



**Notice of Draft
Decisions of Cabinet -
Thursday, 4 April 2024**

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Claire Bloomer, Tony Dale and Mike McKeown.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest from Members.

There were no declarations of interest from Officers.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the Cabinet meeting of 7 March 2024 were considered as part of the pack.

The Deputy Leader raised the following correction to the wording:

- Minute 250 – page 9 of the document – 6th bullet point – The Deputy Leader proposed the following wording ‘The additional Council Tax revenue from the second homes levy would support affordable housing provision.’

The minutes were proposed by Councillor Joe Harris and seconded by Councillor Evemy.

RESOLVED that, subject to the amendment tabled, the minutes of the meeting of the 7 March 2024 be approved as a correct record.

Voting Record

3 For, Against, 2 Abstention, Absent/Did not vote

4. Leader's Announcements

The Leader announced that Ollie Somervell from the Communications Team had left after 5 years at the Council. The Leader wished to note for the record thanks for all of the work done by Ollie and offer best wishes to them for the future.

It was also noted that the Local Plan consultation and Cirencester Town Centre MasterPlan consultation closes on 7 April and encouraged the public to engage and provide their comments on the plan.

The Leader wished to raise the issue of coach parking in Bourton-on-the-Water and made the following points:



- The Leader attended a meeting hosted by the Member of Parliament for the Cotswolds Sir Geoffrey Clifton-Brown on this issue.
- It was highlighted that this issue was a traffic issue and that the Council's interest is providing community leadership and assisting where it can in finding a solution.
- It was highlighted that the proposal to adjust the use of the Rissington Road car park was not seen as viable due to the revenue budget loss and the large capital funds needed to create a facility for coach parking.
- It was noted that the Council would look at proposals and continue to engage with the communities on solutions.

Finally, the Leader wished to raise that the Council is celebrating its 50th anniversary since its creation in 1974 and that over the summer there would be a number of events to mark the history of the Council.

5. Public Questions

There were no public questions.

6. Member Questions

There were no Member Questions.

7. Issues Arising from Overview and Scrutiny and/or Audit and Governance

There were no recommendations from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or issues arising from the Audit and Governance Committee.

8. Discretionary Rate Relief in excess of £10,000

The purpose of this item was to consider four new applications for discretionary rate relief for the 2023/2024 Business Rates liability in respect of Freedom Leisure, two of which were in excess of £10,000.

The Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance introduced the item and outlined the recommendations to Cabinet.

Cabinet wished to record their thanks to Freedom Leisure for the work being done to deliver leisure services on behalf of the Council.

The recommendations were proposed by Councillor Every and seconded by Councillor Hodgkinson

Voting Record

5 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstentions, 3 Absent/Did not vote



9. Fixed Penalty Notice Policy

The purpose of this item was to consider a new policy for the administration of Fixed Penalty Notices.

The Cabinet Member for Planning and Regulatory Services, Councillor Layton introduced the item and outlined the recommendations to Cabinet.

Councillor Layton proposed the recommendations and Councillor Joe Harris seconded.

RESOLVED: That Cabinet:

- I. APPROVED the Fixed Penalty Notice Policy

Voting Record

5 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstentions, 3 Absent/Did not vote

10. Schedule of Decisions taken by the Leader of the Council and/or Individual Cabinet Members

The purpose of this item was to note any decisions taken by the Leader of the Council and/or individual Cabinet Members.

Cabinet NOTED the Schedule of Decisions taken.

11. Matters exempt from publication

The Leader moved a motion that Cabinet exclude the press and the public from the meeting for consideration of item 12, in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 4(2)(b) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 on the grounds that their presence could involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in specific paragraph 2 and 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, with the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighing the public interest in disclosure.

Councillor Every seconded the motion.

Voting Record

5 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstention, 3 Absent/Did not vote



12. Write off in excess of £5,000

The purpose of this item was to seek approval for the writing off of council tax debt in excess of £5,000.

The Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance introduced this item and outlined the recommendations to Cabinet

The Deputy Leader reaffirmed that the main reason the decision was taken in private session was because that the individual could be identified if the report was in public session.

RESOLVED: That Cabinet

- I. APPROVED the write off of £9,447.95 as detailed within the report

Voting Record

5 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstention, 3 Absent/Did not vote

13. Exempt Annex for Agenda Item 9

Cabinet did not discuss the exempt annex in public or private session.

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