

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE DERBY CITY COUNCIL

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Derby City Council in the Council Chamber at the Council House, Derby on Wednesday 23 November 2005 at 6 pm.

A G E N D A

1. To receive apologies.
2. To receive Declarations of Interest.
3. To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 14 September 2005

DOCUMENT 3

Motion - That the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 14 September 2005 be approved as a correct record, confirmed and signed by the Mayor

4. To receive any announcements from The Mayor.
5. To receive any Statements from Members of the Council Cabinet.
6. To receive any questions from the public to Members of the Council Cabinet and the answers to those questions.
 - a. Matthew Holmes - Education and Leisure facilities in Mickleover
 - b. Andrew Hill - Congestion charges
 - c. Tony Dunn - Air pollution readings
 - d. Tony Dunn - Bus loading bays in the new Bus Station
 - e. Pat Taylor - Policy on 'A' boards
 - f. Pat Woolley - Shuttle bus service
 - g. Pat Woolley - Riverlights Development
 - h. Penny Abreu - Agenda order at Scrutiny Management Commission
 - i. Penny Abreu - Connecting Derby
7. To receive any written questions about the business or functions of the Derbyshire Police Authority or Derbyshire Fire Authority, and the answers to those questions.

No questions have been received.

8. To receive any written questions from non-Council Cabinet Members to Members of the Council Cabinet and the answers to those questions.
9. To consider the minutes and recommendations of the Council Cabinet dated 27 September 2005 requiring the approval of the Council.

DOCUMENT 9

(Note - there are no matters requiring Council approval arising from the Council Cabinet meetings on 18 October and 8 November 2005).

124/05 Corporate Asset Management Plan

DOCUMENT 9A

To recommend Council to adopt the Corporate Asset Management Plan as part of the Budget and Policy Framework.

125/05 Budget Strategy 2006/07 to 2008/09

DOCUMENT 9B

To approve the strategy to be followed in preparing revenue and capital budgets for 2006/7 and indicative budgets for 2007/8 and 2008/9 as set out in the report, including specifically:

1. a line by line budget review across all Council departments to deliver budget savings, through efficiency savings where possible, and other measures to support the delivery of savings
2. review processes that ensure consistency between the Corporate Plan and budget planning
3. establishment of a process to make sure that Derby City Partnership decision making is closely coordinated with the Council's decision making on its budget
4. the timetable set out in paragraph 8 of the report

Motion - To approve the minutes and recommendations of the Council Cabinet dated 27 September 2005.

10. To consider the following Notices of Motion:
 - (1) Councillor Williamson to move, Councillor Roberts to second:

“Council supports Staffordshire County Council’s call for the Government to fund the Air Ambulance Service from central resources instead of this vital, lifesaving service having to rely on charitable donations as it currently does. Council requests that the city’s MPs be asked to lend their support.”
 - (2) Councillor Hickson to move, Councillor Smalley to second:

“Council notes with concern Government proposals to compulsorily reduce the number of police forces which will result in the loss of Derbyshire Police Force and almost certain amalgamation with

Nottingham if not an even bigger East Midlands Force.

Council is concerned about the loss of the Derbyshire Force and the implications that will have for policing both in this city and the county.

Council therefore calls on the Home Secretary to reconsider these proposals as a matter of urgency and allow those forces which are delivering to agreed standards to remain in situ if that is the wish of their governing authorities.

(3) Councillor Bayliss to move, Councillor Tittley to second:

1. To restore the free distribution of paper agendas and the full supporting paperwork for Area Panels to citizens of Derby who request them.
2. To update the list of citizens sent agendas regularly, on the basis of those who currently attend Panel meetings, and to stop sending agendas to any person who does not attend two successive meetings of an Area Panel unless the request is renewed.
3. To continue to make Area Panel papers available electronically through email alerts, the Council's web site and CMIS, and to encourage the use of these access channels.
4. To rescind Minute No. 53/04 (1).

(4) Councillor Care to move, Councillor Winter to second:

"This Council believes that pensioners deserve a decent level of financial support but that this is being hindered by a Pension Credit system which requires many pensioners to complete a lengthy, and especially to vulnerable people, daunting form to increase their income to a level that the Government considers acceptable.

This Council is concerned that around 4,000 pensioners in Derby who may be entitled to pension credit are not currently receiving it. The Council therefore agrees to:

1. Continue encouraging local pensioners to apply for pension credit.
2. Write to our local MPs expressing our concern with the current system and asking that it is reviewed at the earliest opportunity to remove the barriers which discourage pensioners from receiving a reasonable level of financial support."

