

Cabinet minutes

Wednesday 5 February 2014 at 6.00 p.m.

in Conference Room 2 at the Council House, Walsall

Present

Councillor Bird	Leader of the Council
Councillor A. Andrew	Deputy Leader and Regeneration and Transport
Councillor R. Andrew	Children's services
Councillor I. Shires	Community engagement and voluntary sector
Councillor Arif	Environment
Councillor Ali	Public health and protection
Councillor Towe	Resources
Councillor McCracken	Social care

3078 Apology

An apology for non-attendance was submitted on behalf of Councillor Harris.

3079 Minutes

Resolved

That the minutes of the meetings held on 11 December 2013 and 15 January 2014 copies having been sent to each member of the Cabinet be approved and signed as correct records.

3080 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3081 Local Government (Access to Information) Act, 1985

Resolved

That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the items set out in the private part of the agenda for the reasons set out therein and Section 100A of the Local Government Act, 1972.

3082 **Petitions**

The Cabinet noted the schedule of petitions:

(see annexed)

The following petition was submitted from Councillor Harrison:

- Glastonbury Crescent – speed calming: Consideration of a zebra crossing, 20 mph speed limit, chicanes and roadside speed indicators.

3083 **Questions**

There were no questions submitted.

At this point in the meeting, the Leader took item 17 (Borneo Street allotment land) in view of the number of public in attendance.

3084 **Borneo Street allotment land**

The Executive Director, Neighbourhoods, Jamie Morris presented the report:

(see annexed)

Mr. Morris explained the consultation already undertaken and the outcomes as set out in the report. He also explained the procedure should the recommendations be approved.

At this point, the Leader agreed to allow the following local residents to address the Cabinet on this matter:

Robert Piggott and Joan Parker Moore – against the recommendations
Andrew Pincher – for the recommendations

Mr. Piggott of Borneo Street said that he was against the recommendations as he considered the proposals, which would cost £48,000, to be of benefit to only two residents when over 50 allotment holders were affected. He added that the allotment holders were already making compromises with regard to access for emergency vehicles. Mr. Piggott also contended that providing off-road parking would not reduce congestion and concluded that only 1% of 186 residents in Borneo Street would benefit.

Mr. Pincher of Borneo Street spoke in favour of the recommendations and said that the number of cars parked in the street meant that he was unable to park near to his property and that the parking situation had not been helped by the provision of double yellow lines. He commented that 83 keys had been issued for the Borneo Street allotment site. He said that the access requested related to 2 ft. of land on a route already used as a vehicle path. Mr. Pincher referred to the report which indicated that additional land would be cleared for allotment use.

Cabinet members discussed the report and representations during which time it was noted that the occupants of Nos. 2 and 4 Borneo Street had previously enjoyed right of access which had been removed sometime in the past. It was also confirmed that the land being used to facilitate the access was not used as allotments and that additional allotment provision in the borough was being investigated.

In response to a question from Councillor A. Andrew, the Head of Law, Mr. Portman, advised that the leases held by allotment holders had not all been signed for a number of years. Accordingly, the Leader instructed officers to ensure that the leases were signed within the next 3 months and that should this not be done, a report be submitted to Cabinet which suggested ways to remedy the situation.

It was **moved** by Councillor Ali, duly seconded and:

Resolved

- (1) That Cabinet authorises officers to progress a formal planning application for the proposed works for proposal 4, as set out in paragraphs 4.13 and 4.14 of the report, followed by the submission of an application to the Secretary of State for consent to remove the existing access to the site from the statutory allotment allocation.
- (2) That Cabinet authorises officers to serve 12 months notice to terminate the 1995 lease with East Walsall Local Management Association (EWLMA) in order to negotiate a new lease in line with the changes to the allotment site as a result of the proposals and to bring the terms of the old lease up to date.
- (3) That, subject to (1) and (2) above, Cabinet authorises officers to grant a license to the residents of numbers 2 and 4 Borneo Street granting shared vehicular access rights across the access road (the former allotment land) to access the rear of their gardens for the purposes of parking.
- (4) That, subject to points (1) and (2) above, Cabinet authorises officers to grant a licence to EWLMA for the proposed shared access with 2 and 4 Borneo Street.
- (5) That Cabinet approve the Scheme of Works set out in Appendix A of the report.

