



Retrospective Scrutiny of Council Cabinet Key and Budget and Policy Framework decisions 7 March – 7 June 2011

SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report looks at the items considered by the Council Cabinet between 15 March to 7 June 2011 that had not been included in the Forward Plan. During this period 31 items were considered by the Council Cabinet and of these only one item, the Leisure Strategy was considered as an urgent item at the April meeting and not been included in the Forward Plan.
- 1.2 A notice had been issued to all councillors giving reasons for the urgency of the decision.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 That the Commission consider the report.
- 2.2 To continue to monitor items considered by the Council Cabinet that are not included in the forward plan.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 It is legal requirement for authorities to publish a Forward Plan of items for consideration by the executive. Regular monitoring enables the Commission to ensure that the Forward Plan is being used correctly.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 4.1 This report has been a regular standing item on the Scrutiny Management Commission's agenda since 2008 which enables the Commission to ensure that the Forward Plan is being used correctly by officers and helps all Commissions to plan their work programmes effectively. The report stems from a meeting between the then Chair and Vice Chair with the then Leader and Deputy who gave assurances that procedures would be tightened up and an audit trail be made available.
- 4.2 This report details the Key and Budget Performance Framework decisions taken by Council Cabinet during the period 15 March to 7 June 2011

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 None

This report has been approved by the following officers:

Legal officer Financial officer Human Resources officer Service Director(s) Other(s)	
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IMPLICATIONS

Financial and Value for Money

- 1.1 None arising from this report.

Legal

- 2.1 The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations SI 2000/3272 govern the production and content of the Forward Plan.
- 2.2 A key decision is 'any decision that is likely to have a significant impact on two or more wards' or where it involves expenditure or savings of £250,000 (or £25,000 where it relates to a voluntary body).

Personnel

- 3.1 None arising from this report.

Equalities Impact

- 4.1 None arising from this report.

Health and Safety

- 5.1 None arising from this report.

Environmental Sustainability

- 6.1 None arising from this report.

Asset Management

- 7.1 None arising from this report.

Risk Management

- 8.1 None arising from this report.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

- 9.1 This report has potentially links with all Corporate Objectives.

Urgent items due to be considered by Council Cabinet

Every month, the Council publishes a Forward Plan to indicate the key and budget and policy framework decisions that the Council Cabinet is likely to take in the months ahead.

The following decision needs to be taken urgently in order that it can be implemented as quickly as possible. For this reason Council Cabinet is likely to consider it at its next meeting on 12 April 2011. It was not included on the Forward Plan.

The item is detailed below.

Item	Reason for non-inclusion on the Forward Plan
Leisure Strategy	<i>The Leisure Strategy involves major building developments in addition to significant technical and infrastructure appraisals. Due to the complexity of the projects and the time it will take to undertake the work Council Cabinet approval to identify the preferred site of the Multi Sports Arena is required in April to allow progress to be made in line with the Council's aspirations to be building onsite at the time of the London Olympics in 2012.</i>