

CABINET
Monday, 8th October, 2007

Place: Council Chamber, Civic Offices, High Street, Epping

Time: 7.00 pm

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Members:

Councillors Mrs D Collins (Leader and Leaders Portfolio Holder) (Chairman), C Whitbread (Vice-Chairman), M Cohen, A Green, Mrs A Grigg, Mrs M Sartin, D Stallan and Ms S Stavrou

**PLEASE NOTE THE START TIME OF THE MEETING
THE COUNCIL HAS AGREED REVISED PROCEDURES FOR THE OPERATION OF
CABINET MEETINGS. BUSINESS NOT CONCLUDED BY 10.00 P.M. WILL, AT THE
DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN, STAND REFERRED TO THE NEXT MEETING OR
WILL BE VOTED UPON WITHOUT DEBATE**

1. WEBCASTING INTRODUCTION (Pages 7 - 10)

1. This meeting is to be webcast. Members are reminded of the need to activate their microphones before speaking.

2. The Chairman will read the following announcement:

“I would like to remind everyone present that this meeting will be broadcast live to the Internet and will be capable of repeated viewing and copies of the recording could be made available for those that request it.

If you are seated in the lower public seating area it is likely that the recording cameras will capture your image and this will result in the possibility that your image will become part of the broadcast.

This may infringe your human and data protection rights and if you wish to avoid this you should move to the upper public gallery”

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

(Head of Research and Democratic Services) To declare interests in any item on this agenda.

4. MINUTES

To confirm the minutes of the last meeting of the Cabinet held on 3 September 2007 (previously circulated).

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972, together with paragraphs (6) and (24) of the Council Procedure Rules contained in the Constitution require that the permission of the Chairman be obtained, after prior notice to the Chief Executive, before urgent business not specified in the agenda (including a supplementary agenda of which the statutory period of notice has been given) may be transacted.

In accordance with Operational Standing Order 6 (non-executive bodies), any item raised by a non-member shall require the support of a member of the Committee concerned and the Chairman of that Committee. Two weeks' notice of non-urgent items is required.

6. REPORTS OF PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

To receive oral reports from Portfolio Holders on current issues concerning their Portfolios, which are not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

7. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY

To consider any matters of concern to the Cabinet arising from the Council's Overview and Scrutiny function.

8. WEBCASTING PROJECT (Pages 11 - 14)

(Finance, Performance Management & Corporate Support Services Portfolio Holder)
To consider the attached report (C/046/2007-08).

9. CIVIC OFFICES FIVE-YEAR ROLLING MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME (Pages 15 - 22)

(Finance, Performance Management & Corporate Support Services Portfolio Holder)
To consider the attached report (C/047/2007-08).

10. FINANCE & PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT CABINET COMMITTEE - 24 SEPTEMBER 2007

(Chairman of the Finance & Performance Management Cabinet Committee) To consider the minutes of the meeting held on 24 September 2007 and the recommendations therein (Report to follow).

- 11. SPRINGFIELDS IMPROVEMENT SCHEME - PROGRESS REPORT I (Pages 23 - 26)**

(Housing Portfolio Holder) To consider the attached report (C/048/2007-08).
- 12. HOME OWNERSHIP GRANTS SCHEME (Pages 27 - 30)**

(Housing Portfolio Holder) To consider the attached report (C/049/2007-08).
- 13. SHARED OWNERSHIP POLICY (Pages 31 - 34)**

(Housing Portfolio Holder) To consider the attached report (C/050/2007-08).
- 14. REVIEW OF THE RSL PARTNERING AND JOINT COMMISSIONING SCHEMES (Pages 35 - 42)**

(Housing Portfolio Holder) To consider the attached report (C/051/2007-08).
- 15. BUDGET VIREMENT - WORKS UNIT (Pages 43 - 44)**

(Housing Portfolio Holder) To consider the attached report (C/052/2007-08).
- 16. EPPING DRINKING FOUNTAIN (Pages 45 - 46)**

(Civil Engineering and Maintenance Portfolio Holder) To consider the attached report (C/053/2007-08).
- 17. ECONOMIC REGENERATION (Pages 47 - 56)**

(Planning & Economic Development Portfolio Holder) To consider the attached report (C/054/2007-08).
- 18. ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS (Pages 57 - 66)**

(Planning & Economic Development Portfolio Holder) To consider the attached report (C/055/2007-08).
- 19. THE BROADWAY TOWN CENTRE ENHANCEMENT SCHEME (Pages 67 - 70)**

(Planning & Economic Development Portfolio Holder) To consider the attached report (C/056/2007-08).
- 20. YOUTH INITIATIVES SCHEME - WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 71 - 74)**

(Finance, Performance Management & Corporate Support Services) To consider the attached report (C/058/2007-08).
- 21. RELEASE OF RESTRICTIVE COVENANT - LOUGHTON HALL, EPPING FOREST COLLEGE, LOUGHTON (Pages 75 - 82)**

(Finance, Performance Management & Corporate Support Services) To consider the attached report (C/059/2007-08).

22. CAPITAL PROGRAMME REVIEW FROM 2007-08 TO 2011-12 (Pages 83 - 98)

(Finance, Performance Management & Corporate Support Services Portfolio Holder)
To consider the attached report (C/057/2007-08).

23. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

Exclusion: To consider whether, under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press should be excluded from the meeting for the items of business set out below on grounds that they will involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the following paragraph(s) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act (as amended) or are confidential under Section 100(A)(2):

Agenda Item No	Subject	Exempt Information Paragraph Number
24	Employer's Liability Claim - Asbestos	1

The Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, which came into effect on 1 March 2006, requires the Council to consider whether maintaining the exemption listed above outweighs the potential public interest in disclosing the information. Any member who considers that this test should be applied to any currently exempted matter on this agenda should contact the proper officer at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Confidential Items Commencement: Paragraph 9 of the Council Procedure Rules contained in the Constitution require:

- (1) All business of the Council requiring to be transacted in the presence of the press and public to be completed by 10.00 p.m. at the latest.
- (2) At the time appointed under (1) above, the Chairman shall permit the completion of debate on any item still under consideration, and at his or her discretion, any other remaining business whereupon the Council shall proceed to exclude the public and press.
- (3) Any public business remaining to be dealt with shall be deferred until after the completion of the private part of the meeting, including items submitted for report rather than decision.

Background Papers: Paragraph 8 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules of the Constitution define background papers as being documents relating to the subject matter of the report which in the Proper Officer's opinion:

- (a) disclose any facts or matters on which the report or an important part of the report is based; and
- (b) have been relied on to a material extent in preparing the report and does not include published works or those which disclose exempt or confidential information (as defined in Rule 10) and in respect of executive reports, the advice of any political advisor.

Inspection of background papers may be arranged by contacting the officer

responsible for the item.

24. EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY CLAIM - ASBESTOS (Pages 99 - 102)

(Finance, Performance Management & Corporate Support Services Portfolio Holder)
To consider the restricted report (C/060/2007-08).