

Cabinet

1 March 2013

Monday, 11 March 2013 Room 0.02, Ground Floor, Quadrant, The Silverlink North, Cobalt Business Park, North Tyneside **commencing at 6.00 pm**

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1. Apologies for Absence

To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.

2. To Receive any Declarations of Interest

You are invited to declare any registerable and/or non-registerable interests in matters appearing on the agenda, and the nature of that interest.

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Minutes

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 11 February 2013 (previously circulated).

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4. Report of the Young Mayor

To receive a verbal report on the latest activities of the Young Mayor and Young Cabinet.

5. Reports from Scrutiny Committees

To consider any reports submitted by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and any of its Sub-Committees.

6. Finance Items

2012/13 Financial Management Report to 31 January 2013 (All Wards)

To consider a report detailing the forecast budget monitoring position for the General Fund, Housing Revenue Account and Schools' Finance as at 31 January 2013; the Council's Capital Plan spend to 31 January 2013 and the financing of the Plan to the end of the year; and seeking approval for re-programming any variations within the Capital Plan.

(Annex 1 and the appendices to the report are enclosed with the agenda papers under separate cover).

7. Key (and non-key) decisions:

(a) Introduction of a Complaint Handling Policy and Revision to Corporate Complaints Procedure (All Wards)

To seek approval for a proposed overarching policy for good principles of complaints handling, and for amendments to the Authority's Corporate Complaints procedure in relation to some Housing complaints to fulfil the requirements of the Housing Ombudsman scheme that comes into effect on 1 April 2013.

(b) Community Right to Challenge (All Wards)

To consider a report on proposed principles to be adopted for the operation of the Community Right to Challenge in North Tyneside following the introduction of relevant regulations and statutory guidance, and to seek suitable authorisation to take this forward.

(c) *Local Transport Plan 2013/14 Capital Expenditure Settlement (All Wards)

To inform Cabinet of the settlement for Local Transport Plan Capital Expenditure for 2013-15 and to seek approval for the proposed implementation programme covering the financial year 2013/14.

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*River Tyne Energy Centre – Stage 2 ERDF bid for a Business Incubation Centre and Research and Development Centre (Riverside Ward)

To seek authority to progress with the submission of a Stage 2 European Regional Development Fund bid for a Business Incubation Centre and Research and Development facility, in the office buildings at the former Swan Hunter site (now known as Jupiter PaRC@Swans).

(e) *Land at the Junction of Trewitt Road and Victoria Terrace, Whitley Bay (Whitley Bay Ward)

To agree a response to the concerns raised by Finance Sub Committee at its meeting on 21 November 2012 regarding the Council's policy to sell off acquired dwellings.

(f) Determination of School Admission Arrangements 2014 (All Wards)

To consider and determine the proposed admission arrangements for all Community Schools in North Tyneside for the 2014/2015 academic year.

(g) School Forum Constitution (All Wards)

To consider a report on the changes required to North Tyneside's Schools Forum constitution.

(h) *Final Transfer Scheme for Public Health (All Wards)

To consider a report setting out the Final Transfer Scheme for Public Health and arrangements for the signing-off of the Scheme before the end of March 2013.

(i) Amendments to Fairer Contributions Policy (All Wards)

To consider a report seeking Cabinet's approval to a number of minor amendments to the Council's existing Fairer Contributions Policy

(j) Local Welfare Provision (All Wards)

To seek Cabinet's approval to implement Local Welfare Provision to replace the administration of Community Care Grants and Crisis Loans by the Department for Work and Pensions.

(k) Procurement Strategy 2013-2017 (All Wards)

To seek Cabinet's approval to endorse a new Procurement Strategy for 2013-17.

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(I) *Contract Agreement for the supply of a Multiple Maintenance Service (All Wards)

To seek Cabinet's approval to undertake a tendering exercise for the provision of a multiple maintenance service across the borough

8. Date and Time of Next Meeting(s)

Monday 18 March 2013 at 12.30 pm (Extraordinary Meeting) Monday 8 April 2013 at 6.00pm (Ordinary Meeting)

Note: In accordance with the provisions of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012, notice is given that the following items have not been subject to 28 days notice:

- *item 7(c) above: The Implementation Programme needs approval before the start of the 2013/14 Financial Year.
- *item 7(d) above: This will enable the Stage 2 bid to progress through the DCLG appraisal process, as soon as possible.
- *item 7(e) above: Cabinet need to fully consider the matter, in the light of Ward Member concerns expressed.
- *item 7(h) above: This is due to required information becoming available and the need to submit the report to Cabinet as soon as practicable.

Circulated to Members of the Cabinet: -

Mrs L Arkley (Elected Mayor)
Councillor E Hodson
Councillor D Lilly
Councillor P Mason
Councillor L Miller
Councillor J Wallace (Deputy Mayor)
Councillor G Westwater

Young and Older People's Representatives and Partners of North Tyneside Council:

Isaac Sidney, Young Mayor
Alma Caldwell, Age UK
Maurya Cushlow, NHS North of the Tyne
Steve Neill, North Tyneside Area Commander, Northumbria Police
Lisa Gardiner, North Tyneside VODA
Dean Titterton – North Tyneside Voluntary and Community Sector
Jan Kuiken – Business Representative