

COTSWOLD DISTRICT COUNCIL

CABINET

15TH JUNE 2017

Present:

Councillor Mark F Annett - Chairman
Councillor NJW Parsons - Vice-Chairman

Councillors -

Sue Coakley SG Hirst
C Hancock MGE MacKenzie-Charrington

Observers:

SI Andrews AR Brassington

CAB.1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest under the Code of Conduct for Members or Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.

There were no declarations of interest under the Code of Conduct for Officers.

CAB.2 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Cabinet held on 20th April 2017 be approved as a correct record.

Record of Voting - for 4, against 0, abstentions 2, absent 0.

CAB.3 PUBLIC QUESTIONS

No public questions had been submitted.

CAB.4 MEMBER QUESTIONS

No questions had been submitted by Members.

CAB.5 LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Leader referred to the recent fire at Grenfell Tower, London and, on behalf of the Council, expressed sympathy to all those involved in the incident.

CAB.6 DATA PROTECTION POLICY

The Cabinet Member for Enterprise and Partnerships introduced this item.

The Cabinet considered a report detailing updates to the Council's Data Protection Policy, in accordance with current practice requirements which had been set by the Information Commissioners' Office. Officers amplified aspects of the updated Policy, including in respect of the new General Data Protection Regulation, due to take effect in 2018. In response to various questions from Members, Officers outlined the measures introduced by the Council to protect access to data through the use of various devices. It was noted that an alternative solution to e-mails for Councillors was being developed and testing of a prototype would be in the next few weeks, and it was reported that Members would be offered training in respect of data protection during the Autumn of 2017.

RESOLVED that that the revised Data Protection Policy be approved.

Record of Voting -for 6, against 0, abstentions 0, absent 0.

CAB.7 JOINT EQUALITY POLICY 2017-2020 AND EQUALITY ACTION PLAN

The Cabinet Member for Enterprise and Partnerships introduced this item.

The Cabinet considered a report detailing a joint Equality Policy for the period 2017-2020, including an Equality Action Plan which was specific to this Council.

RESOLVED that the Joint Equality Policy 2017-2020, and the Equality Action Plan, be approved.

Record of Voting - for 6, against 0, abstentions 0, absent 0.

CAB.8 SUMMARY FINANCE/SERVICE PERFORMANCE REPORT - 2016/17 YEAR END

The Leader of the Council introduced this item.

The Cabinet was requested to consider and comment on the Summary Service Performance report for the end of the 2016/17 financial year.

Arising thereon:

(i) the Cabinet welcomed the underspend of £42,056 which had been achieved against budget, despite the risk factors which had been clearly identified;

(ii) it was noted that, overall, there had been a strong and consistent performance across the basket of Performance Indicators, and that the Council had been placed in 3rd position, five places up on 2015/16 and six places up on the base line position. The Cabinet considered this to be an impressive result;

(iii) it was noted that performance in relation to the Building Control Service had improved;

(iv) it was considered that there had been a significant improvement in planning efficiency measures;

(v) it was noted that the Summary Finance/Service Performance report for the year end 2016/17 would be reported to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee at its next Meeting, with any comments from that Committee being circulated to the Cabinet.

RESOLVED that performance for the 2016/17 year end be noted

Record of Voting - for 6, against 0, abstentions 0, absent 0.

CAB.9 SCHEDULE OF DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL AND/OR INDIVIDUAL CABINET MEMBERS

The Cabinet noted a Schedule detailing decisions taken by the Leader of the Council, and the Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Forward Planning.

CAB.10 ISSUE(S) ARISING FROM OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY AND/OR AUDIT

There were no issues arising from Overview and Scrutiny and/or Audit.

CAB.11 OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business that was urgent.

The Meeting commenced at 4.05 p.m. and closed at 4.30 p.m.

Chairman

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