Special Cabinet Minutes

Wednesday 2 June 2016 at 4.30pm

in Conference Room 2 at the Council House, Walsall

Present

Councillor S. Coughlan
Councillor Jeavons
Councillor Burley
Councillor J. Fitzpatrick
Leader of the Council
Deputy Leader, Regeneration
Children's Services and Education
Community, Leisure and Culture

Councillor Jones Clean and Green

Councillor Robertson Health
Councillor D. Coughlan Social Care

Councillor Nawaz Personnel and Business Support

Councillor I. Shires Agenda for Change

3484/16 Apologies

Apologies were received on behalf of Councillor Nawaz.

3485/16 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3486/16 Local Government (Access to Information) Act, 1985

Resolved

There were no items to be considered in private session.

3487/16 Approval of West Midlands Combined Authority Draft Mayoral Scheme, Mayoral Elections Order and West Midlands Devolution Deal

The Chief Executive presented the report.

(see annexed)

In presenting the report, the Chief Executive stressed the decision was legally that of the Cabinet and that Council would be informed of the Cabinet recommendations.

The report was discussed, following which it was **moved** by Councillor Jeavons and duly seconded by Councillor Shires:-

Resolved

- (1) That Cabinet, as Constituent Members of the West Midlands Combined Authority, agrees with Mayoral Governance Review (**appendix 1**) and recommends to Council the approval of the Mayoral Governance Review.
- (2) That Cabinet, as a Constituent Members of the West Midlands Combined Authority, agrees with the content of the draft West Midlands Mayoral 'Elections' Order (appendix 3) establishing the position of Mayor and enabling elections to occur in 2017, and recommends to Council the approval of the Mayoral Order subject to recommendation (3) below.
- (3) That Cabinet delegates authority to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Leader of the Council to agree minor non-material amendments to the West Midlands Mayoral 'Elections' Order
- (4) That Cabinet, as a Constituent Members of the West Midlands Combined Authority, approves the draft Mayoral West Midlands Combined Authority Scheme (**appendix 2**) setting out the Mayor's 'Powers and Functions' to deliver the West Midlands Devolution Deal, and in doing so, agrees that the Mayoral Scheme be consulted upon and recommends the same to Council
- (5) That Cabinet is satisfied with the content and recommends to Council, the approval of the West Midlands Devolution Deal (appendix 4)
- (6) That Cabinet agrees to receive a future report containing the draft Mayoral West Midlands Combined Authority 'Powers and Functions' Order
- (7) That Cabinet agrees, subject to the terms of an agreement, to underwrite one seventh of Birmingham City Council's revenue account losses arising from its role as Accountable Body for the West Midlands Collective Investment Fund ('CIF') until such time that the West Midlands Combined Authority is able to borrow funds for non-transportation purposes in its own right. This would support early implementation of the CIF (see paragraph 6.4 of the report)

To recommend to Council

- (1) That the Mayoral Governance Review (appendix 1) be approved
- (2) That the draft West Midlands Mayoral 'Elections' Order (appendix 3) establishing the position of Mayor and enabling elections to occur in 2017, be approved subject to recommendation (3) of Cabinet
- (3) That the draft Mayoral West Midlands Combined Authority Scheme (appendix 2) setting out the Mayor's 'Powers and Functions' to deliver the West Midlands Devolution Deal, be approved and that the Mayoral Scheme be consulted upon

(4)	That the West Midlands Devolution Deal (appendix 4) be approved
The meeting terminated at 5.00pm	
	Chair:
	Date: