

Denbighshire County Council – Decisions taken by the Cabinet on Tuesday, 17 February 2015

Agenda Item No	Topic	Decision
1	APOLOGIES	Councillors Bobby Feeley (Lead Member for Social Care, Adult & Children’s Services) and David Smith (Lead Member for Public Realm)
2	DECLARATION OF INTERESTS	Councillor Meirick Davies – Personal – Agenda Item 7 – rents council garage Councillor Martyn Holland – Personal – Agenda Item 5 – governor Bro Famau Councillor Huw Williams – Personal – Agenda Item 5 – child in Pen Barras
3	URGENT MATTERS	No urgent matters had been raised.
4	MINUTES	RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 13 January 2015 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Leader.
5	MODERNISING EDUCATION PROGRAMME - RUTHIN PRIMARY AREA - YSGOL LLANBEDR	RESOLVED that Cabinet – (a) notes the contents of the Ministerial letter attached at Appendix 1 to the report, and (b) agrees for officers to commence consultation with the Church in Wales on the proposal to close Ysgol Llanbedr and report back to members.
6	IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HOUSING ACT WALES 2014	RESOLVED that Cabinet agree that Denbighshire County Council does not exclude any of the groups named under section 2 of the report, but rather continues to apply the “intentionality test” to all of them and publishes its intent to do so in accordance with Welsh Government direction as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report.
7	HOUSING RENT SETTING & HOUSING REVENUE AND CAPITAL BUDGETS 2015/16	RESOLVED that – (a) the Housing Revenue Account Budget for 2015/16 (Appendix 1 to the report) and the Housing Stock Business Plan (Appendix 2 to the report) be adopted;

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		<p>(b) rents for Council dwellings be increased in accordance with the Housing (Wales) Act 2014 to an average weekly rent of £74.93 with effect from Monday 6 April 2015;</p> <p>(c) rents for Council garages be increased in line with the increase in rents for Council dwellings;</p> <p>(d) that fixed average service charges of £1.99 per week are introduced where applicable in line with the Housing (Wales) Act 2014, and</p> <p>(e) a review of garage sites be undertaken in 2015/16 as part of the Asset Management Strategy, the outcomes of the review to be reported back to Cabinet when it is completed and by no later than 31 December 2015 in any event.</p>
8	RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STRATEGIC INVESTMENT GROUP	RESOLVED that the projects detailed in Appendix 1 to the report for inclusion in the 2015/16 Capital Plan be supported and recommended to full Council.
9	FINANCE REPORT	<p>RESOLVED that Cabinet –</p> <p>(a) notes the budgets set for 2014/15 and progress against the agreed budget strategy;</p> <p>(b) approves the transfer of £100k funding to a reserve to fund school broadband enhancements in 2015/16, and</p>

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		<i>(c) a letter be sent to the Welsh Government regarding the Cabinet's concerns in respect of the Minister's proposals in relation to TAITH.</i>
10	CABINET FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME	<i>RESOLVED</i> that Cabinet's Forward Work Programme be noted.