- (6) That authority be delegated to the Head of Clean and Green Services to amend, add to, or delete from the proposed Scheme of Works, as necessary and having regard for consultation responses, officer recommendations and the planning application process, providing any changes required are contained within the overall £50,000 capital allocation.

3085 Forward plan

The forward plan as at 13 January 2014 was submitted:

(see annexed)

Resolved

That the forward plan be noted.

3086 Corporate Asset Management Plan 2014-2019

Councillor A. Andrew presented the report:

(see annexed)

Resolved

That the governance arrangements, strategies and processes contained within the Corporate Asset Management Plan 2014-2019 be endorsed

3087 Walsall Local Plan – review of Local Development Scheme

Councillor A. Andrew presented the report:

(see annexed)

Resolved

That the amended Local Development Scheme set out in the report and in the appendix, be approved, in accordance with Section 15 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

3088 **Walsall Wood Football Club – lease of land**

Councillor A. Andrew presented the report:

(see annexed)

Resolved

- (1) That approval be given to the granting of a lease in excess of 25 years (up to a maximum term as required by the grant offer) to Walsall Wood Football Club subject to:
 - grant funding being secured which contains a condition that a 25 year plus lease term is required
 - the Club satisfying any other conditions attached to the grant funding offer and
 - the Club obtaining planning permission (if required) for the proposed works.
- (2) That authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Regeneration to approve the terms for the lease once he is satisfied the requirements of the recommendation above are met.

3089 **Education capital programme – further schemes**

Councillor A. Andrew presented the report:

(see annexed)

Resolved

- (1) That Cabinet approves the schemes, subject to confirmation of an appropriate school contribution, and budgets set out in Appendix B of this report – including permission to seek tenders and appoint contractors to undertake the work identified.
- (2) That authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Regeneration Services in consultation with the relevant portfolio holder authority to award contracts (including authorising execution/signature of the contract and ancillary documents) to the most suitable contractors having regard to Best Value for the works/services as set out.
- (3) That the option to use an appropriate form of procurement and contracting arrangements determined by the Head of Property Services to provide the most efficient and value for money means of delivering the projects, be approved. This shall include consideration of traditional procurement and EU compliant frameworks available to local authorities.

3090 Electricity supply contract for Council buildings, public lighting and traffic signals

Councillor A. Andrew presented the report:

(see annexed)

Resolved

- (1) That the Executive Director - Regeneration in consultation with the portfolio holder for Regeneration and Transport be delegated authority to:
 - (a) to enter into an agreement with the Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation ("YPO") to access the YPO flexible purchasing 4-year framework contract for electricity and
 - (b) to contract with the preferred supplier, Npower, for the period from 1 April 2015 – 31 March 2019 and to sign or authorise sealing of any deeds, contracts and other related documents within the existing budget.
- (2) That Cabinet note the impending increase in electricity costs due to the introduction of the Electricity Market Reform (EMR) and the actions being taken to mitigate against this rise.

3091 Statutory compliance, repair and maintenance contract

Councillor A. Andrew presented the report and informed Cabinet that the recommendation had been amended in order to provide more clarity to the decision:

(see annexed)

Councillor Andrew **moved** the recommendation as amended which was seconded and:

Resolved

That authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Regeneration, in consultation with the portfolio holder for Regeneration and Transport to award contracts to successful suppliers, selected upon completion of the procurement process, for the provision of statutory, compliance, repair and maintenance contracts for mechanical, electrical, fire alarm, portable appliance and fixed wire testing, water hygiene, lifts and air conditioning services to Council owned and managed properties and to sign or authorise sealing of any deeds contracts and other related documents.

3092 Parking enforcement – extension of contract

Councillor A. Andrew presented the report:

(see annexed)

Resolved

- (1) That approval be given to an extension of the existing parking enforcement contractual arrangements with APCOA Parking (UK) Ltd until 30 June 2014, or such other later date as is necessary to conclude the procurement of a new contract.
- (2) That authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Neighbourhood Services in consultation with the portfolio holder for Regeneration and Transport, to accept tenders and award the contracts for parking enforcement and to authorise the signing or sealing of any deeds, contracts and other related documents in relation to such services, providing tender prices remain within available service budgets.

