

## CABINET - 12 JUNE 2008

*Councillor Mrs J M Dalgarno (Chairman)*

Present (for all or part of the meeting):-

Councillors:

W D Davis - Planning and Regeneration Portfolio  
P M M Farrington - Community Portfolio  
J S Highfield - Environment and Health Portfolio  
R M Smith - Leisure Portfolio

### CAB05 **WELCOME**

The Cabinet welcomed the new Chief Executive, Ian Thompson and new Deputy Chief Executive, Malcolm Vickers, to the meeting.

### CAB06 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of 15 May 2008 were submitted and signed.

### CAB07 **APOLOGIES**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor M R Heenan.

### CAB08 **PROPOSED SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY**

Considered the draft Sustainable Community Strategy for Stafford Borough for consultation purposes, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 116 issued on 13 June 2008.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Leader of the Council be approved as follows:-

**That the proposed Sustainable Community Strategy for Stafford Borough be approved for consultation purposes.**

### CAB09 **STAFFORD BOROUGH LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK - EVIDENCE-BASE STRATEGIC HOUSING LAND AVAILABILITY ASSESSMENT (SHLAA)**

Considered a report relating to the Stafford Borough Local Development Framework - Evidence-Base Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 116 issued on 13 June 2008.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member - Planning and Regeneration be approved as follows:-

**That (a) the Stafford Borough Housing Land Partnership be established and progresses**

**with the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment's initial findings to inform work preparing the new Stafford Borough Local Development Framework;**

- (b) the Cabinet place on record its appreciation of the work undertaken by the Officers in the preparation of the report.**

**CAB10 STAFFORD BOROUGH LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK - PRINCIPLES FOR SETTLEMENT DEVELOPMENT**

Considered a report relating to the Stafford Borough Local Development Framework - Principles for Settlement Development, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 116 issued on 13 June 2008.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member - Planning and Regeneration be approved as follows:-

**That:-**

- (a) the principle of categorising and identifying the potential for future development at settlements outside of Stafford and Stone within Stafford Borough through the application of a systematic approach be approved;**
- (b) the suggested methodology for establishing the settlements to provide for future development be approved;**
- (c) public consultation on (a) and (b) above be approved.**

**CAB11 RIVERSIDE CAR PARK ORDER**

Considered a report relating to amending the current car parking order regulating the use of the Riverside Car Park, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 116 issued on 13 June 2008.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member - Planning and Regeneration be approved as follows:-

**That the Head of Planning and Engineering, in conjunction with the Head of Law and Administration, be authorised to take all necessary steps to amend the current Riverside Car Park Order to make it available as a long stay car park.**

**CAB12 OPTIONS AVAILABLE FOR THE COLLECTION OF CARDBOARD WASTE**

Considered alternative options for the recycling, composting or disposal of cardboard in the domestic waste stream, in response to intervention by the Environment Agency, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 116 issued on 13 June 2008.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member - Environment be approved as follows:-

**That the Council proceed with the preferred Option (b) which, following a comprehensive publicity campaign offering practical guidance and support to the public, will require householders to put waste cardboard in the blue bin for recycling.**

**CAB13 FARE CHARGES FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGES LICENSED BY STAFFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL**

Considered a review of the fares imposed by this Council upon all hackney carriages licensed by the Council, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 116 issued on 13 June 2008.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member - Environment be approved as follows:-

- That:-**
- (a) the revised scale of charges set out under Option 1 in APPENDIX 1 for hackney carriages licensed by the Council be approved;**
  - (b) the revised charges be advertised in accordance with the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976;**
  - (c) the revised charges be implemented as soon as possible, subject to any objections arising.**

**CAB14 IMPROVEMENTS TO FACILITIES - ROWLEY PARK SPORTS STADIUM**

Considered a report relating to proposed improvement to facilities at the Rowley Park Sports Stadium, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 116 issued on 13 June 2008.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member - Leisure be approved as follows:-

**That:-**

- (a) the Section 106 Agreement contribution relating to the development at Tesco, Newport Road, Stafford (Ref. No. 40654), of £332,000 (£307,000 plus interest) be allocated to the improvement of facilities at Rowley Park;**
- (b) a sum of £30,000 be allocated in the Capital Programme 2008/09, from an amount of £332,000 already received by the Council, to undertake a design specification related to the above proposal to include for:-**
  - **an extensive land survey including land ownership, drainage and constraint issues across the site;**
  - **preliminary design drawings to cover the extent of how car parking can be improved to minimise closure and support increased use, improved changing accommodation and improved spectator area to include seats and a covered spectator area;**
  - **a full budget estimate;**
  - **an assessment of the construction period and phasing of works and the various options for consideration**
  - **pre planning application consultations;**
  - **ecology and biodiversity assessments;**
  - **cost assessment to include for project management , detailed feasibility, design and supervision and all fees;**
  - **planning application submission;**
- (c) £10,000 be allocated from the £332,000 funding received under the Section 106 Agreement to replace the dilapidated boundary fencing around areas of the site to improve security and to reduce vandalism.**

**CAB15 SAFEGUARDING AND PROMOTING THE WELFARE OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE**

Considered the Safeguarding and Promoting the Welfare of Children and Young People policy, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 116 issued on 13 June 2008.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member - Leisure be approved as follows:-

**That the Safeguarding and Promoting the Welfare of Children and Young People policy be approved.**

**CAB16 RISK MANAGEMENT - IDENTIFICATION AND PRIORITISATION OF STRATEGIC AND CROSS CUTTING RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES**

Considered the strategic and cross cutting risks/opportunities (and action plans) as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 116 issued on 13 June 2008.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member - Resources be approved as follows:-

**That:- (a) the new risks/opportunities (plus risk scores) and associated management action plans be approved;**

**(b) the risks/opportunities carried forward from 2007/2008 and new management action plans be approved.**

**CAB17 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

RESOLVED:- that pursuant to Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting whilst the next following item of business are discussed on the grounds that they involve the disclosure of exempt information of the type specified in Paragraph 1 and 8 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

**CAB18 APPLICATIONS FOR VOLUNTARY EARLY RETIREMENT**

Considered requests for voluntary early retirement as set out in Confidential Appendix to Section 2 of Digest No 116 issued on 13 June 2008.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member - Resources be approved as set out in the Confidential Report in Section 2 of Digest No 116.

**CAB19 RESTRUCTURE OF POLICY AND IMPROVEMENT SERVICE**

Considered a report relating to the restructuring of part of the Policy and Improvement Service to take account of present and future work requirements, as set out in Confidential Appendix to Section 2 of Digest No 116 issued on 13 June 2008.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member - Resources be approved as set out in the Confidential Report in Section 2 of Digest No 116.

*Proceedings commenced at 6.30 pm and terminated at 7.17 pm*