

Decisions of the meeting of the CABINET held
at 9.30am on Tuesday 19 March 2013 at the
Civic Centre, Stone Cross, Northallerton

Present

Councillor N W Huxtable (In the Chair)

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

Also in Attendance

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| Councillor | P Bardon | Councillor | Mrs C Patmore |
| | Mrs C S Cookman | | J Prest |
| | K Billings | | M Rigby |
| | B Griffiths | | Mrs I Sanderson |
| | Mrs J Griffiths | | A Wake |
| | K G Hardisty | | D Webster |
| | N Knapton | | |

CA.73

TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY AND ANNUAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY 2013/14

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report presented for approval the proposed Treasury Management Strategy for 2013/14 – attached as Appendix 1 to the report. The Strategy also incorporated the latest requirements set out by the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) in terms of the Annual Investment Strategy.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To comply with the requirements of the Council's Constitution as recommended by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy's Code of Practice on Treasury Management 2011.

THE DECISION:

That Council be recommended to approve the Treasury Management Strategy (including the Annual Investment Strategy) for 2013/14.

The meeting closed at 10.45 am.

Leader of the Council

AGENDA ITEM NO:

**(CA.74 to CA.81)
Decisions taken under Cabinet
authority to take effect on 1 April 2013)**

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CA.74 **MINUTES**

THE DECISION:

That the decisions of the meeting held on 12 February 2013 (CA.67 – CA.72),
previously circulated, be signed as a correct record.

CA.75 **CAPITAL MONITORING REPORT – JANUARY 2013**

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report provided an update on the progress of the Capital Programme 2012/13. A full schedule of schemes was shown in Annex A of the report, together with a relevant update on the progress of each scheme. The Portfolio Holder for Resources reported that the schemes to complete in 2012/13 for Housing and Planning Services was 2 and that the schemes rolled forward to 2013/14 was 1. This resulted in a change to the budget moved to 2013/14 to £121,000.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To monitor the Capital Programme and ensure that it is being delivered.

THE DECISION:

That the progress to date against the Capital Programme for 2012/13 be noted.

CA.76

CAPITAL PROGRAMME SCHEMES

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

Annually in March Cabinet approved the Capital Programme Schemes for the coming financial year, this was informed by the 10 year Capital Programme. This year the process was the same, however, a large number of schemes were not identified on the approved 10 year Capital Programme. The reasons for this were due to the demise of shared services and external funding opportunities.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

Cabinet was satisfied that this would be an efficient use of Council resources and demonstrated value for money in the implementation of the individual schemes.

THE DECISION:

That:-

- (1) the schemes detailed in Annex A of the report be approved for implementation;
- (2) the 10 year Capital Programme be approved; and
- (3) a further update report be submitted to Cabinet in April 2013.

CA.77

COUNCIL PERFORMANCE REPORT 2012/13 – QUARTER 3

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 December 2012 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:-

- (1) the adjustment to the revenue budget outlook referred to in section 3 of the report be approved;
- (2) the grants referred to in section 4 of the report be paid into the One-Off Fund;
- (3) the position on the capital programme referred to in section 6 of the report be noted and the detailed adjustments be approved; and
- (4) the position on the reserve funds referred to in section 7 of the report be noted.

CA.78

CAPITAL GRANT FOR THE WORLD OF JAMES HERRIOT

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report sought approval to allocate a grant of £12,000 to the Herriot Country Tourism Group. The capital would be used to support improved levels of income generation for The World of James Herriot through the installation of a memorabilia room in the attraction.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To enable the Council achieve its priority of supporting local economic growth, which will enable The World of James Herriot to improve its financial position in line with its Business Plan.

THE DECISION:

That a grant of £12,000 financed from the Capital Programme for the purchase and installation of a memorabilia collection at The World of James Herriot be approved.

CA.79

INVESTMENT PLAN TO PREVENT HOMELESSNESS 2013/15

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report presented an investment plan to prevent homelessness in Hambleton for the period 2013/2015 and sought approval to invest £71,000 per annum of grant funding for the next 2 years to this purpose. In previous years plans of 1 year duration had been developed.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

Tackling the prevention of homelessness was a Council priority.

THE DECISION:

That:-

- (1) the proposed investment plan set out at Annex 2 of the report be approved; and
- (2) £71,000 be transferred from the 'One Off Fund' in 2013/14 and 2014/15 to fund the plan.

CA.80

HIGHWAY ADOPTION WORKS AT NORTHALLERTON AND STOKESLEY

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report sought additional funding of £83,500 for the completion of highway adoption works at Thurston Road, Northallerton Business Park and Ellerbeck Court, Stokesley Business Park.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To enable the completion of the highway adoption works and ratification of the transfer of Thurston Road, Northallerton and Ellerbeck Court, Stokesley to North Yorkshire County Council.

THE DECISION:

That authorisation be given for an additional capital funding of £83,500 to be allocated for the completion of highway adoption works at Thurston Road, Northallerton and Ellerbeck Court, Stokesley taking the full capital allocation for completion of the works during financial year 2013/14 to £199,750.

CA.81

PUBLIC OPEN SPACE, SPORT AND RECREATION PLANS

Northallerton, Bedale and Whitestonecliffe Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report sought endorsement of the Public Open Space, Sport and Recreation Action Plans for Northallerton and South Kilvington and endorsement of the refreshed Public Open Space, Sport and Recreation Action Plan for Bedale.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To comply with the Council's legal responsibility to ensure funding is used in a way consistent with the individual S106 Agreements.

THE DECISION:

That the Public Open Space, Sport and Recreation Action Plans attached at Annex B of the be report be endorsed.

The meeting closed at 10.45 am.

Leader of the Council