

Denbighshire County Council – Decisions taken by the Cabinet on Tuesday, 24 September 2013

Agenda Item No	Topic	Decision
1	APOLOGIES	No apologies received.
2	DECLARATION OF INTERESTS	No Members declared any personal or prejudicial interests in any business identified to be considered at the meeting.
3	URGENT MATTERS	No items were raised which in the opinion of the Chair, should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency pursuant to Section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972.
4	MINUTES	RESOLVED: - <i>that the Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 30th July, 2013 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Leader.</i>
5	FINANCE REPORT UPDATE	<p>Councillor J. Thompson Hill presented the report, circulated previously, which provided an update on the Council's current financial position.</p> <p>RESOLVED - that:-</p> <p><i>(a) Cabinet receives the report and notes the progress against the agreed budget strategy, and</i></p> <p><i>(b) an update report in respect of Post 16 transport provision be presented to the next Cabinet meeting.</i></p>
6	ANNUAL: PERFORMANCE REVIEW 2012/13	Councillor Barbara Smith presented the report, circulated previously, which provided Cabinet with the opportunity to scrutinise the Council's draft Annual Performance

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		<p>Review for 2012/13, Appendix I, prior to a final draft being presented to Council in October, 2013.</p> <p>RESOLVED - that Cabinet agrees that the draft 2012/13 Annual Performance Review be submitted to County Council for approval.</p>
7	SUPPORTED HOUSING PROTOCOL	<p>Councillor Bobby Feeley presented the report, circulated previously, which set out a process to enable the Council to take fair and balanced decisions about the location of “supported housing” (SH).</p> <p>RESOLVED - that Cabinet agrees:-</p> <p>(a) the adoption of the protocol attached as Appendix 1. (b) the operation of the protocol and Panel be monitored and reviewed after a period of twelve months with the outcome of the review reported to Cabinet, and (c) an audit of the number and location of supported housing schemes which currently exist in Denbighshire be conducted.</p>
8	PROPOSED CORPORATE SAFEGUARDING POLICY AND PANEL	<p>Councillor Bobby Feeley presented the report, circulated previously, on the proposal for the adoption of a Corporate Safeguarding Policy and the establishment of a joint member/officer Corporate Safeguarding Panel (CSP).</p> <p>RESOLVED:- that Cabinet agrees:-</p> <p>(a) the adoption of the Corporate Safeguarding Policy.</p>

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		<p><i>(b) the establishment of a Corporate Safeguarding Panel with terms of reference as described in Appendix 8 to the report, and</i></p> <p><i>(c) that safeguarding training be mandatory for all Elected Members within the first twelve months of appointment to office.</i></p>
9	NORTH EAST WALES SENSORY SUPPORT SERVICES	<p>Councillor Eryl Williams presented the report, circulated previously, which detailed the formation of a North East Wales Sensory Support Service in partnership with Wrexham County Borough Council and Flintshire County Council.</p> <p>RESOLVED:- that Cabinet:-</p> <p><i>(a) recognises the positive actions taken to enhance the service available to children and young people with a sensory loss across the counties of Flintshire, Wrexham and Denbighshire, and</i></p> <p><i>(b) approves the decision to move to a sub-regional service.</i></p>
10	PROCUREMENT TRANSFORMATION UPDATE	<p>Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill presented the report, circulated previously, which provided an update on various procurement initiatives that were being undertaken as part of a wider Procurement Transformation Programme, and sought Cabinet approval to proceed with three Procurement projects outlined in the report.</p> <p>RESOLVED:- that Cabinet approves:-</p> <p><i>(a) that Denbighshire becomes an official member of the Welsh Purchasing Consortium for the next 3 years up to 31st March, 2016, with an annual</i></p>

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		<p><i>contribution fee of £13,500.</i></p> <p><i>(b) the development of a Business Case for the creation of a joint service by merging the Strategic Procurement Units of Denbighshire and Flintshire County Councils, and</i></p> <p><i>(c) the development of a Business Case for the Three County Procurement Service involving initially Denbighshire, Flintshire and Gwynedd County Councils based upon a Category Management Structure.</i></p>
11	VOLUNTEERING, APPRENTICESHIPS, WORK EXPERIENCE, GRADUATES AND INTERNSHIPS	<p>Councillor Hugh Evans presented the report, circulated previously, which provided a summary of the work undertaken in Denbighshire in coordinating a number of work streams including volunteering, graduates, apprenticeships, work experience and internships (VGAWEI).</p> <p>RESOLVED:- <i>that Cabinet agrees the adoption of:-</i></p> <p><i>(a) the Corporate Volunteer Strategy, Appendix 1 to the report, and</i></p> <p><i>(b) the targets for the volunteering work programme and for the continued work to develop work experience placements, internships, graduate traineeships and apprentices as set out in paragraph 4.8 of the report.</i></p>
12	TREASURY MANAGEMENT	<p>Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill presented the report, circulated previously, on the Council's Treasury Management (TM) activities, investment and borrowing activity during 2012/13 and it provided an overview of the economic background for the year.</p> <p>RESOLVED - <i>that Cabinet:-</i></p>

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		<p><i>(a) notes the Annual Treasury Management Report for 2012/13, and (b) requests that the concerns raised regarding Prudential Borrowing in respect of the HRA be conveyed to Welsh Government.</i></p>
13	SCRAP METAL DEALERS ACT 2013	<p>Councillor David Smith presented the report, circulated previously, which detailed the provisions of the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013 and requested the approval of suggested delegated powers and fee setting for the Authority.</p> <p>RESOLVED:- that Cabinet approves:-</p> <p><i>(a) the delegation of the powers under the Scrap Metal Dealers Act to the Head of Planning and Public Protection. (b) the delegation of the decision of the adoption of the fee level for Scrap Metal licences to the Head of Planning and Public Protection, with approval from the Lead Member, and (c) the Head of Planning and Public Protection examine the legislation pertaining to the displaying of identity badges by Scrap Metal Dealers.</i></p>
14	CABINET FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME	<p>Councillor H.H. Evans presented the Cabinet Forward Work Programme.</p> <p>RESOLVED - that Cabinet receive the Forward Work Programme, subject to the agreed amendments.</p>

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15	CONTRACT AWARD FOR OUTSOURCING STORES (HOUSING)	<p>Councillor Hugh Irving presented the report, circulated previously, which provided an overview of the reason to outsource stores and material supply chain, and to recommend a preferred contractor to provide the service going forward.</p> <p><i>RESOLVED</i> - that Cabinet approves the selection of Jewson as the preferred contractor to supply stores and materials to the Housing Service for a period of 3 years with an option to extend for a further year if required.</p>