



Record of decision

THE FOLLOWING DECISIONS WERE TAKEN ON THURSDAY, 15 JUNE 2017 BY THE CABINET

THE CALL IN PERIOD FOR THESE DECISIONS EXPIRES AT 5.00 PM ON MONDAY, 26 JUNE 2017

Members of the Cabinet who were present

Cllrs Dave Stewart (Chairman), Barry Abraham, John Hobart, Clare Mosdell, Michael Murwill, Gary Peace, Ian Ward, Chris Whitehouse, Wayne Whittle

Apologies

Cllr Stuart Hutchinson

Members also present (non-voting)

Cllrs Paul Brading, Vanessa Churchman, Paul Fuller, Tig Outlaw and Christopher Quirk

Confirmed as a true record of decisions taken

Leader of the Council

Urgent Item	Start times of Future Cabinet Meetings
Decision reference	05 (17/18)
Summary of Discussion	<p>The Leader of the Council proposed that from 13 July 2017, all scheduled meetings of Cabinet would start at 5.00pm.</p> <p>This was in order to save on the councils resources and avoid a loss of an hours business between the official close of council business at County Hall at 5.00pm and the meeting start time of 6.00pm.</p> <p>It would also allow members to attend other commitments, such as Town and Parish Council meetings as well as align with the times of Scrutiny Committee meetings.</p>
Decision Taken	THAT as of 13 July 2017, all meetings of the Cabinet would be scheduled to commence at 5.00pm.
Questions	None.

Agenda item	<u>Minutes of the Last Meeting</u>
Decision reference	06 (17/18)
Decision Taken	That the minutes of the meeting held on <u>18 May 2017</u> be agreed.
Questions / Amendments	None.

Agenda item	<u>Declarations of Interest</u>
Decision reference	07 (17/18)
	Councillor Stewart declared a personal interest in Decision Reference 09 (17/18) as he had a member of his family working within Childrens Services.

Agenda item	Public Question Time
Decision reference	08 (17/18)
Questions	No written questions were received by the set deadline.

Agenda item	<u>Performance and Finance Report – Quarter Ended 31 March 2017</u>
Decision reference	09 (17/18)
Summary of Discussion	<p>The Leader presented a report which set out the outturn results of the council's performance against the established indicators and targets that underpinned the delivery of the current Corporate Plan for the final quarter of the reporting period ending 31 March 2017.</p> <p>Recommendations from the Scrutiny Committee meeting that met on 13 June 2017 were circulated to all members and were agreed. (click <u>here</u> to view)</p> <p>One of the scrutiny committee recommendations was that Councillor Andrew Garrett should meet with the Leader, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Resources and appropriate officers to discuss improvements around the submission of performance information to all members.</p>
Issues raised by other members	No issues were raised.
Decision taken	THAT the Cabinet the performance in relation to the council's priorities as set out in the report and the priority report detail as set out in Appendix A to the report, together with the council's financial position as set out at Appendices B and C in the report, be noted.

Reason for the decision and corporate objective it aligns with	<p>To support the Isle of Wight Council's Corporate Plans 2015 – 2017 following priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Priority 1: Supporting growth in the economy, making the Island a better place and keeping it safe • Priority 2: Keeping children safe and improving their education • Priority 3: Protecting the most vulnerable with health and social care, investing in support, prevention and continuing care • Priority 4: Ensuring that all the resources available to the Island are used in the most effective way in achieving the Island's priorities <p>To provide the Cabinet (and subsequently the council's scrutiny function) with the necessary information to record achievements and challenge areas of underperformance and to account for it to the wider community.</p>
Options considered and rejected	<p>There were no other options to consider other than reject the report.</p>
Declarations of Interests	<p>Councillor Stewart declared a personal interest as he had a member of his family working within Childrens Services.</p>

Agenda item	<p><u>To Approve A Consultation On Changes To The Non-Residential Care Charging Policy</u></p>
Decision reference	<p>10(17/18)</p>
Summary of Discussion	<p>The Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health presented a report which sought a two month consultation period to determine people's views on proposed changes to the non-residential care charging policy.</p> <p>The Cabinet Member stressed that the recommendation was not to make a final decision but to go out to consultation. Any issues arising from that consultation would be dealt at a later date.</p> <p>Members were advised that the Scrutiny Committee noted the recommendation.</p>
Issues raised by other members	<p>No issues were raised.</p>
Decision taken	<p>I. THAT a two month consultation on changes to the way the council considers disability benefits at the higher or enhanced rate as part of a person's income when making</p>

	<p>charges for non-residential care with affected service users, stakeholders and interested groups, to include the general public, and the consideration of a further report to Cabinet detailing the results of the consultation exercise be agreed.</p> <p>II. THAT the seeking of a final decision as to how to regard (and disregard) all disability related benefits income when charging for adult social care, be agreed.</p>
Reason for the decision and corporate objective it aligns with	<p>To meet the council's priorities as set out in the Corporate Plan 2015-2017 approved by Full Council on 1 April 2015 in the following way:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Priority 3 - Protecting the most vulnerable with health and social care, investing in support, prevention and continuing care. The proposal is seen to support a key focus of making sure that the council has sufficient resources to invest in services that meet the needs of vulnerable people. • Priority 4 - Ensuring that all the resources available to the island are used in the most effective way in achieving the island's priorities. This proposal is considered to meet the requirement of optimising the potential for income generation.
Options considered and rejected	<p>Option 1 – Not to seek any changes to the way the council considers disability benefits at the higher or enhanced rate as part of a person's income when making charges for non-residential care and, therefore, no consultation is required.</p> <p>Option 3 – To approve a longer period of consultation with affected service users, stakeholders and interested groups, to include the general public. If this option is adopted it is suggested that the period of consultation should be no longer than 12 weeks.</p>
Declarations of Interests	None declared.

Agenda item	<u>Consideration of the Forward Plan</u>
Decision reference	11 (17/18)
Amendments / Additions / Removals	Members reviewed the latest published Forward Plan and the Cabinet Member for Infrastructure and Transport highlighted the Approval of Abandoned Vehicles Policy, which was scheduled to be taken as a delegated decision by the end of July 2017. The policy was a revision which would enable such vehicles to be removed quickly and efficiently.

Declarations of Interests	None declared
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Agenda item	<u>Members' Question Time</u>
Decision reference	12 (17/18)
Questions	<p>There were no written questions received by the set deadline.</p> <p>Cllr Churchman asked an oral question on the issue around white vans parking in private roads.</p> <p>The Cabinet Member for Infrastructure and Transport would look into the matter.</p> <p>Cllr Baker-Smith enquired on the councils ethical views around disability benefit payments.</p> <p>The Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health did not want Cabinet to give any personal or ethical views on any matters around the consultation on changes to the Non-Residential Care Charging Policy as such views may influence the views of those being consulted.</p>
Declarations of Interests	None

Agenda item	Additional Urgent Item
Reference	13 (17/18)
Summary of Discussion	<p>Owing to a number of external obligations which included important studying commitments, the Cabinet Member for Childrens Services, Cllr Chris Whitehouse announced that he would be stepping down from his Cabinet role. As a consequence, Cllr Paul Brading would take over the position vacated.</p> <p>The Leader thanked Cllr Whitehouse for his valued contributions to the administration and wished him well.</p>