

COUNTY COUNCIL – 13 DECEMBER 2011

REPORT OF THE CABINET

Cabinet Member: Deputy Leader

1. Establishment Review – November 2011

(Cabinet, 15 November 2011)

Cabinet noted a report that gave an update on activity since the implementation of the Establishment Review and associated Recruitment Approval process on 1 August 2005. Details of the agreed establishment figure at 30 September 2011 in terms of Full Time Equivalents was provided, together with the detailed staffing position at 30 September 2011. The report also contained information on grant funded posts and those vacancies which are being covered by agency staff and at what cost.

Cabinet Member: Children, Young People & Families

2. Progress Report on CLA and Leaving Care

(Cabinet, 15 November 2011)

Cabinet considered one of a regular series of reports that came to Cabinet on its role as legal "Corporate Parent" to the Children and Young People Looked After by the Council, and those Leaving Care to live independently.

Cabinet agreed their continued support for the Corporate Parenting Strategy and noted the information on outcomes for looked After Children and the associated performance measures.

Cabinet Member: Finance & Property

3. 2011/12 Financial Monitoring & Business Strategy Delivery Report September 2011

(Cabinet, 15 November 2011)

Cabinet considered a report that set out the financial monitoring and business strategy delivery position covering the period to the end of September 2011. The report focused on the delivery of the Directorate Business Strategies which were agreed as part of the Service and Resource Planning Process for 2011/12 – 2015/16. These form part of the forecast position for each Directorate. Cabinet approved the virements as set out in the report, approved a change to the Capital Programme, agreed bad debt write off and approved the proposed charge for the issuing of each Disabled Parking Permit.

Cabinet Member: Schools Improvement

4. Woodstock Primary School

(Cabinet, 15 November 2011)

Cabinet considered a report on the outcome of consultation, on proposals to expand Woodstock CE Primary School by increasing the school admission number (at F1 entry) from 30 to 45 with effect from 1 September 2013.

Cabinet agreed the proposal for the permanent expansion of Woodstock Primary School.

Note: *As set out under Rule 17(a) of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules, this decision was exempt from Call-In as it was deemed urgent and any delay would have seriously prejudiced the Council's interests, in that the Cabinet's role would be negated by referral to the Schools' Adjudicator if the decision was not taken within two months of the end of the Statutory Notice, in this case being 5 October 2011.*

5. St Christopher's Primary School

(Cabinet, 2 November 2011)

The Cabinet Member for Schools Improvement considered a report on the outcome of consultation, on proposals to expand St Christopher's Primary School from 1.5 to 2 forms of entry with effect from 1 September 2012.

The Cabinet Member for Schools Improvement agreed the proposal for the permanent expansion of St Christopher's Primary School

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Cabinet Member: Transport

6. Oxfordshire Concessionary Fares Scheme

(Cabinet, 15 November 2011)

On 1 April 2011 Oxfordshire County Council took on the responsibility for administering the National Concessionary Fares scheme from the five Oxfordshire District Councils. In January 2011 Cabinet agreed the proposals for the 2011/2012 financial year and asked that a further report be submitted in time for decisions to be made for the 2012/2013 financial year and to report back on experience in running the scheme in the current year. The report submitted dealt with the reimbursement of bus companies and the formal conditions of concessionary pass usage from the start of the 2012/2013 financial year.

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Cabinet agreed the formal conditions of concessionary pass usage, including a later cut off time of 24.00 hours Monday to Friday for the acceptance of Concessionary Passes. Cabinet delegated authority to the Deputy Director, Highways and Transport, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Transport, to negotiate and agree the scheme for the reimbursement of bus companies

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