3093 Housing Renewal Assistance policy 2014-18

Councillor A. Andrew presented the report:

(see annexed)

Resolved to recommend to Council

- (1) That the Housing Renewal Assistance Policy 2014-2018 as contained in Appendix A of this report with the commencement dates as listed in the Policy document, be adopted and published.
- (2) That funds returned to the Council through the land charging process for all grants and loans continue to be made available for future private sector housing renewal assistance.

3094 The future of the school estate in Walsall

Rose Collinson, Interim Executive Director, Children's services presented the report:

(see annexed)

Resolved

- (1) That Cabinet note the key statutory requirements for the Council and intent to consult stakeholders on the future vision and ambition for the school estate in Walsall.

- (2) That Cabinet approve the principles and approach for the development of the school estate as at paragraph 3.1.4 of the report.
- (3) That Cabinet approve the commencement of the statutory consultation process for the proposal to enlarge the identified primary schools for September 2015 as specified in the report and approve the related design process and related costs.

3095 Corporate Budget Plan and Treasury Management and Investment Strategy 2014/15

Councillor Towe presented the report:

(see annexed)

Councillor Towe informed Cabinet of a revision to the recommendation as follows:

“That the proposal to close the Walsall Museum building with a saving of £70,000 (Annex 10c, page 147) be removed from the budget for 2014/15 whilst the service reviews all options available. The removal of £70,000 to be funded as a one-off in 2014/15 from reserves.”

At this point the Leader took the opportunity to thank all those involved for their work to produce the budget for this year.

Resolved

- (1) That Cabinet note:

Revenue

- (a) That at the time of despatch of this report, the precepting authorities (fire and police) had not formally notified the authority of their final council tax levels. (The Council has been advised that they will both be approved following meetings scheduled for early February, final figures will therefore be provided prior to or at the Council meeting of 27 February 2014).
- (b) That at the time of despatch of this report, the levy authorities (Environment Agency and Centro) had not formally notified the authority of their final demand. Current estimates have been used for Centro and Environment Agency based on informal communication, but these are subject to formal approval. (The final levies are expected to be approved early February, and will be included within the final papers to Council).
- (c) That the aggregate income includes the Council tax freeze grants for 2011/12 and 2014/15.

- (d) That Council on 13 January 2014 approved the continuation of the current localised Council tax support scheme into 2014/15, which has been reflected in the council tax base of 61,523.32 band D equivalents, and is reflected in this report.

(2) That Cabinet approve:

Social Care budgetary pressures

- (a) The delegated action being taken by the Interim Executive Director for Social Care and Inclusion as set out in section 3.4 to address budgetary overspends arising in 2013/14 to ensure a balanced budget for 2014/15 and beyond.
- (b) Actions as set out in section 3.5, subject to appropriate consultation being undertaken and noting that further reports will be brought back to Cabinet for approval.
- (c) Actions to be taken as set out in section 3.6, which require an executive approval, subject to any consultation requirements.

Children's Services budgetary pressures

- (d) Investment of £512,622 in 2014/15 as set out in section 3.7.

Revenue Budget 2014/15

- (e) The Walsall council draft net council tax requirement for 2014/15 of £86.76m – with no increase in Council tax.
- (f) The budget plan and all the recommendations, proposals and changes to policies and procedures set out in the plan, and further delegates authority to the relevant executive directors to implement the same, subject to Council approving the budget on 27 February.
- (g) That delegated authority be given to the Chief Finance Officer to negotiate and finalise employers pension contributions and the financing thereof, in relation to the three year pensions evaluation commencing 2014/15.
- (h) That delegated authority be given to the Chief Finance Officer to make any necessary amendments, in consultation with the portfolio holder for finance and personnel and the Leader, to take account of the final levies and precepts which have not yet been notified; any changes arising from final technical guidance or legislation on the budget, and to make any necessary amendments to the statutory determinations and Council tax bands to take account of those changes and the resulting final analysis of the budget for 2014/15 and for amendments to those to be submitted and therefore recommended to Council at its meeting on 27 February 2014.

