

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CABINET
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 23 NOVEMBER 2011**

COUNCILLORS

PRESENT Doug Taylor (Leader of the Council), Achilleas Georgiou (Deputy Leader), Chris Bond (Cabinet Member for Environment), Bambos Charalambous (Cabinet Member for Culture, Sport and Leisure), Del Goddard (Cabinet Member for Business and Regeneration), Christine Hamilton (Cabinet Member for Community Wellbeing and Public Health), Donald McGowan (Cabinet Member for Adult Services and Care), Ayfer Orhan (Cabinet Member for Children & Young People), Ahmet Oykenar (Cabinet Member for Housing) and Andrew Stafford (Cabinet Member for Finance and Property)

OFFICERS: Rob Leak (Chief Executive), Ian Davis (Director of Environment), Ray James (Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care), Andrew Fraser (Director of Schools & Children's Services), Neil Rousell (Director of Regeneration, Leisure & Culture), James Rolfe (Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services), Asmat Hussain (Assistant Director Legal), John Austin (Assistant Director - Corporate Governance), Simon Tendeter (Assistant Director Communities, Communications, Policy and Performance) and Andrew Golder (Press and New Media Manager) Jacqui Hurst (Secretary)

Also Attending: Councillors Michael Lavender (Minute Nos. 1 and 30 refer), Derek Levy and George Savva.

**1
EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

RESOLVED in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the press and public from the meeting for consideration of agenda item 3 of business listed on part 2 of the agenda on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of confidential information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act (as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006).

Members considered item 3 on the part 2 agenda – Barnet, Enfield and Haringey Clinical Strategy – The Clinical Position at this point in the meeting. Councillor Michael Lavender (Leader of the Opposition) was in attendance for this item. Minute No.30 below details the discussion on the item.

Members of the public were then invited to return to the Cabinet meeting for the discussion of the part one items.

2

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

3

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillor Don McGowan (Cabinet Member for Adult Services and Care) declared a personal interest in Report Nos. 143 and 146 – Integrated Care and Support Service for People with Learning Disabilities, in his capacity as a Council representative on the Board of the parent company (Newlon Housing Association) of the successful tenderer (Minute Nos.16 and 29 below refer).

Councillor Del Goddard (Cabinet Member for Business and Regeneration) declared a personal interest in Report No.141 – Update Report on the Behaviour Support Service at St.Mary’s, Lawrence Road, Edmonton and the Craig Park My Place Scheme, in his capacity as Chairman of the Management Committee of the Pupil Referral Unit (PRU) (Minute No.14 below refers).

4

URGENT ITEMS

NOTED that the reports listed on the agenda had been circulated in accordance with the requirements of the Council’s Constitution and the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Amendment Regulations 2002. These requirements state that agendas and reports should be circulated at least 5 clear days in advance of meetings.

5

DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS

NOTED that no requests for deputations (with or without petitions) had been received for presentation to this Cabinet meeting.

6

ITEMS TO BE REFERRED TO THE COUNCIL

NOTED that a report on the Health and Wellbeing Board – Terms of Reference would be referred to full Council at the appropriate time; when the current Bill became an Act of Parliament (Minute No.13 below refers).

7

PROGRESS REPORT ON BUDGET PREPARATION FOR 2012/13 AND REVIEW OF THE MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN

Councillor Andrew Stafford (Cabinet Member for Finance and Property) introduced the report of the Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services (No.134) outlining the progress made to date in the preparation of the 2012/13 budget (including the Housing Revenue Account), review of the Medium Term Financial Plan and Capital Programme.

NOTED

1. that the report proposed savings measures totalling £11.214m as detailed in Appendix A to the report;
2. the financial pressures and risks which were being faced by the Council, as referred to in paragraph 3.4 of the report;
3. the current position with regard to the general economy and the situation for Enfield in particular, as set out in paragraph 4.1 of the report;
4. Members highlighted the negative effects of the Government's public spending cuts and the damping system, as detailed in paragraph 4.2 of the report;
5. the demographic changes and pressures being faced by the Authority as set out in paragraph 4.4 of the report;
6. the proposals for the budget setting and medium term financial plan, detailed in section 5 of the report. Members noted the objectives of the Leaner Programme as set out in full in paragraph 5.4 of the report;
7. the Council's Capital programme was on course, section 6 of the report referred. In order to increase the level of capital receipts and reduce the requirement for external borrowing, a review of potential sites for disposal had been undertaken. Progress on the proposed disposals programme would be reported to future Cabinet meetings;
8. that Members' attention was drawn to the opportunities and risks of new Government legislation, as set out in section 7 of the report;
9. the current economic climate and the increasing pressures being faced by the Authority, for example in increasing unemployment. The report highlighted a number of important issues. A budget green paper on other savings measures (totalling £1.040m) would be fully consulted on with the public and key stakeholders. The issues facing the Authority would be highlighted;

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10. that the proposed dates for the Overview and Scrutiny Budget meeting and the February Council meeting would be agreed by the Leader of the Council and the Cabinet Member for Finance and Property, in consultation with the Assistant Director Corporate Governance.

Alternative Options Considered: NOTED that the Council was fully committed to delivering a balanced budget for the next four years with Council Tax levels as low as possible. As such no alternative options had been considered.

DECISION: The Cabinet agreed to

1. note the progress made to date in the preparation of the 2012/13 budget;
2. approve the savings measures totalling £11.214m as set out in Appendix A of the report;
3. note that additional savings to produce a balanced budget in 2012/13 would be subject to further scrutiny and consultation;
4. delegate responsibility for determining the manner of informing and consulting with Scrutiny Panels on the 2012/13 budget to the Cabinet Member for Finance and Property in consultation with the Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services.

Reason: To ensure that Members were aware of the progress made to date with the 2012/13 budget and the review of the Medium Term Capital and Revenue Plans.

(Key decision – reference number 3342)

8

REVENUE MONITORING REPORT SEPTEMBER 2011

Councillor Andrew Stafford (Cabinet Member for Finance and Property) introduced the report of the Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services (No.135) setting out the Council's revenue budget monitoring position based on information to the end of September 2011.

NOTED

1. the significant level of savings which had been achieved in 2011/12 as set out in the report. A summary of the departmental and corporate projected outturns and variances against budget were noted as detailed in section 4 of the report. The budget pressures and projected savings were set out in full in section 5 of the report;
2. the Treasury Management position since the end of September as set out in section 6 of the report;

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3. the achievement of savings as detailed in section 8 of the report, there were no longer any savings in the red category and only 10% remaining in the amber category. This was an outstanding performance by the Council. The report confirmed that there had been no deterioration in the financial position of the Authority.

Alternative Options Considered: Not applicable to this report.

DECISION: The Cabinet

1. noted the revenue outturn projection of £119k overspend in 2011/12;
2. agreed that departments reporting pressures should formulate and implement action plans to ensure that they remain within budget in 2011/12;
3. agreed that £120k be allocated to support the Secondary School places pressure as set out in paragraph 5.6 of the report.

Reason: To ensure that Members were aware of the projected budgetary position for the Authority, including all major budget pressures and underspends which had contributed to the present monthly position and that were likely to affect the final outturn.

(Key decision – reference number 3341)

9

CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITOR - SECOND QUARTER SEPTEMBER 2011 - BUDGET YEAR 2011-12

Councillor Andrew Stafford (Cabinet Member for Finance and Property) introduced the report of the Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services (No.136) informing Members of the current position regarding the Council's 2011 to 2015 capital programme taking into account the latest re-profiling information for all capital schemes.

NOTED

1. the detail of the 2011/12 capital budget as set out in section 4 of the report. The report summarised the overall re-profiling of the budget for the current year and additional capital items for 2011/12;
2. the funding which had been provided to enable the completion of the QEII stadium and the additional funding provided for West Lea School, as set out in the report;
3. the principal elements of the HRA Capital Programme were the delivery of the Decent Homes and general works programmes, leasehold buybacks and the provision of grants to vacate. There had been no slippage reported within the programme schemes at this stage;

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4. the summary of the capital programme 2011-12 to 2014-15 and the financing of capital expenditure as set out in section 5 of the report. Members noted the importance of the Council's capital disposals programme in securing funding for future capital expenditure;
5. that Appendix A to the report provided full details of the schemes within the capital programme 2011-2015. Approximately £53m had been allocated to schools projects alone this financial year.

Alternative Options Considered: None.

