



CABINET

Date: **Wednesday, 24 November 2010**

Time: **5.00 p.m.**

Venue: **Committee room, City Hall**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Councillors:

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AGENDA

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1. Apologies

To receive apologies for absence

2. Public questions

To receive questions from the public (notice to be given to committee officer by 10.00 a.m. on the day before the meeting.)

3. Declarations of interest

(Please note that it is the responsibility of individual members to declare any interest prior to the item if they arrive late for the meeting)

4. Minutes

To agree the accuracy of the minutes of the cabinet meetings held on 27 October 2010 and 10 November 2010.

5. Participatory budgeting

(Report of the head of local neighbourhood services)

Purpose - To consider the recommendations of the participatory budgeting cross party working group and agree the future development of participatory budgeting.

6. Phased closure of the city hall cashier service - update

(Report of the deputy chief executive)

Purpose – To update cabinet regarding the progress of the phased closure of the city hall cashier service.

7. Response to consultation on planning for schools development

(Report of the head of planning and regeneration)

Purpose – To agree the Council's response to the government's consultation on planning for schools development.

8. Housing service charges

(Report of the head of neighbourhood and strategic housing)

Purpose - To update members on the review of housing service charges.

9. Introduction of new executive arrangements

(Report of the head of legal and democratic services)

Purpose – To consider the response to the consultation and the introduction and operation of new forms of executive arrangements under the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act, 2007.

10. Petitions scheme

(Report of the head of legal and democratic services)

Purpose – To consider the requirements of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act, 2009 relating to petitions.

11. Norwich Independent climate change commission (NICC)

(Report of the transformation programme manager)

Purpose - To consider the Norwich Independent Climate Change Commission report (NICCC) "Taking pride in a people's low carbon friendly city".

12. Exclusion of the public

Consideration of exclusion of the public.

13. Threescore Bowthorpe - Exemplar first phase

(Report of the assistant director city development)

Purpose – This report seeks members approval to prepare a brief to procure an development partner to deliver an exemplar first phase of development at Threescore Bowthorpe

This report is not for publication because it would disclose information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) as in para 3 of schedule 12a to the local government act 1972.

14. Fibre optic broadband proposals for Norwich

(Report of the head of economic development)

Purpose – To inform cabinet members about an offer to install a high speed fibre-optic broadband network in Norwich and request approval to enter into a no-commitment agreement to explore the feasibility of implementing the proposal across the city.

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15. Managing assets

(Report of the assistant director – city development)

Purpose - To seek approval for the decommissioning of council owned properties following the principles agreed in the managing assets executive report of 24 February 2010. This will provide additional funds for the housing capital programme and have the best possible outcomes relating to Norwich City Council's Corporate Plan strategic objectives and 30 year plan. In addition this report seeks approval to apply to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government for approval to dispose of identified assets where necessary.

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16. Barrack Street letting

(Report of the head of asset and city management)

Purpose – To report a proposed new letting.

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authority holding that information) as in para 3 of schedule 12a to the local government act 1972.

17. Norwich Playhouse Theatre

(Report of the head of communications and culture)

Purpose - To seek approval to accept sums from a third party by way of discharge of a loan secured against.

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18. Savings and efficiencies programme and redundancies (to follow)

(Report of the deputy chief executive)

Purpose - To seek agreement to the costs of redundancies

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- result in the council incurring expenditure which is, or making savings which are, significant in relation to the council’s total budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
- be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the Norwich city area.



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