Capital Programme 2014/15

- (i) The capital programme for 2014/15 of £40.67m, comprising mainstream (Council funded) capital of £17.04m and externally funded schemes of £23.63m, subject to Council approving the Council's borrowing requirement and capital expenditure on 27 February. Further to this, the leasing programme totals an additional £3.66m of capital expenditure in 2014/15.
- (3) That Cabinet approve and recommend the following to Council, subject to receipt of final precepts and levies, receipt of the final settlement, technical/legislative guidance and final specific grant allocations (*substitute figures and resolution to be provided to Council to take into account these changes*) and subject to the following amendment:
- (i) That the proposal to close the Walsall Museum building with a saving of £70,000 (Annex 10c, page 147) be removed from the budget for 2014/15 whilst the service reviews all options available. The removal of £70,000 to be funded as a one-off in 2014/15 from reserves.
- (ii) **Revenue**
- (a) The recommendations of the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) in respect of the robustness of the estimates made for the purposes of the budget calculations and the adequacy of reserves be approved, including the levels of central contingency and an opening general reserves of not less than £11.2m, as set out in Annex 3.
- (b) The (estimated) levies below for outside bodies and Cabinet approve that the final figures be substituted for these provisional ones once they are available at the Council meeting on 27 February 2014. (An estimate has been used within this report based on informal notification from the authorities).

LEVY	AMOUNT (£)
West Midlands Passenger Transport Authority	13,598,024
Environment agency	72,406

- (c) The following statutory determinations (references are to the Local Government Finance Act, 1992 as amended), and subject to any final changes arising from receipt of final precepts and levies, receipt of the final settlement, technical/legislative guidance and final specific grant allocations, and Cabinet approve that these will be substituted at the Council meeting on 27 February 2014 for the final figures:
- I. **£635,201,842** being the aggregate gross expenditure, which the council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(2) (a) to (f) of the Act.
- II. **£548,437,965** being the aggregate income which the council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) (a) to (d) of the Act.

III. **£86,763,877** being the amount, by which the aggregate at (c) (I) above exceeds the aggregate at (c) (II), calculated by the council in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act, as its council tax requirement for the year.

IV. **£1,410.26** being the amount at (c) (III) above, divided by the council tax base of **61,523.32**, calculated by the council in accordance with Section 31B of the Act, as the basic amount of its council tax for the year (average council tax at band D).

V. Valuation bands

Being amounts given by multiplying the amount at (c) (iv) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5 (1) of the Local Government Act 1992, is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation band D, calculated by the council in accordance with Section 30 and 36 of the Act as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwelling listed in different valuation bands.

A	B	C	D
£940.17	£1,096.87	£1,253.56	£1,410.26
E	F	G	H
£1,723.65	£2,037.04	£2,350.43	£2,820.51

- (d) The precept from the Fire and Rescue Authority and the precept for the Police and Crime Commissioner, issued to the Council in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act, 1992, for each of the categories of dwelling shown below and Cabinet approve that the final figures be substituted once they are available at the Council meeting on 27 February 2014.

PRECEPTING AUTHORITY	VALUATION BANDS			
	A	B	C	D
Police And Crime Commissioner				
	£68.29	£79.67	£91.05	£102.43
	£125.19	£147.95	£170.72	£204.86
Fire & Rescue				
	£35.21	£41.08	£46.95	£52.82
	£64.55	£76.29	£88.03	£105.63

- (e) That having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at (c) (v) and (d) above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30 (2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the amounts of council tax for 2014/15 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below and Cabinet approve that the final figures be substituted once the final precepts are available at the Council meeting on 27 February 2014.

A	B	C	D
£1,043.67	£1,217,62	£1,391.56	£1,565.51
E	F	G	H
£1,913.39	£2,261.28	£2,609.18	£3,131.00

- (f) That notice be given of the Council tax within twenty one days of it being set by publishing details of the same in the “Walsall Advertiser” newspaper circulating in the Authority’s area.
- (g) That the Chief Financial Officer be instructed to take all necessary action in relation to council tax, community charge and national non-domestic rates, including, where appropriate, the signing of all documents, the giving of notices and the taking of necessary steps to ensure collection thereof.
- (h) The approval of the budget plan, including the opening cash limits, savings and investment proposals set out in the annexes.
- (i) That, pursuant to Section 52ZB and 52ZC of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, the relevant basic amount of council tax for the Council is not excessive in relation to determining whether a referendum is required.

(iii) **Capital**

That the draft capital programme set out in the following tables be approved bearing in mind the principle that unless affordable from within current resources, specific projects funded by unsupported borrowing will not be commenced until a payback agreement is in place. Schemes funded from grant will commence when final allocations are published. Reserve list items will only commence should funding become available during the financial year.

CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2014/15	
MAINSTREAM (COUNCIL FUNDED) SCHEMES	ESTIMATED VALUE £
<i>Prior Year Approvals</i>	
Walsall Arboretum – Illuminated Park	108,000
Willenhall Memorial Park	60,000
Primark / Coop Development	5,527,113
<i>New Capital Bids</i>	
ICT Essential Maintenance – Virtual Server infrastructure	74,000
Increase Council Internet Security	14,500
ICT Essential Software License changes	46,000
Improvements to ICT security (Protection of council information)	18,000
ICT requirements to cater for blending transitioned services	445,680
Social IT Systems Review & Enhancement	550,000
Replenish Smarter Workplaces capital pot	152,200
New Car Park Provision – Lucknow Road	168,000
Highway Maintenance Programme	1,700,000

Public Lighting 'Invest to save' for replacement LED lighting	250,000
Traffic signals infrastructure – conversion to LED signals	45,000
Aids & Adaptations – statutory element	400,000
Supporting Independence & Preventative adaptations	500,000
Health through warmth and related retro-fit schemes	500,000
Shop Maintenance	120,000
Replacement Development Management, Building Control & Land Charge ICT system	98,700
Replace the heating & ventilation system within the First Stop Shop	100,000
Replace the existing heating & ventilation system in link block	100,000
Solar PV Panels for Civic Centre	425,000
Walsall Market – permanent relocation	250,000
Retained Housing Land Inspection/Maintenance of LSVT sites	50,000
Remodelling of Rushall Primary School and Education Development Centre	3,000,000
Memorial Safety Management in Walsall cemeteries	80,000
Libraries Universal Digital Offer – a 21 st century Public Library service	67,540
Broadway West Playing Fields	75,000
Forest Arts Centre – Renovation of Sports Hall	198,800
Capital Investment Earmarked Reserves	
Funding to support essential works including Health & Safety, and other projects that cannot be guaranteed at start of year	1,000,000
Capital Contingency – provision to manage unforeseen expenditure	669,413
Provision for match funded external schemes	250,000
Total	17,042,946

NON-MAINSTREAM CAPITAL PROGRAMME – SCHEMES FUNDED FROM EXTERNAL SOURCES 2014/15	
NON MAINSTREAM SCHEMES	ESTIMATED VALUE £
Basic Need	1,160,396
Devolved Formula Capital	564,917
Capital Maintenance	2,784,688
Universal Infant Free School Meals Capital	697,816
Highways Maintenance / Additional Local Funding	184,000
LTP Highway Maintenance Programme	1,832,000
A461 Corridor Highway Improvement Scheme / Major Transport Schemes Programme	155,000
Disabled Facilities Grant	1,632,000
Integrated Transport Block / Local Transport Plan 2014/15	2,119,000
Black Country Business Property Investment Programme	4,562,173
Darlaston Strategic Development Area Access	7,144,000
Community Capital Capacity Grant	797,000
Total	23,632,990

LEASING PROGRAMME 2014/15	
PORTFOLIO	EXPENDITURE £
Environment portfolio	3,653,104
Total	3,653,104

CAPITAL PROGRAMME RESERVE LIST ITEMS 2014/15	
NON MAINSTREAM SCHEMES	ESTIMATED VALUE £
Aids & Adaptations	600,000
Supporting Independence & Preventative Adaptations	500,000
Health Through Warmth & Related Retro-Fit Schemes	500,000
Traffic Signals Infrastructure – replace obsolete control equipment	200,000
Promotion of Community Health & Safety	240,000
Retained Housing Land Inspection & Maintenance of LSVT sites	50,000
Residential Parking – Construction of new residential parking facilities (verge parking)	250,000
Carbon Management Programme	280,000
Open Space associated with retained housing land	25,000
Enable the Local History Centre & New Art Gallery to develop their collections	63,000
Funding to support essential works including Health & Safety, and other projects that cannot be guaranteed at start of year	500,000
Total	3,208,000

(iv) **Treasury Management**

- (a) That the 2014/15 treasury management and investment strategy document set out in Section 2, including the council's borrowing requirement and the adoption of the prudential indicators set out in Annex 6, be approved.
- (b) That decisions to effect movements between conventional borrowing and other long term liabilities, such as leases, be delegated to the Chief Finance Officer.
- (c) That decisions to use capital receipts or unsupported borrowing within the framework of approved prudential indicators be delegated to the Chief Finance Officer.