DECISION: The Cabinet

1. agreed the updated re-profiled four year programme;
2. approved the additional capital items as detailed in Table 2 of the report;
3. noted the reduction in unsupported borrowing of £22.1m and the subsequent reduction in revenue costs of the capital programme.

Reason: To inform Members of the current position regarding the Council's 2011 to 2015 capital programme.

(Key decision – reference number 3407)

10

SECONDARY PUPIL PLACES - 10 YEAR STRATEGY

Councillor Ayfer Orhan (Cabinet Member for Children and Young People) introduced the report of the Director of Schools and Children's Services (No.137) setting out the most recent pupil number projections which indicated a requirement to provide substantial numbers of additional secondary school places.

Councillor Orhan expressed her thanks and appreciation to the Director of Schools and Children's Services and his officers for the considerable work which had been undertaken in formulating the ten year strategy now being presented to Members.

NOTED

1. the best options available to the Council within the restrictions of Government policies and funding levels, were being presented for Members' consideration. Members noted the way forward with regard to the provision of new schools through academies and free schools, as detailed in full in the report;
2. the negative effects on the Council's previous strategy through the Government's decision to withdraw funding through the Building

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Schools for the Future programme, as detailed in paragraph 3.2 of the report;

3. the need for a significant increase in the provision of secondary school places as set out in the report. The detailed projections were outlined in paragraph 5.6 of the report. The Council would need to investigate creative and alternative ways in which to attract the necessary funding through working with individuals and organisations with the same values as the Council. A flexibility of 2.5% had been built into the calculations to ensure that the Council was prepared for and able to meet future demand;
4. that it would be challenging to find the sites required for new secondary school provision in the Borough. Option 2, set out in the report, was being recommended to Members as this provided flexibility in moving forward by exploring both the provision of new academies and the expansion of existing schools, as detailed in full in section 6.2 of the report;
5. that the pupil projections would be reviewed regularly and any changes in circumstances taken into account in moving forward. Clarity of available funding would continue to be sought from the Department of Education and the Council would lobby appropriately in order to highlight the Council's needs;
6. in response to questions raised by Councillor Charalambous, Andrew Fraser (Director of Schools and Children's Services) outlined the Council's work with neighbouring Boroughs and the situation with regard to PFI funding;
7. that discussions had taken place with Secondary Headteachers on the proposals detailed in the report. Members were reassured that Option 2 set out in the report provided for a flexible approach to be adopted with the ability to respond to any local changes and new legislation.

Alternative Options Considered: NOTED

1. that all secondary schools had been reviewed to explore whether there were opportunities to admit additional pupils. The schools identified in paragraph 6.2 of the report had the most potential to admit additional pupils provided that sufficient classrooms and ancillary teaching spaces etc were provided.
2. the restructuring of the school day and using the building for two separate sessions had been considered. Although a clear advantage would be the potential to double the use of the school building, there were many implications (operational and financial) that were currently difficult to quantify. Officers were not aware of any other Local Authorities or Academies currently managing schools in this way. Issues include reducing the availability of the building for community and extended school use, staffing and recruitment issues, how to

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manage which pupil attends either session, problems for parents around working hours and increased maintenance and energy costs. It is therefore not considered to be an option at this time. However, there may be the potential to explore extended use by the 16-19 sector, by implementing a third teaching session (e.g. after normal school hours) which may help to provide additional capacity for the post 16 provision. It is intended to explore this option in more detail through further consultation with secondary headteachers.

DECISION: The Cabinet agreed

1. to formally adopt Option 2 (paragraph 6.2 of the report referred) as the Secondary Pupil Places Ten Year Strategy, to be revised annually;
2. to approve a full search of the Borough in order to identify suitable sites for the location of up to three new academies in addition to the proposed academy in Bell Lane;
3. to approve the commissioning of feasibility studies at schools identified in paragraph 6.2 of the report to include traffic, transport and planning implications;
4. to note that Statutory Notices would be published where there was a planned increase to the Admission Number for a particular school;
5. to note that previous consultation in relation to the Meridian Water development had proposed a 6 form entry school and recommended that an 8 form of entry school be provided at Meridian Water, opening September 2016;
6. to recommend that the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People was authorised to initiate and support the development of sponsor-led proposals for the proposed academies and endorse appropriate proposals in order to access government funding for the benefit of local children;
7. to recommend that a further strategy be developed in relation to the provision of Special School places over the primary and secondary age groups.

