 minutes is allocated for members of the public to address the Cabinet on any matter relevant to its work.

Individual members of the public may speak for up to 5 minutes but the Chairman will decide how the period of time allocated for public speaking will be apportioned where there are a number of speakers. There is no requirement to give notice of the intention to make use of public speaking provision but, as a matter of courtesy, a period of 24 hours' notice is encouraged.

In order for an informed answer to be given, where a member of the public wishes to ask a question of a Cabinet Member, three clear working days' notice must be given and the question must be submitted in writing at the time of notification.

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4. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** (Pages 1 - 4)

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting held on 3 May 2011.

5. **Key Decision 67: Economic Development Strategy** (Pages 5 - 34)

The report updates Cabinet on developments and progress in respect of the Draft Economic Development Strategy for Cheshire East. Consultation has been undertaken internally and with external partners and incorporates findings from the Local Economic Assessment.

Cabinet is required to approve the revised Strategy for adoption.

6. **Key Decision 84: Highways Services Services Procurement** (Pages 35 - 46)

The report provides a summary of the procurement process and recommends a decision to appoint a Highways Services Contractor to start on 6 October 2011.

The report sets out the rationale for change as well as the key provisions of the new Highways Services Contract.

Cabinet is asked to award Preferred Bidder to the company which receives the highest score on the evaluation which will be tabled at the meeting.

7. Appointments to Outside Organisations 2011-2015 (Pages 47 - 50)

The report gives details of Category 1 outside organisations to which Cabinet is required to make appointments.

Cabinet is asked to make appointments for a four-year term of office and to adopt a procedure for dealing with vacancies which occur between appointments.

A schedule of nominations will be available at the meeting.

8. **Review of the Fostering Services** (Pages 51 - 98)

The final report of the "Task and Finish" Group which conducted a Scrutiny Review of the Fostering Service, is attached.

Cabinet is asked to receive the report and note that the Children and Families Portfolio Holder will report formally to a future meeting of Cabinet in respect of each recommendation.

9. Review of Family Support Services: Portfolio Holder Response to Scrutiny Review (Pages 99 - 110)

The attached document is a response to the report of the Review of Family Support Services presented by the "Task and Finish" Group of the Children and Families Scrutiny Committee considered by Cabinet on 20 December 2010.

10. Exclusion of the Press and Public

The report relating to the remaining item on the agenda has been withheld from public circulation and deposit pursuant to Section 100(B)(2) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that the matter may be determined with the press and public excluded.

The Committee may wish to exclude the press and public from the meeting during consideration of the following item pursuant to Section 100(A)4 of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 and the public interest would not be served in publishing the information.

PART 2 - MATTER TO BE TAKEN IN THE ABSENCE OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

11. Workforce Change (Pages 111 - 116)

The report gives details of posts which the Chief Executive recommends be approved or noted for severance.