

# Cabinet

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Thursday, 12 January 2012</b>
<b>Time:</b>	<b>6.15 pm</b>
<b>Venue:</b>	<b>Committee Room 1 - Wallasey Town Hall</b>

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## AGENDA

### 1. MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The members of the Cabinet are invited to consider whether they have a personal or prejudicial interest in connection with any of the items on this agenda and, if so, to declare it and state the nature of such interest.

### 2. MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting have been printed and published. Any matters called in will be reported at the meeting.

Three minutes from the 8 December, 2011 meeting were the subject of objections at Council on 12 December, 2011 and the wording of the objections, as approved by Council, is listed below:

Minute 210 – Corporate Plan 2012/13 - Update

Objection 1:

**Resolved (35:29) (One abstention) –**

- (1) That a decision on the Corporate Plan be postponed and deferred to the next Full Council meeting and that, in the meantime, the Corporate Plan is referred to all the Council's OSCs for scrutiny. In line with Article 6 of the Constitution, OSCs to consider those parts of the Corporate Plan within the remit of each committee, with Council Excellence OSC carrying out its coordinating role in line with Clause 23 of the Constitution relating to Council Excellence, specifically "the overall production of the Corporate Plan." That a report to the next Council be made on the views of the OSCs.**

**(2) Council notes that the Corporate Plan was not issued with the Council Summons and therefore elected members have not had sufficient time to consider this important document, nor have they been sufficiently engaged in its development, despite the previous assurances of the Leader of the Council to include OSCs in the development of the Budget and Policy Framework.**

Objection 2:

**Resolved (35:29) (One abstention) –**

**Council recognises the difference between a wish list (however many good intentions the list espouses) and a plan is the presence of objectives that are Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic and Time bound. Council notes that the new corporate plan sent to it by the administration for endorsement has 13 pages of commentary, 75 wishes and a complete lack of specific activities to be undertaken, dates by when they will be completed or how success will be measured.**

**Council believes that the lack of clarity and rigour in the plan, as now presented, will lead to confusion regarding how departmental plans can best be configured to contribute to clear Council objectives and lead to a return of the silo approach to service delivery and problem solving.**

**Council notes the definition of good corporate governance includes reference to inclusive, consultative and transparent decision making and therefore regrets that the development of the new corporate plan, sent to it by the administration for agreement, has not been inclusive, consultative or transparent.**

**Council therefore refuses to adopt the new Corporate Plan in its current state and recommends, in the absence of a meaningful public consultation exercise this year, that:**

- (1) The administration seeks the views of all relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committees and Council partners.**
- (2) Any comments received are transparently evaluated by the Cabinet.**
- (3) Following (1) & (2) above, a more robust plan containing SMART objectives is resubmitted to a future Council.**

Minute 215 – Capital Programme and Financing 2012-15

**Resolved (64:0) (One abstention) – That the objection be approved.**

**That the Capital Programme as proposed by Cabinet be amended to include:**

- Preventative maintenance to classified roads - £500,000.
- Preventative maintenance to unclassified and residential streets - £500,000.
- Road safety improvements and local transport schemes - £650,000.

Minute 216 – Budget Projections 2012-15

**Resolved (64:0) (One abstention) – That the objection be approved.**

**(1) That the decision to cut £1m from the Early Intervention Grant be referred to the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee.**

**(2) That the sum of £1.4m pay provision be referred to the Council Excellence Overview and Scrutiny Committee.**

RECOMMENDATION: That the minutes be approved and adopted subject to the above objections.

