

Special Cabinet minutes

Wednesday 14 May 2008 at 6.00 p.m.

in Conference Room 2 at the Council House Walsall

Present

Councillor John O'Hare	Leader of the Council
Councillor Zahid Ali	Children's services
Councillor Walker	Environment
Councillor Al Griffiths	Finance and personnel
Councillor Louise Harrison	Leisure and culture
Councillor Barbara McCracken	Social care, health and housing
Councillor Anthony Harris	Transport

1985 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

1986 Private Session

Exclusion of public

Resolved

That during consideration of the remaining item on the agenda, the Cabinet considers that the item for consideration is exempt information by virtue of the appropriate paragraph(s) of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972, and accordingly resolves to consider the item in private.

1987 Change for children

With the approval of Cabinet, Councillors Arif and Andrew remained in the room during consideration of this item.

Councillor Zahid Ali presented the report:

(see annexed)

Barry Fielding, Consultant and Matthew Sutton, external lawyer attended and responded to questions from members.

A discussion took place following which was:

Resolved

- (1) That Cabinet awards the education contract to Serco Ltd.
- (2) That the contract be awarded for a commitment of twelve years based on the Discretionary Variant Bid which contains a number of added value proposals over and above the Core bid.
- (3) That Cabinet delegates authority to the Executive Director of Children's Services, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Children's Services, the Leader of the Council, the Chief Executive and the Chief Finance Officer to resolve and agree any minor outstanding contractual matters and authorise the execution, initialling, signature and or sealing of the contract and any ancillary contracts, certificates or documents for the purpose of implementing this recommendation. A final report to be brought to a future Cabinet detailing any subsequent changes.

[Exempt information under paragraph 3 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972 (as amended)]

The meeting terminated at 6.20 p.m.

Leader:

Date: