

Item 3

SEDGEFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL CABINET

Conference Room 1,
Council Offices,
Spennymoor

Thursday,
19 February 2009

Time: 10.00 a.m.

Present: Councillor V. Crosby (In the Chair) and

Councillors Mrs. K. Conroy, A. Hodgson, D.A. Newell and W. Waters

In Attendance: Councillors V. Chapman, G.C. Gray, B. Haigh, Mrs. S. Haigh, J.E. Higgin, Mrs. H.J. Hutchinson, B. Lamb, Mrs. E.M. Paylor, A. Warburton and T. Ward

Apologies: Councillors Mrs. A.M. Armstrong Mrs. B. Graham, Mrs. L. Hovvells and J.M. Khan

CAB. 92/08 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
Members had no interests to declare.

CAB. 93/08 MINUTES
The Minutes of the meeting held on 22nd January 2009 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

CAB. 94/08 REVENUE BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT - POSITION AT 31ST DECEMBER 2008 AND PROBABLE OUTTURN 2008/09
Consideration was given to a report which summarised the projected outturn position in respect of the Council's revenue activities (for copy see file of Minutes).

It was reported that the General Fund was expected to use balances of around £0.843m compared to a budgeted use of £0.790m – an increase of £0.053m., before the use of provisions.

The Housing Revenue Account was currently showing a balance budget position with income matching expenditure. A final account position for the training service which was transferred to Bishop Auckland during the year was currently being calculated.

Specific reference was made to paragraph 7 of the report which set out the significant balance sheet items in order to provide a wider perspective on the Council's financial standing.

RESOLVED : *That the position as at 31st December 2008 and the projections for the final year be noted.*

CAB. 95/08 CAPITAL PROGRAMME EXPENDITURE AND FINANCING POSITION TO 31ST DECEMBER 2008

Consideration was given to a report detailing the actual capital programme expenditure and financing position as at 31st December 2008, committed expenditure, probable outturn spend as at 31st March, 2009 commitments carried forward into 2009/2010 and estimated budget savings and pressures (for copy see file of Minutes).

Specific reference was made to table 2 which summarised the actual spend up to December 2008 across all portfolios.

Members noted that the gross spend in the first nine months to 31st December 2008 was £11.248m against the capital programme budget of £26.539m, which represented 42% of the total budget. In addition some £5.253m of spend was committed giving a total of £16.501m of actual and committed spend, or some 62% of the total budget.

It was anticipated that some £5.15m would be needed to be carried forward into 2009/10 to enable the agreed capital programme to be completed. Therefore the total revised estimated costs of the programme were £26.289m compared to a budget of £26.539m giving a saving of £0.250m.

RESOLVED : That the updated nine month spend position to 31st December 2008, the amendments to the Capital Programme, the probable outturn position and the commitments carried forward into 2009/10 be noted.

CAB. 96/08 HEALTHY BOROUGH WITH STRONG COMMUNITIES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Consideration was given to the Minutes of the meeting held on 13th January 2009. (For copy see file of Minutes).

RESOLVED : That the Minutes be received.

CAB. 97/08 PROSPEROUS AND ATTRACTIVE BOROUGH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Consideration was given to the Minutes of the meeting held on 27th January 2009. (For copy see file of Minutes).

RESOLVED : That the Minutes be received.

CAB. 98/08 AREA FORUMS

Consideration was given to the Minutes of the following :-

- Area 3 Forum – 7th January 2009
- Area 1 Forum – 19th January 2009
- Area 5 Forum – 20th January 2009

(For copies see file of Minutes).

RESOLVED : That the Minutes be received.

CAB. 99/08 EMPLOYMENT ISSUES PANEL - 4TH FEBRUARY, 2009

Consideration was given to the meeting held on 4th February 2009. (For copy see file of Minutes).

RESOLVED : *That the Minutes be received.*

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