Reason: The local authority had an overriding statutory duty to provide sufficient pupil places to meet anticipated demand as near as possible to the areas of this demand. This duty could not be discharged with the current capacity of the Borough's secondary schools. The recommendation to adopt Option 2 as the Secondary Strategy would allow a planned incremental expansion of existing schools, but would also maximise opportunities to secure funding from central government for new schools.

(Key decision – reference number 3361)

11

ENFIELD VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY SECTOR FRAMEWORK 2012-2017

Councillor Christine Hamilton (Cabinet Member for Community Wellbeing and Public Health) introduced the report of the Chief Executive (No.138) outlining a new framework document that defines how the Council works with and would support its Voluntary and Community Sector partners.

NOTED

1. that the Framework set out the intentions of the Council to work with its partners in the Voluntary and Community sector to deliver high quality services, as set out in section 1 of the report. It was envisaged that from April 2012, the Council and its Voluntary and Community sector partners would universally adopt the framework to enable consistent and transparent joint working in the future;
2. that the framework was based on 5 clear principles as set out in paragraph 3.5 of the report;
3. that the framework was supported by the Corporate Management Board. The principles would be rolled out across the Council and a standardised approach across Departments would be adopted;
4. that a review of umbrella organisations has been commissioned, a rigorous process of review and examination of options going forward will guide how we provide these functions in future. There was a clear commitment to resolve long term issues around how accommodation for the sector was allocated and managed. Members were aware of historical inconsistencies and welcomed the reviews and proposed way forward.

Alternative Options Considered: NOTED that alternative options considered were to not address the issues raised by not having a formal framework within which to conduct the Council's working relationship with the Voluntary and Community sector. This had been rejected on the grounds that a key delivery partner such as the Voluntary and Community sector was too important not to attempt to create formal protocols that could define the Council's relationship clearly and set the parameters for working together in the future.

DECISION: The Cabinet considered the contents of the framework and approved the document as set out in Appendix 1 to the report.

Reason: The recommendation to approve the Framework was based on the commitment to achieve the 3 strategic aims of Enfield Council to support Fairness for All, Growth and Sustainability, and Stronger Communities. The inconsistencies that had prevailed in recent years on how the Council supports and does business with the Voluntary and Community sector were

apparent and not to take action would not be consistent with the aims of the Council.

(Key decision – reference number 3359)

12

ENFIELD COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING FUND 2012-2015

Councillor Christine Hamilton (Cabinet Member for Community Wellbeing and Public Health) introduced the report of the Chief Executive (No.139) setting out proposals for the Enfield Community Capacity Building Fund 2012-2015.

NOTED the detailed proposals as set out in the report. It was intended to roll-out the project by the new financial year. A further report would be submitted to Cabinet in April 2012.

Alternative Options Considered: NOTED that the alternative options considered were to:

- Not to commence with the Fund and hence not enact an agreed budgetary commitment.
- Reduce the financial commitment to the Fund and therefore reduce its ability to positively impact on the lives of our residents.

DECISION: The Cabinet

1. considered the report and approved the Fund as set out in the appendix to the report;
2. noted the explanation of the relevant well-being objectives underpinning the use of the power under s.2 of the Local Government Act 2000 to support this scheme;
3. agreed to approve:
 - (a) the principles, eligibility criteria and operating proposals for implementing the Enfield Community Capacity Building Fund outlined in the guidance and toolkit appended to the report;
 - (b) the commissioning and administrative procedures for the fund, as outlined within the guidance and toolkit;
 - (c) A Cabinet Sub-Committee comprising 3 Members agreed by Cabinet as the decision making body for projects coming forward on an annual basis (the Members of the Sub-Committee would be confirmed at the next meeting of the Cabinet);
 - (d) Bi-yearly progress reports to be provided to Cabinet.

Reason: The recommendations were based on the commitment to achieve the 3 strategic aims of Enfield Council to support Fairness for All, Growth and Sustainability, and Stronger Communities and enact an agreed budgetary decision. Whilst considerable efforts had been made so far by the Council and its partners to build capacity in our communities and help people fulfil their potential there was still much inequality and deprivation in Enfield that needed

to be addressed. The need for Members to note the explanation of the relevant well-being objectives underpinning the use of the power under s.2 Local Government Act 2000 to support this scheme.