3096 **Social value policy**

Councillor Towe presented the report:

(see annexed)

Resolved

- (1) That the draft Social Value Policy attached at Appendix A be accepted and approved for use.
- (2) That officers further explore and develop those opportunities with the potential for delivering wider Social Value benefits through its commissioning activities, where they are consistent with the Council's priorities to improve the economic, social and environmental well being of Walsall, as set out within section 4 and at no additional cost to the Council as a result.

3097 Corporate financial performance

Councillor Towe presented the report:

(see annexed)

Resolved

- (1) That the improved current revenue forecast position as at 31 March 2014 of £1.93m (equivalent to 2.3% of the net Council tax requirement), be noted.
- (2) That Cabinet note that action is being taken to manage the cost pressures arising (see section 3.5 of the report) and that progress will continue to be reported to Cabinet.
- (3) That Cabinet note the current transfer of windfall income which is maintained centrally to manage any unexpected pressures which may arise over and above normal budgetary provision.
- (4) That Cabinet note the forecast underspend on the Council funded element of the capital programme, after re-phasing, of £580k, to be utilised to support the funding of the 2014/15 capital programme.
- (5) That the amendments to the capital programme as set out in section 3.9 of the report be noted and approved.
- (6) That the financial health indicators for quarter 3 summarised in Appendix 1 of the report, be noted.

3098 Walsall Crisis Support scheme

Councillor Towe presented the report:

(see annexed)

Resolved

- (1) That the adoption of the amended Walsall Crisis Support Scheme for 2014/15, be approved, thereby making explicit that government funding to help people in crisis will be used on a combination of staffing to provide direct practical help to Walsall residents and their families and the provision of direct awards to individuals where this is necessary and appropriate.
- (2) That the Executive Director (Resources) be given delegated authority, in consultation with the Cabinet member for Resources, to agree alternative uses for government funding for people in crisis beyond that already identified in the Walsall Crisis Support Scheme should the need arise during the year. Any such changes to be reported through to Cabinet and to Corporate Scrutiny and Performance Panel as soon as possible after they have been made.
- (3) That a further report be received on the provision of the Walsall Crisis Support Scheme from April 2015 during 2014/15 once the implications of the funding position has been assessed.

3099 Performance management framework

Councillor Towe presented the report:

(see annexed)

Resolved

That the use of the performance management framework for approved for all services.

3100 Model contract for supply of ICT goods and services

Councillor Towe presented the report:

(see annexed)

Resolved

That authority be delegated to the Executive Director, Resources in consultation with the portfolio holder for Resources to sign a model contract which will allow the Council to choose to transact with Specialist Computer Centres under extended Sprint ii terms and conditions for a period of up to 4 years.

3101 **Better care fund**

Councillor McCracken presented the report:

(see annexed)

In presenting the report, Councillor McCracken advised of an amended recommendation which addressed the possible need for minor revisions to the programme.

Councillor McCracken **moved** the amended recommendation which was duly seconded and:

Resolved

- (1) That the allocation of the Better Care Fund for 2014/15 and 2015/16, as set out in paragraphs 3.6 and 3.7 of the report, be approved.
- (2) That, given the partnership nature of the programme which may require changes to the allocation, authority be delegated to the Executive Director, Social Care and Inclusion, in consultation with the portfolio holder for Social Care, to make minor variations to the allocation.

3102 **Care quality**

The report of the Health Scrutiny and Performance Panel, together with the portfolio holder report were submitted:

(see annexed)

Resolved

That the response and issues contained within the report be noted.

3103 **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.

Summary of item considered in private session

3104 Sale of land at Hollyhedge Lane

At its meeting on 24 April 2013, Cabinet resolved to sell the freehold interest of the Council's site at Hollyhedge Lane to a development Company on specified terms to facilitate the development of an affordable housing scheme. Subsequently, other interest has been received in the site and as a consequence, Cabinet reconsidered its resolution of 24 April and decided to no longer proceed with the sale on the basis that it did not now satisfy the requirement to obtain 'best consideration'. The Cabinet noted the proposal to market the site and delegated authority to the Executive Director for Regeneration in consultation with the portfolio holder for Regeneration and Transport to approve the terms for the disposal of the freehold interest in the site."

The meeting terminated at 7.25 p.m.