



CABINET

Date: **Wednesday 26 March 2014**
Time: **5.30 pm**
Venue: **Mancroft room, City Hall**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Councillors:

Arthur (chair)
Waters (vice chair)
Bremner
Kendrick
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Stonard

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AGENDA

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1. Apologies

To receive apologies for absence

2. Public questions / petitions

To receive questions / petitions from the public (notice to be given to committee officer by 10.00am 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 meeting held on 5 February 2014.

Strategy

5. Next steps on financial inclusion

(Report of executive head of strategy, people and democracy)

Purpose - To consider the next steps on the council's approach to financial inclusion and wider work to reduce inequalities and promote wellbeing.

6. The night time economy

(Report of deputy chief executive (operations))

Purpose - To consider an action plan that will help mitigate the impacts of the night time economy

7. NPS Norwich Business Plan: 2014/15 – KEY DECISION

(Report of deputy chief executive (operations))

Purpose - To consider the 2014-15 NPS Norwich Ltd business plan

8. Heritage investment strategy

(Report of deputy chief executive (operations))

Purpose - To consider the *Heritage investment strategy* which will help inform future management decisions on heritage assets which are owned by the city council.

9. Discretionary business rate relief policies: Retail Relief and New Build Empty Property Relief – KEY DECISION

(Report of executive head of service, business relationship management)

Purpose - To consider the policy and implementation of the two new temporary business rate reliefs

10. Discretionary business rate relief policy (excluding mandatory and not for profit) – KEY DECISION

(Report of executive head of service, business relationship management)

Purpose - To consider the implementation of the discretionary business rate relief policy (excluding discretionary relief for charitable and not for profit organisations)

Performance and resources

11. Quarter 3 2013-14 Performance Report

(Report of executive head of strategy, people and democracy)

Purpose - To report progress against the delivery of the corporate plan priorities and key performance measures for quarter 3 of 2013 - 14

12. Annual environmental statement

(Report of executive head of strategy, people and democracy)

Purpose - To consider the annual Environmental Statement for 2012-13

13. Revenue budget monitoring 2013-14 P10

(Report of chief finance officer)

Purpose - To update cabinet on the financial position as at 31 January 2014, the forecast outturn for the year 2013-14, and the consequent forecast general fund and housing revenue account balances.

14. Corporate risk register

(Report of chief finance officer)

Purpose - To update members on the key risks facing the council and the associated mitigating actions.

Commissioning

15. Review of partnerships, business relationships and grants

(Report of executive head of strategy, people and democracy)

Purpose - To consider the council's key external relationships for 2014-15 including partnerships, business relationships and grants.

- 16. Award of two contracts to advise on structural repairs and improvements to council housing properties – KEY DECISION**
(Report of deputy chief executive (operations))

Purpose - To consider the award of the new contract for housing responsive structural advice & the extension of the current contract for housing planned structural advice

- 17. Placement of insurance contracts – KEY DECISION**
(Report of chief finance officer)

Purpose - To consider the outcome of a tender process for the council's insurance arrangements and to consider the appointment of new insurance providers.

Development

- 18. Norwich northern distributor road – process for responding to consultation on the Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (NSIP) application – KEY DECISION**
(Report of deputy chief executive (operations))

Purpose - To consider the process to input into the Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (NSIP) process in an efficient and timely manner.

- 19. Push the Pedalways - Appropriation of housing land around Heathgate for a new cycling and walking route**
(Report of deputy chief executive (operations))

Purpose - To consider the appropriation of a small area of council-owned housing land around Heathgate for the construction of a cycling and walking route between Barrack Street and Gurney Road as part of the Push the Pedalways programme.

- 20. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

Consideration of exclusion of the public.

***21. Managing assets (General fund)**
(Report of deputy chief executive (operations))

Purpose - To agree to the acquisition of small pieces of land into the general fund account in order to facilitate the extension of the Riverside Walk

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***22. Disposal of HRA land**
(Report of deputy chief executive (operations))

Purpose - To consider the freehold disposal of an area of HRA land to the two adjacent land owners, for the purposes of housing development.

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***23. Managing assets (housing) – KEY DECISION**
(Report of deputy chief executive (operations))

Purpose - To outline extensive works required at a council owned property and the options available for its future within the housing stock

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- (a) 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;
- (b) 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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