(Key decision – reference number 3358)

13

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD - TERMS OF REFERENCE

Councillor Don McGowan (Cabinet Member for Adult Services and Care) introduced the report of the Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care (No.140) seeking approval to the setting up of a Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board.

NOTED

1. the proposals for the establishment of Health and Wellbeing Boards as set out in the report. Health and Wellbeing Boards should be in place from April 2013, with shadow boards in place from April 2012. The establishment of the Board would be ratified by full Council at the appropriate time;
2. that three delivery groups composed of partner agencies would be used to ensure that partnership working was operationally effective, as set out in paragraph 1.3 of the report;
3. in response to a question raised by Enfield Voluntary Action, it was noted that despite the statutory membership of the Health and Wellbeing Boards in the proposed Health and Social Care Bill 2011 not including the third sector; it was agreed that the third sector would be asked to elect 2 representatives for the board, to ensure one voting representative could always be present;
4. that the Shadow Board would have a limited range of powers under the current Bill, the Cabinet was not delegating any Executive functions at this stage. The proposed arrangements would enable constructive discussions to continue with the Council's partners.

Alternative Options Considered: It is likely to become a statutory obligation of the local authority to create a Health and Wellbeing Board through the proposed Health and Social Care Bill 2011, therefore no alternative option had been considered.

DECISION: The Cabinet agreed to

1. approve the setting up of the shadow board to be ratified at full Council at the appropriate time;
2. the Terms of Reference for the Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board (as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report);

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3. to approve the Member representation on the Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board to be the Cabinet Members for:
 - Adult Services and Care
 - Community Wellbeing and Public Health
 - Children and Young People
4. note the anticipated statutory requirements relating to setting up of Shadow Health and Wellbeing Boards.

Reason: It is a statutory obligation of the local authority to create a Health and Wellbeing Board through the proposed Health and Social Care Bill 2011.

(Key decision – reference number 3390)

14

UPDATE REPORT ON THE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT SERVICE AT ST.MARY'S, LAWRENCE ROAD, EDMONTON AND THE CRAIG PARK MY PLACE SCHEME

Councillor Del Goddard (Cabinet Member for Business and Regeneration) had declared a personal interest in the report, Minute No.3 above refers.

Councillor Ayfer Orhan (Cabinet Member for Children and Young People) introduced the report of the Director of Schools and Children's Services (No.141) updating Members on the purchase of and proposed re-provision of accommodation for the Behaviour Support Service at St.Mary's Lawrence Road, Edmonton and, the progress of the My Place Scheme at Craig Park Youth Centre.

NOTED

1. the contents of the update report;
2. the background and current position with regard to the Pupil Referral Unit (PRU) scheme as set out in section 3 of the report. The negative effect of the scrapping of the Building Schools for the Future (BSF) Programme in July 2010 was highlighted. The current situation was not acceptable and Members supported the proposed way forward. It was hoped that the Unit would operate on a new site by September 2013;
3. the importance of providing an improved facility for the young people involved; the proposals would also present considerable benefits to the locality of the provision;
4. Councillor Charalambous highlighted the good work which had been undertaken at the Craig Park My Place Scheme and expressed his support for the proposed way forward as set out in the report.

Alternative Options Considered: None at this stage.

Reason: The report was for information only.
(Non key)

15

AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR CARE AND SUPPORT SERVICES AT ALCAZAR COURT EXTRA CARE SCHEME

Councillor Don McGowan (Cabinet Member for Adult Services and Care) introduced the report of the Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care (No.142) seeking approval to award a contract for care and support services at Alcazar Court.

NOTED

1. that Report No.145 also referred as detailed in Minute No.28 below;
2. the tendering process which had been carried out as set out in the report. Service Users from the “older adults” client group had been actively involved in the decision making process. The proposed contract award would provide improvements for service users and represent value for money.

Alternative Options Considered: Extending the existing contract with variation as set out in paragraphs 3.8 and 3.9 of the report. Spot Purchase of domiciliary care packages with a separate support service: this would not deliver the flexible, co-ordinated care and support service model required for extra care.

