

DECISIONS TAKEN at the meeting of Cabinet held on 11 December 2013

The deadline for call-in of the relevant decisions is 5pm on Friday 20 December 2013

Present: Councillors John Kent (Leader and Chair),
Angie Gaywood, Victoria Holloway (from 7.15 p.m.),
Val Morris-Cook (until 7.55 p.m.) Bukky Okunade,
Phil Smith, Barbara Rice, Andy Smith (from 7.04 p.m.)
and Lynn Worrall.

In attendance: Ms Andrea Stark, Chief Executive, High House
Production Park.

Prior to the start of the meeting the Leader informed all in attendance at the meeting that the meeting would be recorded for publication to the internet.

78. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Cabinet meeting, held on 13 November 2013, were approved as a correct record.

79. ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

There were no items of urgent business.

80. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

During the course of Item 15, Education Commission, Councillor Gaywood declared a non pecuniary interest as she is a governor of a school in Thurrock.

81. STATEMENTS BY THE LEADER

The Leader took the opportunity to thank Neil Speight and the Thurrock Enquirer for the campaign they led in support of the funeral of Mr Stan Franks who served as an airman in World War II.

82. CORPORATE PLAN MID-YEAR PROGRESS AND SCORECARD PERFORMANCE REPORT – UP TO END OF SEPTEMBER 2013

Councillor P. Smith, Cabinet Member for Central Services, introduced the item which provided Members with a mid-year report on the progress and performance of key activities and performance measures in relation to the council's corporate objectives.

RESOLVED:

That Cabinet:

- 1.1 Acknowledges and commends services where there is good delivery against priorities.**
- 1.2 Notes that 98.75% of Year 1 deliverables are progressing in line with projected timelines or within tolerance.**
- 1.3 Notes the performance and progress in areas of concern and identifies, where it feels necessary, any further areas of concern on which to focus.**
- 1.4 Recommends the areas In Focus to be circulated as appropriate to relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee Chairs.**
- 1.5 Notes the overall positive performance of Thurrock in the ASCOF national framework of performance outcome measures for adult social care.**

83. PETITIONS SUBMITTED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were no petitions submitted.

84. QUESTIONS FROM NON-EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

The Leader informed the Cabinet that no questions had been submitted.

85. MATTERS REFERRED TO THE CABINET FOR CONSIDERATION BY AN OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

The Leader informed Members that no matters had been referred to the Cabinet by an overview and scrutiny committee.

It was agreed Item 12, Update on CCTV Enforcement would be taken as the next item.

86. DECISION 01104254 – UPADTE ON CCTV ENFORCEMENT VEHICLE TRIAL

Councillor Gaywood, Cabinet Member for Public Protection, introduced the report which provided Cabinet with an update on the CCTV enforcement vehicle trial and recommended a way forward. Councillor Gaywood informed Cabinet that the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government had requested a consultation be

undertaken on the use of CCTV Enforcement vehicles, and on this basis, proposed the following recommendation:

'That Cabinet approves a further 6-month trial of the CCTV enforcement vehicle through a short-term lease agreement with a parking management company.'

RESOLVED:

That Cabinet approves a further 6-month trial of the CCTV enforcement vehicle through a short-term lease agreement with a parking management company.

Reason for Decision - as stated in the report
This decision is subject to call-in

87. DECISION 01104252 – ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT 2012-13 – LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK

Councillor A. Smith, Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Highways and Transportation, introduced the report which sought Cabinet's agreement to and publication of the Thurrock Annual Monitoring Report of the Local Development Framework for the period 1 April 2012 to 31 March 2013.

RESOLVED:

That Cabinet approve the Annual Monitoring Report for 2012-13.

Reason for Decision - as stated in the report
This decision is subject to call-in

88. DECISION 01104253 – THE VISION FOR TILBURY

Transportation, introduced the report which sought Cabinet's endorsement for the proposed Tilbury vision.

RESOLVED:

That Cabinet note the work completed to date and endorse the draft vision for Tilbury.

