

CABINET

MINUTES of a MEETING held in COUNCIL CHAMBER - COUNCIL OFFICES,
BROWFORT, DEVIZES on Tuesday, 19 April 2011.

Cllr John Brady	Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Planning and Housing
Cllr Lionel Grundy OBE	Cabinet Member for Children's Services
Cllr John Noeken	Cabinet Member for Resources
Cllr Fleur de Rhe-Philipe	Cabinet Member for Finance, Performance and Risk
Cllr Jane Scott OBE	Leader of the Council
Cllr Toby Sturgis	Cabinet Member for Waste, Property and Environment
Cllr John Thomson	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Adult Care, Communities and Libraries
Cllr Dick Tonge	Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport
Cllr Stuart Wheeler	Cabinet Member for Leisure, Sport and Culture

Also in Attendance:	Cllr Christopher Cochrane
	Cllr Peter Colmer
	Cllr Tony Deane
	Cllr Richard Gamble
	Cllr Jon Hubbard
	Cllr David Jenkins
	Cllr Alan Macrae
	Cllr Howard Marshall
	Cllr Laura Mayes

50. **Apologies**

An apology was received from Councillor Keith Humphries

51. **Minutes of the previous meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 22 March 2011 were presented.

Resolved:

To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 22 March 2011

52. **Leader's announcements**

There were no announcements:

53. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

54. **Public participation**

No members of public were present

55. **South West UK Brussels Office - TUPE transfer of Wiltshire Council employees**

The Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Planning and Housing presented the report and explained the background to the report sought approval to undertake further consultation with staff and trade union representatives leading to the TUPE transfer of staff from Wiltshire Council to the new company established to take on the work of the South West UK Brussels Office

Cabinet members asked for clarification regarding the governance of the new company and it was explained that an advisory group would be set up of which Wiltshire Council would be a member.

Resolved:

That Cabinet:

- (i) **Agrees further consultation with staff and trade union representatives and due diligence leading to the TUPE transfer of staff from Wiltshire Council to the new South West UK European Partnership Company.**
- (ii) **Delegates authority to the Service Director Economy and Enterprise to progress and conclude the transfer of the Council's employees as required.**

Reasons for the decision

- (i) The South West UK Brussels Office has been viable in its current form owing to 50% funding being made available by the South West Regional Development Agency (SWRDA) which was withdrawn from 31 March 2011. A new model has therefore been developed to enable the service to continue in the absence of such funding.

- (ii) Further due diligence and consultation with staff and trade unions in respect of the TUPE transfer of staff to the new company will help to reassure Wiltshire Council that any risks to either the Council or its staff have been minimised and to help identify those staff that are willing to be transferred. Wiltshire Council's Constitution requires Cabinet to approve the transfer of Wiltshire Council employees to other Councils or organisations.

56. **Urgent Items**

There were no urgent items.

(Duration of meeting: 10.30am - 10.45 am)

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