DECISION: The Cabinet agreed to endorse the recommendation to award a contract for care and support services at Alcazar Court to Tenderer C.

Reason: Tenderers had submitted responses to the ITT as part of a transparent and fair competitive procurement process in accordance with the Council’s Contract Procedure Rules. All responses had been robustly evaluated for quality and price. The key elements of the recommended Tenderer’s bid (as detailed in Report No.145) confirm the recommended Tenderer’s bid as representing the best overall value in terms of quality, price and service user satisfaction.

(Key decision – reference number 3248)

16

INTEGRATED CARE AND SUPPORT SERVICE FOR PEOPLE WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES

Councillor Don McGowan (Cabinet Member for Adult Services and Care) had declared a personal interest in the following report, Minute No.3 above referred.

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Ray James (Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care) introduced his report (No.143) providing an overview of the commissioning, tendering and evaluation process.

NOTED

1. that Report No.146 also referred, as detailed in Minute No.29 below;
2. the tendering exercise which had been carried out, as set out in the report. Officers had worked with service users and their families as part of the evaluation process.

Alternative Options Considered: To allow the block contract to expire and revert to spot purchasing arrangements. This would result in higher prices, an un-stabilised market rate, diminished control on service quality and the inability to guarantee sufficient supply.

DECISION: The Cabinet

1. approved the award of contract of the Integrated Care and Support Contract for a period of three years with an option to extend for up to a further two years, subject to satisfactory performance of the selected provider;
2. noted that the details of the successful tenderers and financial impact considered were included within Report No.146 (Minute No.29 below refers).

Reason: Tenderers had been subject to a comprehensive evaluation procedure and the tender group was satisfied that the selected organisations had demonstrated the ability to meet or exceed all of the evaluation requirements and comply with the requirements of the service specification and contract.

(Key decision – reference number 3226)

17

ISSUES ARISING FROM THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL/SCRUTINY PANELS

NOTED that no items had been received for consideration at this meeting.

18

CABINET AGENDA PLANNING - FUTURE ITEMS

NOTED the provisional list of items scheduled for future Cabinet meetings.

19

KEY DECISIONS FOR INCLUSION ON THE COUNCIL'S FORWARD PLAN

NOTED, that the next Forward Plan was due to be published on 16 December 2011, this would cover the period from 1 January to 30 April 2012.

20

MINUTES OF THE POLICY CABINET SUB-COMMITTEE - 15 SEPTEMBER 2011

NOTED, for information, the minutes of a meeting of the Policy Cabinet Sub-Committee held on 15 September 2011.

Members noted that the Localism Bill had now become an Act.

21

MINUTES OF THE ENFIELD RESIDENTS' PRIORITY FUND CABINET SUB-COMMITTEE - 19 SEPTEMBER 2011

NOTED, for information, the minutes of a meeting of the Enfield Residents' Priority Fund Cabinet Sub-Committee held on 19 September 2011.

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MINUTES OF THE ENFIELD RESIDENTS' PRIORITY FUND CABINET SUB-COMMITTEE - 31 OCTOBER 2011

NOTED, for information, the minutes of a meeting of the Enfield Residents' Priority Fund Cabinet Sub-Committee held on 31 October 2011.

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MINUTES OF THE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK CABINET SUB-COMMITTEE - 1 NOVEMBER 2011

NOTED, for information, the minutes of a meeting of the Local Development Framework Cabinet Sub-Committee held on 1 November 2011.

Councillor Del Goddard (Cabinet Member for Business and Regeneration) highlighted the three significant issues which had been considered by the Sub-Committee:

- Towards Pre-Submission Stage Document for the North Circular Area Action Plan – this was now subject to a 12 week consultation period; Members were invited to submit any comments within this period.
- Local Development Framework Section 106 Supplementary Planning Document Adoption Report.
- Pre-Feasibility Study into a Decentralised Energy Network in the Upper Lee Valley – “ULV DE Network Masterplan”.

**24
MINUTES**

AGREED that the minutes of the previous meeting of the Cabinet held on 12 October 2011 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

**25
ENFIELD STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP FEEDBACK**

NOTED that there were no written updates to report to this meeting.

Members requested that written updates be circulated at the next Cabinet meeting on the recent ESP Away-day and the December Board meeting.