Reason for Decision - as stated in the report
This decision is subject to call-in

89. DECISION 01104255 – A13 CARRIAGEWAY WIDENING – AGREEMENT TO PROCEED TO TENDER FOR DETAIL DESIGN PACKAGE

Councillor A. Smith, Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Highways and Transportation, introduced the report which sought Cabinet's approval

to procure a consultancy service for the detail design of the A13 carriageway widening between the A128 (Orsett Cock) and the A1404 (The Manor Way).

RESOLVED:

That Cabinet:

- 1.1 Approves to progress the tender in order to secure consultancy services for the delivery of the A13 Widening Detail Design Package and other related design work. Cabinet will be informed of the results of the tender process.**
- 1.2 Approves to work with DPW London Gateway, using powers already agreed through the Harbour Empowerment Order (HEO), to progress all issues leading to the implementation of the A13 widening, including public consultation on the preferred design.**

Reason for Decision - as stated in the report
This decision is subject to call-in

90. DECISION 01104256 – SCHOOL CAPITAL PROGRAMME UPDATE

Councillor J. Kent, the Leader and Cabinet Member for Education, introduced the report which provided Cabinet with an update on progress of the school capital programme and temporary accommodation for September 2014 and which reported back on any authorised revisions to previously approved schemes.

RESOLVED:

That Cabinet:

- 1.1 Notes the progress and current position with each of the schemes in the previous and new school capital programme, (Appendix A, B and C).**
- 1.2 Notes the temporary accommodation works that have been completed to ensure sufficient pupil places for September 2013.**
- 1.3 Notes the revisions made to schemes within the new school capital programme to ensure demand for additional pupil places is met.**
- 1.4 Notes an update on the tender process for the new school capital programme.**

- 1.5 Agree that delegated authority is given to the Director of Children's Services to execute any legal agreements and/or documents pursuant to the new Schools Capital Programme and the New School Grays West.**

Reason for Decision - as stated in the report

This decision is subject to call-in

91. DECISION 01104257 – EDUCATION COMMISSION

Councillor J. Kent, the Leader and Cabinet Member for Education, introduced the report which updated Cabinet on the Thurrock Education Commission and which sought guidance on investment.

RESOLVED:

That Cabinet:

- 1.1 Support the recommendations of the Thurrock Education Commission.**
- 1.2 Comment on the initial actions following the Education Commission.**
- 1.3 Considers areas for potential investment to address issues arising from the Commission.**

Reason for Decision - as stated in the report

This decision is subject to call-in

92. DECISION 01104258 – SOUTH EAST LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNESHIP – STRATEGIC ECONOMIC PLAN

Councillor J. Kent, the Leader of the Council, introduced the report which sought to update members on the development of the South East Local Enterprise Partnership's Strategic Economic Plan. The report further sought member's views on the Thurrock based projects being promoted within the Plan.

RESOLVED:

That Cabinet:

- 1.1 Endorse the priorities identified within the Thurrock Growth Story in support of the Council's input into the development of the South East Local Enterprise Partnership's Strategic Economic Plan.**
- 1.2 Support the Council's continuing work with Thames Gateway South Essex partners to prepare its input to the**

SEP's Thames Gateway chapter and continue its direct dialogue with SELEP on project prioritisation and funding.

Reason for Decision - as stated in the report
This decision is subject to call-in

93. DECISION 01104259 – UNLEASHING CREATIVE AMBITION – A STRATEGIC ROLE FOR ARTS AND CULTURE IN THURROCK

Councillor Worrall, Cabinet Member for Transformation and Community, introduced the report which set out a strategic role for arts and culture in relation to key priorities and future plans.

RESOLVED:

That Cabinet:

- 1.1 Endorses the strategic role for arts and culture in Thurrock and the three practical propositions set out in the paper, and;**
- 1.2 Agrees that the necessary steps are put in place to develop and deliver the strategic role and propositions for arts and culture to successfully implement a new brief for arts and culture.**

Reason for Decision - as stated in the report
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The meeting finished at 8.17pm.

Approved as a true and correct record

CHAIR

DATE

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