

Decisions of the meeting of the CABINET held
at 9.30am on Tuesday 8 October 2013 at the
Civic Centre, Stone Cross, Northallerton

Present

Councillor M S Robson (In the Chair)

Councillor N Knapton
B Phillips

Councillor Mrs S Shepherd

Also in Attendance

Councillor P Bardon
K Billings
D Blades
J Coulson
B Griffiths
Mrs J Griffiths
K G Hardisty
D Hugill
R Kirk

Councillor Mrs C Patmore
M J Prest
M Rigby
Mrs I Sanderson
T Swales
Mrs J Watson
A Wake
D A Webster

(An apology for absence was received from Councillor P R Wilkinson)

CA.41

FEES AND CHARGES – SCRAP METAL LICENCES

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report considered establishing a new charge in relation to issuing licences for scrap metal sites and collectors.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To take account of the requirements under the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013.

THE DECISION:

That Council be asked to approve the fees as set out in Annex A of the report for licensing scrap metal site and collector licences.

CA.42

NATIONAL PARKS GOVERNANCE REVIEW

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report asked for comments on a proposed National Parks Governance Review that affected the North York Moors National Park.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To respond to the Government's review of governance arrangements for National Parks in order to increase local accountability.

THE DECISION:

That Council be asked to support the proposed changes to representation on the North York Moors National Park.

CA.43

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT

THE DECISION:

That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public were excluded from the meeting during consideration of the item of business at minute no CA.44 on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as the Cabinet was satisfied that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.

CA.44

CHANGE OF EMPLOYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report sought support of a decision taken by the Leader of the Council under delegated powers to change the employment arrangements for a member of personnel.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To comply with the Council's Constitution.

THE DECISION:

That Council be asked to support the Leader's decision as outlined in paragraph 1.5 of the report.

The meeting closed at 10.30am.

Leader of the Council

AGENDA ITEM NO:

**(CA.45 to CA.47)
Decisions taken under Cabinet
authority to take effect on 21 October 2013)**

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CA.45

MINUTES

THE DECISION:

That the decisions of the meeting held on 3 September 2013 (CA.24 – CA.40),
previously circulated, be signed as a correct record.

CA.46

CHRISTMAS PARKING

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report sought approval in connection with potential free parking at Christmas in
the Council's car parks.

Alternative options considered:

Members wished Cabinet to consider offering free parking on alternative days other
than Thursday and additional days leading up to Christmas.

The reason for the decision:

Cabinet was satisfied that free parking at Christmas would be of great assistance to
the residents and visitors wishing to utilise this scheme at this time.

THE DECISION:

That charges be waived in the Council's car parks during the whole of each Thursday during December and between 3pm on Christmas Eve and 8am on 2 January over the 2013 Christmas period and in future years.

CA.47

REVIEW OF HAMBLETON LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report sought agreement of the scope, programme and resources for a partial review of the Hambleton Local Development Framework.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

Cabinet was satisfied that the review of the Local Development Framework was a priority as some policies were being viewed as out-of-step with needs of the District or inconsistent with national policy.

THE DECISION:

That:-

- (1) the Partial Plan Review be agreed in accordance with the scope and programme outlined in the report;
- (2) £40,000 from the One-Off Fund be approved for the studies identified in the report as required to support the review;
- (3) the current vacant Planning Policy Officer post (0.4 Full Time Equivalent) be increased to a full time post for a fixed period of 2 years and £47,000 be provided for this from the One-Off Fund; and
- (4) the granting of planning permission for Phases 2 and 3 housing allocation sites as a means of addressing any under delivery of housing and to maintain a continuous 5 year supply of deliverable sites be subject to a further report to Cabinet.

The meeting closed at 10.30am.

Leader of the Council