

Decisions of the meeting of the CABINET held
at 9.30am on Tuesday 29 November 2011 at
the Civic Centre, Stone Cross, Northallerton

Present

Councillor N W Huxtable (In the Chair)

Councillor	R Kirk	Councillor	T Swales
	B Phillips		P R Wilkinson
	M S Robson		

Also in Attendance

Councillor	D E Adamson	Councillor	A W Hall
	K Billings		K G Hardisty
	Mrs C S Cookman		J Noone
	B Griffiths		M J Prest
	Mrs J A Griffiths		M Rigby

CA.37

COUNCIL PERFORMANCE REPORT 2011/12 – QUARTER 2

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report provided an update on the budgetary position of the Council (Revenue, Capital and Reserve Funds) at the end of September 2011 and reported progress on performance against the Council Business Plan.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To reflect changing priorities whilst maintaining the overall integrity of the financial strategy.

THE DECISION:

That Council be recommended to:-

- (1) determine the adjustment to the revenue budget outlook referred to in section 3 of the report;
- (2) pay the grants referred to in sections 2 and 4 of the report into the Service Improvement Reserve when received;
- (3) fund the schemes referred to in section 4 of the report from the Service Improvement Reserve;

- (4) note the position on the capital programme referred to in section 6 of the report and approve the roll forward of a budget of £63,000 to 2012/13; and
- (5) note the position on the reserve funds referred to in section 7 of the report.

CA.38

**DEVELOPMENT CONTRIBUTION CALCULATION MECHANISMS FOR THE
BEDALE FOOT AND CYCLEWAY SCHEME – LDF PROPOSAL BC3**

Bedale, Leeming Bar and Leeming Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report proposed a method of calculating contributions from developers towards the delivery of the Bedale Footpath and Cycleway – Proposal BC3 in the Local Development Framework (LDF) Allocations DPD. The methodology was similar to that approved by Cabinet in November 2010 for contributions towards the North Northallerton Link Road (NNLR) scheme.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

Cabinet was satisfied that the proposed approach would be a robust and ratified mechanism to calculate developer contributions.

THE DECISION:

That Council be recommended to adopt the approach set out in Annex A of the report as an interim arrangement for calculating contributions towards the Bedale Footpath and Cycleway and authorise its use for Development Management purposes for the period prior to adoption of relevant contribution mechanisms such as CIL.

The meeting closed at 10.15am.

Leader of the Council

AGENDA ITEM NO:

**(CA.39 to CA.45)
Decisions taken under Cabinet
authority to take effect on 12 December 2011)**

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CA.39 **MINUTES**

THE DECISION:

That the decisions of the meeting held on 18 October 2011 (CA.28 – CA.36),
previously circulated, be signed as a correct record.

CA.40 **REFERRALS TO CABINET FROM AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report sought consideration of recommendations from the Audit and
Governance Committee.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To take account of the recommendations from the Audit and Governance
Committee.

THE DECISION:

That:-

(1) the relevance and necessity of Member Champions be considered; and

- (2) the list of Outside Bodies be reviewed with a view to reducing the numbers and making savings.

CA.41

TREASURY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE – INTERIM REPORT

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report provided an update on the performance of the internal fund management team for the first half of the financial year. All fund management was carried out in-house. Annex A of the report contained details of performance.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To comply with the Treasury Management Code of Practice and the Council's Constitution.

THE DECISION:

That the investment performance of the in-house team to date be noted.

CA.42

CAPITAL PROGRAMME – 2011/12

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report sought authority to implement the following schemes, which were included in the approved capital programme for 2011-12: Thirsk Market Place resurfacing scheme; Stokesley Leisure Centre roof and cladding; Stokesley and Bedale Leisure Centres fire and intruder alarms; Hambleton, Stokesley and Bedale Leisure Centre gym equipment and World of James Herriot minor works.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To ensure the efficient use of Council resources. The schemes outlined in the Value For Money Statements were all included in the current capital programme. This report demonstrated value for money in the implementation of the individual schemes.

THE DECISION:

That the schemes detailed in paragraph 1.1 of the report and included in the attached Annexes A to E be approved for implementation.

Declarations of Interest

Councillor R Kirk declared a personal interest as a Governor of Stokesley School which has a link to Stokesley Leisure Centre and left the room during discussion and

voting on the issues relating to the Stokesley Leisure Centre roof and cladding; Stokesley and Bedale Leisure Centres fire and intruder alarms and Stokesley and Bedale Leisure Centre gym equipment.

Councillor M J Prest also declared a personal interest as a regular gym user.

CA.43

NEW HOMES BONUS

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report sought approval to a scheme for the allocation of the New Homes Bonus.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To implement a scheme which would promote housing growth.

THE DECISION:

That:-

- (1) the New Homes Bonus Scheme based on the objectives and details set out in paragraph 1.6. of the report be approved;
- (2) consultation be undertaken with the North York Moors National park Authority about the scheme design and to identify schemes which would meet these three elements and which would take place within the boundaries of the park.
- (3) consultation be undertaken with North Yorkshire County Council on the scheme design;
- (4) the percentage to be allocated under each objective for the Bonus earned for 2010/11 and paid in 2011/12 be approved as set out in Option A of Appendix 2; and
- (5) the scheme be reviewed on an annual basis and further reports be received setting out the specific projects to be funded.

CA.44

COMMUNITY ASSET TRANSFER HAMBLETON FORUM

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report provided information on progress made towards transferring the management of the Hambleton Forum to a community group.

Cabinet accepted that in any future car parking review consideration would be given to permitting parking at the Forum of more than 4 hours.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To take account of progress to date and respond to questions raised by the Forum User Group.

THE DECISION:

That:-

- (1) the strong and positive partnership that has been formed with the Forum User Group be acknowledged and the positive progress made to date be recognised;
- (2) the informal guidance previously given as set out in section 3 of Annex A of the report be confirmed;
- (3) the responses to the Forum User Group's questions be as set out in section 4 of Annex A of the report subject to amendment of the wording in relation to longer stay car parking.

Declaration of Interest

Councillor A W Hall declared a personal interest as a member of the Forum User Group

CA.45

FORWARD PLAN

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report sought approval of a Forward Plan of items for the period from December 2011 – March 2012. The plan would be updated as further items arose or other amendments became necessary.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To comply with the Council's constitution.

THE DECISION:

That the Forward Plan for the period December 2011 – March 2012 be endorsed.

The meeting closed at 10.15am.

Leader of the Council