

Decisions of the meeting of the CABINET held
at 9.30am on Tuesday 12 June 2012 at the
Civic Centre, Stone Cross, Northallerton

Present

Councillor N W Huxtable (In the Chair)

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

Also in Attendance

Councillor	R A Baker	Councillor	Mrs J Griffiths
	P Bardon		K Hardisty
	K Billings		J Noone
	Mrs C S Cookman		M Rigby
	S P Dickins		Mrs M Skilbeck
	Mrs B S Fortune		Mrs C Patmore
	B Griffiths		D A Webster

(An apology for absence was received from Councillor B Phillips)

CA.1

COMMUNITY ASSET TRANSFER HAMBLETON FORUM

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report sought consideration of the proposal to transfer the management of the Hambleton Forum to a community group and requested a decision regarding timescales for that proposal.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To take account of consultations

THE DECISION:

That Council be asked to:-

- (1) transfer the operation of the Hambleton Forum to a not for profit organisation from 1 August 2012;

- (2) provide a start up grant of £70,000 and this be funded from the Service Improvement Reserve;
- (3) lease the Council's property at the Hambleton Forum to a not for profit organisation for a 25 year period;
- (4) fund the voluntary redundancy costs of £10,500 the from the Service Improvement Reserve; and
- (5) fund the investment of £22,000 in new cinema equipment from the Council's Capital Programme.

The meeting closed at 10.45am.

Leader of the Council

AGENDA ITEM NO:

**(CA.2 to CA.9)
Decisions taken under Cabinet
authority to take effect on 25 June 2012)**

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CA.2 **MINUTES**

THE DECISION:

That the decisions of the meeting held on 17 April 2012 (CA.80 – CA.91), previously circulated, be signed as a correct record.

CA.3 **REVIEW OF SHARED SERVICES**

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report invited Cabinet to consider a proposed review of shared services. A copy of an additional Appendix 2 to the report was circulated prior to discussion.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To take account of the changing circumstances regarding the new management structure.

THE DECISION:

That the Chief Executive participates in the review for Shared Services as set out in Appendix 2 of the report.

CA.4

ENCOURAGING EMPLOYERS TO GET YOUNG PEOPLE INTO WORK

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report sought approval in principle to develop a scheme to encourage employers in Hambleton to get young people into work and to commit £100,000 as a one-off revenue fund for the scheme from the Service Improvement Reserve.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To support local economic growth within Hambleton District.

THE DECISION:

That:-

- (1) the principle of the development of the scheme in collaboration with other relevant partners be supported; and
- (2) the commitment of a one-off fund of £100,000 from the Service Improvement Reserve be supported.

CA.5

REPLACEMENT OF GENERAL WASTE VEHICLES

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

At Cabinet on 14 March 2012 approval was given to procure replacement vehicles for the collection of waste and recycling materials in two separate projects via a framework agreements. This report provided details of the outcome of the tender process for the waste vehicles.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To enable replacement of vehicles for the collection of waste and recycling materials.

THE DECISION:

That:-

- (1) approval be given to option 1 and the placing of orders for up to 11 general waste vehicles; and

- (2) the additional budget required to operate the fleet during the term of the contract be approved.

CA.6

OMBUDSMAN'S REPORT – BAGBY AIRFIELD

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report considered a report received from the Local Government Ombudsman into an investigation of a complaint about the District Council. The report considered the issues raised by the Ombudsman and the recommendations that she was making to the Council.

The Leader of the Council made a statement accepting the findings of the Ombudsman and publicly apologised to the residents of Bagby and Thirkleby for any mistake the Council had made and the distress it may have caused.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To take account of the recommendations from the Local Government Ombudsman.

THE DECISION:

That:-

- (1) a public apology be issued on behalf of the Council by the Chief Executive;
- (2) the Planning Committee consider within 3 months the latest position regarding Bagby Airfield and in particular whether a Discontinuance Order under Section 102 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 should be made; and
- (3) a sum of £5,000 be paid to each of Thirkleby and Bagby Parish Councils for projects of community benefit.

CA.7

FORWARD PLAN

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report sought approval of a Forward Plan of items for the period from July – October 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 July to October 2012 be endorsed.

CA.8

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.9 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.9

PLANNING SERVICE REVIEW

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report reviewed the structure of the Planning Service and made recommendations about how the service could be organised to deliver customer and Member expectations.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To take account of changing circumstances in order to improve the service.

THE DECISION:

That:-

- (1) the revised structure for the Planning Service as detailed in Annex C of the report be approved;
- (2) the funding for the post be approved; and
- (3) a report on the current position on Enforcement be submitted to a meeting of Cabinet in 6 months time.

The meeting closed at 10.45am.

Leader of the Council