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# Agenda

**Meeting of** : The Cabinet  
**Meeting held in** : Alamein Suite, City Hall, Salisbury  
**Date** : Wednesday 28 January 2009  
**Commencing at** : 7.00 pm

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- 1 **Apologies:**  
To receive any apologies for absence.
- 2 **Declarations of Interest:**
- 3 **To Receive Minutes of Last Meeting:**  
To receive minutes of last meeting and to receive updates on the decisions from the respective Portfolio Holders.
- 4 **Public Question/Statement Time:**  
To receive public questions/statements at this meeting.

Please note that in accordance with the Council's Constitution a question/statement may only be asked /made if written notice has been given to the Head of Democratic Services by midday on the working day before the meeting.

- 5 **Forward Plan (Agenda):**  
To consider the Leader's proposed 2 month Forward Plan for the period 1 February 2009 – 31 March 2009 (copy attached) which will become operational from 1 February 2009.
- 6 **Call-in Decisions:**  
To consider any Scrutiny Panel Call-in's of decisions taken at last meeting.
- 7 **Coroner's Office – Move to Devizes:**  
To consider the implications of this proposal. A letter from David Masters, HM Coroner, to Wiltshire County Council is attached.

*Leader of the Cabinet*

- 8 **HRA Rents Setting for New Authorities:**  
To consider the attached report of the Head of Housing Management.  
*Cabinet Members for Finance and Housing*

**Recommended to Council –**

- (1) The HRA Budget for revised 2008/2009 (revised) and 2009/2010 (original) be approved.
- (2) Members approve the increase for dwelling rents in accordance with rent restructuring.
- (3) Members approve the level of increase for garage rents at £2 per week.
- (4) Members approve the level of increase for service charges at a maximum of RPI and utility recharges as a maximum of utility inflation plus £1 per week.



Awarded in:  
Housing Services  
Waste and Recycling Services



9 **Tenant Participation Arrangements:**

To consider the attached report of the Head of Housing Management.

*Cabinet Member for Housing*

**Recommended to Council** - that

- (1) The Strategy and Action Plan "Your Homes, Your Say" attached as Appendix A to the report is approved
- (2) The additional funding of approximately £50k including the recruitment of a Tenant Community Development Worker be approved.

10 **Town Scheme Budget:**

To consider the report of the Chief Executive. (To follow)

*Cabinet Member for Planning*

11 **Licensing Policy Changes:**

To consider the attached report of the Head of Environmental Services.

**Annex A**

**Annex B**

**Annex C**

*Cabinet Member for Environment*

**Recommended** - Members consider the draft policies with a view to informing the Implementation Executive's decision on their adoption for the new Wiltshire Council.

12 **Salisbury Arts Centre:**

To consider the attached report and recommendations from the City Area (Community) Committee meeting held on 16 December 2008.

*Cabinet Member for Community Initiatives*

**Recommended** –

- (1) Supports the lighting scheme financially in principle at a cost of £27,600.
- (2) Requests to Cabinet that the sum of £27,600 be funded out of the general fund.

13 **Queen Elizabeth Gardens – Capital Cost:**

To consider the attached report and recommendation from the Interim Head of Democratic Services.

*Cabinet Member for Community Initiatives*

**Recommended** – that It is recommended that Cabinet consider the request from City Area (Community) Committee and allocate an amount up to £50,000, which could be met from within existing budgets.

14 **Audit Commission – Joint Direction of Travel Report:**

To consider the attached report from the Performance Director.

*Cabinet Member for Finance*

**Recommended** – to note the report

15 **Salisbury District Current Economic Climate:**

**Appendix A**

To consider the joint report from the Project Director and Economic Development Manager.

*Cabinet Member for Economic Development and Tourism*

**Recommended** – to recommend to the Implementation Executive that Wiltshire Council, in its role as community leader:

- a) Continues to provide the support and help to local residents and businesses that is currently provided by Salisbury District Council;
- b) Works across the county with the WSEP and more locally with the South Wiltshire Economic Partnership (SWEP) to support the local business community;

- c) Develops a long-term economic strategy to ensure that the ongoing future prosperity and competitiveness of the Salisbury and south Wiltshire economy;
- d) Implements the SOLACE recommendations;
- e) Critically examines its capital programme to see how it can best be used to stimulate the local economy and protect jobs;
- f) Investigates how it can help homeowners keep their homes and provide advice on housing generally;
- g) Provides assistance to those local organisations, such as the Credit Union, which work to help individuals and families overcome financial difficulties;
- h) Examines regeneration activities such as the Salisbury Vision and, where appropriate, works to bring forward projects for early delivery; and
- i) Reviews the council's tourism marketing plan to target the domestic and European markets.

**16 Legal LGR Issues:**

To consider the report of the Interim Head of Legal Services. (To follow)

*Cabinet Member for Resources*

**17 Unitary Update:**

To receive a verbal update from the Chief Executive.

**18 Successes of the Council:**

To receive the attached update provided by the Corporate Communications Team.

**19 Update on Petersfinger Park and Ride:**

To receive the attached update from the David Bullock, Highways Improvements Manager.

*Cabinet Member for Transport*

**20 Salisbury Pilot Area Board – Participatory Budgeting:**

To consider the report of Marianna Dodd, Project Manager Salisbury Area Board.

*Cabinet Member for Finance*

**Recommended** – to approve funding of £30k for community projects in Salisbury identified through the young people's participatory budgeting project.

**21 Any Urgent Business Requiring a Decision:**



**Manjeet Gill**  
Chief Executive  
20 January 2009