

Delegated Decisions by Leader of the Council

Tuesday, 24 November 2009 at 4.00 pm County Hall

Items for Decision

The items for decision under individual Cabinet Members' delegated powers are listed overleaf, with indicative timings, and the related reports are attached. Decisions taken will become effective at the end of the working day on 2 December 2009 unless called in by that date for review by the appropriate Scrutiny Committee.

Copies of the reports are circulated (by e-mail) to all members of the County Council.

These proceedings are open to the public

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Note: Date of next meeting: 15 December 2009

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Items for Decision

1. Declarations of Interest

2. Questions from County Councillors

Any county councillor may, by giving notice to the Proper Officer by 9 am on the working day before the meeting, ask a question on any matter in respect of the Cabinet Member's delegated powers.

The number of questions which may be asked by any councillor at any one meeting is limited to two (or one question with notice and a supplementary question at the meeting) and the time for questions will be limited to 30 minutes in total. As with questions at Council, any questions which remain unanswered at the end of this item will receive a written response.

Questions submitted prior to the agenda being despatched are shown below and will be the subject of a response from the appropriate Cabinet Member or such other councillor or officer as is determined by the Cabinet Member, and shall not be the subject of further debate at this meeting. Questions received after the despatch of the agenda, but before the deadline, will be shown on the Schedule of Addenda circulated at the meeting, together with any written response which is available at that time.

3. Petitions and Public Address

EXEMPT ITEM

It is RECOMMENDED that the public be excluded for the duration of item 4 since it is likely that if they were present during that item there would be disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) and specified below in relation to the item and since it is considered that, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information on the grounds set out in the item.

THE REPORT RELATING TO THE EXEMPT ITEM HAS NOT BEEN MADE PUBLIC AND SHOULD BE REGARDED AS STRICTLY PRIVATE TO MEMBERS AND OFFICERS ENTITLED TO RECEIVE IT.

4. Deficit Funding Agreement with Servite

Forward Plan Ref: 2009/135

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4.00 pm

Report by Head of Social & Community Services (CMDL4).

This report seeks to end the Deficit Funding Agreement with Servite with respect Old Station House, Abingdon. In order to end the agreement a capital payment to Servite is required. This report seeks approval to that payment being made through Prudential Borrowing. The annexes attached to the report set out the financial savings achieved for the Authority by adopting this approach. It also seeks approval to the service being transferred to the Order Of St John as part of the contract with Oxfordshire Care Partnership.

The public should be excluded during this item because its discussion in public would be likely to lead to the disclosure to members of the public present of information in the following category:

Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

and since it is considered that, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

The Leader of the Council is RECOMMENDED that approval is given to the ending of the DFA agreement and lease with Servite, subject to the issue of the repayment of the mortgage being agreed by the appropriate parties, and new arrangements being made with an alternative provider as indicated above.