**FINANCE AND BEST VALUE**

3. **PROVISIONAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE SETTLEMENT 2012/13 (Pages 1 - 8)**
4. **COLLECTION FUND 2011-12 (Pages 9 - 12)**
5. **PHOTOCOPIERS AND MULTI-FUNCTIONAL DEVICES CONTRACT (Pages 13 - 16)**
6. **FEES AND CHARGES DIRECTORY (Pages 17 - 80)**

**CHILDREN'S SERVICES AND LIFELONG LEARNING**

7. **REVIEW OF PRIMARY SCHOOL PLACES PHASE 6: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND DEMOGRAPHIC UPDATE (Pages 81 - 92)**
8. **REVIEW OF WIRRAL'S PROVISION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH PROFOUND AND MULTIPLE LEARNING DIFFICULTIES / DISABILITIES (Pages 93 - 110)**

**CORPORATE RESOURCES**

9. **SCHEME AND ESTIMATE REPORT FOR WALLASEY TOWN HALL FIRE PRECAUTION WORKS AND REFURBISHMENT (Pages 111 - 140)**
10. **HILLCROFT, ROCKY LANE, HESWALL (Pages 141 - 148)**
11. **COMMUNITY ENERGY EFFICIENCY FUND (Pages 149 - 156)**
12. **CORPORATE TRAINING CONTRACT (Pages 157 - 160)**

13. 136 AND 138 BEDFORD ROAD, ROCK FERRY (Pages 161 - 164)

#### **STREETSCENE AND TRANSPORT SERVICES**

14. HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE FUNDING AND STRUCTURAL MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME 2012/2013 (Pages 165 - 200)
15. WESTERN HIGH VOLTAGE DIRECT CURRENT (HVDC) LINK PROJECT (Pages 201 - 222)

#### **ENVIRONMENT**

16. PROPOSED EXPANSION OF THE GARDEN WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE (Pages 223 - 228)

#### **COMMUNITY AND CUSTOMER ENGAGEMENT**

17. FORMAL ADOPTION OF EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENTS (Pages 229 - 232)

#### **HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY**

18. DRAFT LEARNING DISABILITY HOUSING PLAN 2011-2014 (Pages 233 - 292)
19. WIRRAL AFFORDABLE WARMTH IMPLEMENTATION PLAN 2012/2014 (Pages 293 - 314)

#### **REGENERATION AND PLANNING STRATEGY**

20. SUPPORT FOR WIRRAL'S COASTAL RESORT TOWNS (Pages 315 - 322)
21. REPORT ON VISIT TO CHINA - SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2011 (Pages 323 - 326)

#### **CULTURE, TOURISM AND LEISURE**

22. WILLIAMSON ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM - PROPOSED INTERNAL REFURBISHMENT AND EXTENDED FACILITIES (Pages 327 - 336)
23. PARKS AND COUNTRYSIDE SERVICE MODERNISATION PROJECT - UPDATE (Pages 337 - 342)
24. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY THE CHAIR (PART 1)

To consider any other business that the Chair accepts as being urgent.

25. EXEMPT INFORMATION - EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

The following items contain exempt information.

RECOMMENDATION: That, under section 100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined by the relevant paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 12A (as amended) to that Act. The Public Interest test has been applied and favours exclusion.

## **CHILDREN'S SERVICES AND LIFELONG LEARNING**

### **26. INFORMATION, ADVICE AND GUIDANCE SERVICE COMMISSIONING (Pages 343 - 350)**

This report is exempt under paragraph 3 as it contains commercially sensitive information.

## **ENVIRONMENT**

### **27. UPDATE REPORT OF CONTRACTUAL REVIEW OF GREEN WASTE PROCESSING CONTRACT (Pages 351 - 366)**

This report is exempt under paragraph 3 as it contains commercially sensitive information.

## **REGENERATION AND PLANNING STRATEGY**

### **28. APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (1) (Pages 367 - 374)**

This report is exempt under paragraph 3 as it contains commercially sensitive information.

### **29. APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (2) (Pages 375 - 382)**

This report is exempt under paragraph 3 as it contains commercially sensitive information.

## **CORPORATE RESOURCES**

### **30. EXEMPT APPENDIX (Pages 383 - 384)**

Appendix to agenda item 5:

- Photocopiers and Multi-Functional Devices Contract

Exempt by virtue of paragraph 3 as it contains commercially sensitive information.

### **31. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY THE CHAIR**

**(PART 2)**

To consider any other business that the Chair accepts as being urgent.