

CABINET(SPECIAL)**HELD: 15 DECEMBER 2010**

Start: 6.30pm

Finish: 6.45pm

PRESENT:

Councillor I Grant (Leader of the Council, in the Chair)

Councillors		<u>Portfolio</u>
I Ashcroft		Human Resources and Partnership
M Forshaw		Planning and Transportation
A Fowler		Community Services and Health
P Greenall		Street Scene Management
Mrs V Hopley		Housing
A Owens		Deputy Leader & Regeneration and Estates
D Westley		Finance and Performance Management

In attendance
Councillors: Mrs B Kean D O'Toole
D McKayOfficers
Chief Executive (Mr W Taylor)
Council Secretary and Solicitor (Mrs G Rowe)
Assistant Chief Executive (Ms K Webber)
Executive Manager Community Services (Mr D Tilleray)
Head of Leisure & Cultural Services (Mr J Nelson)
Treasurer (Mr M Taylor)
Assistant Member Services Manager (Mrs J Denning)**91. APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies for absence.

92. SPECIAL URGENCY (RULE 16 ACCESS TO INFORMATION PROCEDURE RULES)/URGENT BUSINESS

There were no urgent items.

93. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors Grant, Mrs Hopley, Ashcroft, Westley and O'Toole declared a personal interest in agenda item 4(a) 'Concessionary Travel' as eligible to receive travel concessions and Councillors Westley and O'Toole as members of Lancashire County Council.

94. MATTERS REQUIRING DECISIONS

Consideration was given to reports relating to the following matters requiring decisions as contained on pages 889 to 894 of the Book of Reports:

95. CONCESSIONARY TRAVEL

Councillor Westley introduced the report of the Assistant Chief Executive which provided an update on the implications of the transfer of statutory responsibility for concessionary travel from the lower to upper tier Authority i.e. West Lancashire Borough Council to Lancashire County Council from 1 April 2011 and sought approval in relation to consultation on options for the future in relation to discretionary concessions.

In reaching the decision below, Cabinet considered the details set out in the report before it and accepted the reasons contained in it.

- RESOLVED:
- A. That the current position, as outlined in the report, be noted.
 - B. That Officers continue to liaise with Lancashire County Council colleagues in relation to their proposals for any future scheme of concessionary travel within the Borough and their proposals for the operation of this.
 - C. That the proposals for consultation as set out in paragraph 7 of the report in relation to the options identified at paragraph 6.1 of the report be endorsed.
 - D. That the Assistant Chief Executive report back to Council in February with the results of the consultation and proposals for discretionary concessionary travel within the Borough from 1 April 2011, together with an equality impact assessment.

96. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph(s) 3, 5 and 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of that Act, as set out on the agenda, and as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption under Schedule 12A outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

97. MATTERS REQUIRING DECISIONS

Consideration was given to reports relating to the following matters requiring decisions, as contained on pages 895 to 912 of the Book of Reports:

98. DALTON PARK - OPEN SPACE AND PLAY AREA

Councillor Fowler introduced the report of the Executive Manager Community Services which sought approval to purchase public open space at Dalton Park, Whalleys, Skelmersdale.

In reaching the decision below, Cabinet considered the details set out in the report before it and accepted the reasons contained in it.

- RESOLVED: A. That the public open space land at Dalton Park, Whalleys, Skelmersdale, shown edged in bold on the plan attached at Appendix 1 to the report, be purchased.
- B. That upon purchase of the land the Executive Manager Community Services arrange for the existing play equipment to be removed and the area grassed over.

99. CCTV - RELOCATION AND OPERATION OF MONITORING SUITE

Councillor Greenall introduced the report of the Executive Manager Community Services which sought approval for the relocation and future operation of the CCTV monitoring suite.

In reaching the decision below, Cabinet considered the details set out in the report before it and accepted the reasons contained in it.

- RESOLVED: A. Subject to B. and D. below, the Executive Manager Community Services (EMCS), in consultation with the relevant Portfolio Holder, be authorised to relocate the Council's CCTV monitoring suite to a location to be identified through a tender exercise to be undertaken in accordance with B. below.
- B. That the EMCS be authorised to undertake tender exercises to engage suitable contractors to:
- Provide monitoring services for the Council's CCTV images; and
 - Build/fit out the CCTV suite and ensure connectivity.
- C. That the EMCS be authorised to obtain all necessary consents/licences, negotiate and enter into all necessary agreements and enter into any agreements (including leases) regulating the occupation of the CCTV facility as identified through the tender process referred to at B. above.
- D. That Council make appropriate funding available as detailed in paragraph 9.1 of the report.
- E. That the call in procedure is not appropriate for this item as this matter is one where urgent action is required because of the need to commence the initial Tender process as soon as possible.

THE LEADER