**26
DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

NOTED that the next meeting of the Cabinet was scheduled to take place on Wednesday 14 December 2011 at 8.15pm at the Civic Centre.

**27
EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

RESOLVED in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the press and public from the meeting for the items of business listed on part 2 of the agenda on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of confidential information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act (as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006).

**28
AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR CARE AND SUPPORT SERVICES AT
ALCAZAR COURT EXTRA CARE SCHEME**

Councillor Don McGowan (Cabinet Member for Adult Services and Care) introduced the report of the Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care (No.145).

NOTED

1. that Report No.142 also referred as detailed in Minute No.15 above;
2. the results of the evaluation, the individual scoring elements and the financial implications as set out in the report;
3. that the recommended contract award would provide significant efficiency savings, as detailed in the report;

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4. Members discussed the scoring mechanisms in relation to the involvement of service users and noted the lessons to be learned for the future. Service users had valued their engagement in the process;
5. Ray James (Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care) reassured Members of the robustness of the processes which had been followed and the quality assessments which had been carried out. The chosen tenderer was well-placed to meet the diverse needs of service users. Individuals' needs would be assessed and effective individual care packages put in place.

Alternative Options Considered: As detailed in Report No.142, Minute No.15 above refers.

DECISION: The Cabinet agreed to endorse the recommendation to award a contract for care and support services at Alcazar Court to Tenderer C, as detailed in the report.

Reason: As detailed in section 5 of the report.
(Key decision – reference number 3248)

(Exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 (information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)) of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 as amended).

29

INTEGRATED CARE AND SUPPORT SERVICE FOR PEOPLE WITH LEARNING DIFFICULTIES

Councillor Don McGowan (Cabinet Member for Adult Services and Care) had declared a personal interest in this report, Minute No.3 above refers.

Ray James (Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care) introduced his report (No.146) providing details of the commercially sensitive tender information related to Report No.143.

NOTED

1. that Report No.143 also referred as detailed in Minute No.16 above;
2. that the figure detailed in paragraph 2.2 of the report was incorrect and should be as stated in paragraph 6.1 of the report;
3. the criteria and scoring mechanisms used as set out in the report;
4. that overall reduction in costs resulting in significant savings, as detailed in the report. The new contract would also result in benefits to the service users;

5. the results of the evaluation, as outlined in the report, which had been subject to a rigorous challenge and checking process.

Alternative Options Considered: As detailed in Report No.143, Minute No.16 above refers.

DECISION: The Cabinet

1. noted the list of organisations invited to tender for the Integrated Care and Support Contract for people with Learning Disabilities and the responses received;
2. agreed to award the contract to the tenderer detailed in the report, for the annual contract value as detailed in the report, for a 3 year period with an option to extend for a further 2 years. The letting of this contract would enable a partnership approach to be adopted to remodel the Carterhatch site into a hub of strategically planned specialist services for people with learning disabilities who live in Enfield.

Reason: As detailed in Report No.143, Minute No.16 above refers.

(Key decision – reference number 3226)

(Exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 (information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)) of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 as amended).

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BARNET, ENFIELD AND HARINGEY CLINICAL STRATEGY - THE COUNCIL'S POSITION

This item was considered at the beginning of the Cabinet meeting. The minutes follow the order of the printed agenda. Councillor Michael Lavender (Leader of the Opposition) was present for the discussion of this item.

Councillor Doug Taylor (Leader of the Council) provided Members with an update on the Council's position with regard to the Barnet, Enfield and Haringey Clinical Strategy. The Council had today received responses from the three parties which the Council had served with a letter before action. The responses would now need to be considered by the Council's external legal adviser and the way forward by the Council would then need to be determined. Any decision would need to be taken without delay and it was therefore recommended that the Cabinet delegate authority to the Leader of the Council to act on behalf of the Cabinet in accordance with the Cabinet's urgency procedures. The urgency procedures would also waive the right of call-in; the Leader of the Opposition would be briefed on the Council's proposed decision.

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AGREED that delegated authority be given to the Leader of the Council to act on behalf of the Cabinet in accordance with the Cabinet's urgency procedures, Chapter 4.3, paragraph 12 of the Council's Constitution referred.

(Exempt information as defined in Paragraph 5 (information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings) of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 as amended).