

MINUTE
of
CABINET

Minute of Meeting held at 10.00am in the Council Chamber, Council Headquarters, Giffnock on 23 April 2015.

Present:

Councillor Jim Fletcher (Leader)	Councillor Mary Montague
Councillor Tony Buchanan (Deputy Leader)	Councillor Vincent Waters
Councillor Elaine Green	

Councillor Fletcher, Leader, in the Chair

Attending:

Lorraine McMillan, Chief Executive; Andy Cahill, Director of Environment; Margaret McCrossan, Head of Accountancy (Chief Financial Officer); Iain MacLean, Head of Environment (Planning, Property and Regeneration); Candy Millard, Head of Strategic Services; and Paul O'Neil, Committee Services Officer.

Apologies:

Councillors Danny Devlin; Alan Lafferty; and Ian McAlpine.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

1532. There were no declarations of interest intimated.

CABINET WORK PLAN 2014/15 PROGRESS AND CABINET WORK PLAN 2015/16

1533. The Cabinet considered a report by the Chief Executive, providing an update on the progress made against the 2014/15 Cabinet Work Plan and submitting for consideration the draft work plan for 2015/16. Full details of progress made against the 2014/15 Plan together with a copy of the draft Plan for 2015/16 were appended to the report.

Whilst noting that the Plan set out a forward programme of strategy and policy work along with key routine areas of business covering budget and performance monitoring, the report highlighted that overall good progress had been made against the Plan in 2014/15 with three quarters of the business being considered by the Cabinet or Council within the stated timescales detailed within the Plan or the following month. The majority of the remainder of business had been considered by the Cabinet within 2 to 3 months of the stated time.

The report also highlighted that the work plan for 2015/16 was based on the considerable amount of routine Cabinet business for which timescales were known in advance, such as planned strategy and policy developments, as well as regular cycles of financial and performance management monitoring reports.

It was noted that as the Community Health and Care Partnership and Education Department had separate committee arrangements, their contribution to the work plan was based on input to cross-cutting strategies, corporate performance monitoring reports and strategy and policy work within Cultural Services.

The Cabinet:-

- (a) noted the performance against the work plan for 2014/15;
- (b) approved the content of the draft work plan for 2015/16; and
- (c) agreed that progress against the Plan be reviewed in April 2016 and updated on an annual basis thereafter.

REMIT - COMMUNITY HEALTH AND CARE PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE – A CORPORATE APPROACH TO BREASTFEEDING POLICY AND WELCOME ACCREDITATION

1534. Under reference to the Minute of the meeting of the Community Health and Care Partnership Committee of 1 April 2015, when it was agreed amongst other things to endorse the East Renfrewshire Council 'Breastfeeding Policy and Guidance', to the roll out of Breastfeeding Welcome Accreditation for all Council and to remit the report to the Cabinet for approval, the Cabinet considered a report by the Director of Community Health and Care Partnership, providing an update on the progress made to date in relation to the achievement of Breastfeeding Welcome Accreditation for all premises and to outline key priorities and actions required to progress the matter.

Whilst emphasising the need for sustained action to increase breastfeeding rates locally, the report indicated that the adoption of a corporate breastfeeding policy and approach to 'Breastfeeding Welcome' accreditation was a key area of action in support of this objective. It was noted that a cohesive partnership approach across a range of agencies was also required to progress this agenda.

The Cabinet approved the corporate approach to Breastfeeding Policy and Welcome accreditation.

Resolution to Exclude Press and Public

At this point in the meeting, on the motion of the Leader, the Cabinet unanimously resolved that in accordance with the provisions of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 6 and 9 of Part I of Schedule 7A to the Act.

BARRHEAD SOUTH STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY – PROPOSED COLLABORATION AGREEMENT

1535. The Cabinet considered a report by the Director of Environment, seeking approval to enter into a collaboration agreement with the owners/developers of the 3 adjacent sites within the Barrhead South Strategic Development Opportunity (SDO) to facilitate the development of shared infrastructure serving the 3 sites which together made up the Barrhead South SDO. A copy of the current draft of the collaboration agreement was appended to the report.

The Cabinet:-

- (a) approved the proposal to enter into a collaboration agreement with the owners/developers of the 3 adjacent sites within the Barrhead South Strategic Development Opportunity (SDO); and
- (b) agreed that delegated powers be granted to the Director of Environment, in consultation with the Chief Officer (Legal and Procurement) to finalise terms.

PROPOSED CHRISTMAS SHUTDOWN AND CHANGES TO PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

1536. The Cabinet noted that the report had been withdrawn.

CHAIR