- (5) Councillor Smalley to move, Councillor Latham to second:

“The Conservative Group on Derby City Council instructs Council to ask Cabinet to review its paradoxical decision not to use any of the £150k Government grant earmarked for the improvement of school meals in Derby on the actual ingredients of those meals, instead preferring to spend the money painting the walls of the dining halls in the city's schools.”

- (6) Councillor Latham to move, Councillor Smalley to second:

“This Council congratulates the Secretary of State for Education on her recently announced decision to re-introduce Grant Maintained Schools, albeit by another name, into the state system of education and will fully support the principle when it has passed all its stages through the Parliamentary system to become law.”

11. To consider a joint report of the Director of Corporate Services and Monitoring Officer and the Director of Finance concerning Proposed Changes to Political Management Arrangements – Phase 2.

DOCUMENT 11

Motion:

- 1. To approve the proposed changes to political management arrangements set out in the report and review their operation in May 2006.**
- 2. To approve the proposed delegations to individual members of the Council Cabinet set out in Appendix 3 of the report.**
- 3. To authorise the Director of Corporate Services to draw up a revised Schedule of Meetings to July 2006 incorporating meetings of individual members of the Council Cabinet and a reduced frequency of Cabinet meetings.**
- 4. To approve the recognition of Opposition Spokespeople and a Shadow Cabinet, and the consequent proposed amendment of Part of the Protocol on Member / Officer Relations set out in Appendix 4 of the report.**
- 5. To approve the proposed amendments to the Constitution set out in Appendix 5 of the report.**
- 6. To establish a cross-party working group (Con 1, Lab 2, Lib Dem 1), under the chairmanship of the Council Cabinet Member for Community Services, Regeneration, Equalities and e-Government to consider ways of increasing citizen engagement through e-democracy initiatives and produce proposals for a future Council meeting.**

12. To consider a report of the Director of Corporate Services concerning Indemnities for Members and Officers

DOCUMENT 12

Motion:

1. To approve the provision of indemnities to Members and officers on the basis set out in Appendix 2 of this report
2. To authorise the Director of Finance to secure insurance cover in respect of such indemnities as he considers appropriate.

13. To consider a report of the Director of Corporate Services and Monitoring Officer concerning Standards Committee and Independent Remuneration Panel – Membership Issues

DOCUMENT 13

Motion:

1. To approve that the term of office of independent members of the Standards Committee be three years with members retiring on a rolling basis in accordance with the table below:

	First term of office ends at:		
	Annual Meeting in 2006	Annual Meeting in 2007	Annual Meeting in 2008
Mr G Bagga	X		
Canon R B Blowers		X	
Mrs C McDowall			X

2. To approve that independent members may serve up to a maximum of three terms of office.
3. To approve that an independent member shall cease to be a member if he/she fails to attend three consecutive meetings without a good reason.
4. To invite members of the Independent Remuneration Panel for Members' Allowances to commit themselves to follow the Seven Principles of Public Life set out in the report and to delegate to the Standards Committee the investigation and determination of any complaints of misconduct by Panel members.

14. To consider a report of the Director of Corporate Services concerning Constitutional Appointments and Appointments to Outside Bodies.

**DOCUMENT 14
TO FOLLOW**

Motion – To follow

15. To consider a report of the Director of Corporate Services concerning Chief Executive's Urgent Decisions

DOCUMENT 15

Motion – To note the report

16. To consider a report of the Director of Corporate Services concerning the Designation of Alcohol Free Zone - City Centre

DOCUMENT 16

Motion:

1. To approve the designation of land in the City Centre listed in Appendix 2 as an Alcohol Free Zone.
2. To authorise the Director of Corporate Services to make the necessary Order; advertise it in a local paper and erect signs in the designated area.

17. To consider a report of the Leader of the Council and the Chief Executive concerning Review of Departmental Structure 2005.

DOCUMENT 17

Motion:

1. Approve the new five-director structure for implementation with effect from 1 January 2006 and to approve the slotting-in of the four existing chief officers as follows:
 - Michael Foote, Deputy Chief Executive
 - John Winters, Corporate Director Environmental Services
 - Jonathan Guest, Corporate Director Regeneration and Community
 - Paul Dransfield, Corporate Director Finance and Performance.
2. Appoint an Ad Hoc Restructuring Committee made up of the following five members:
 - Councillor Williamson (Chair)
 - Councillor Roberts
 - Councillor Wynn
 - Councillor Jones
 - Councillor Hickson.
3. Delegate to the Ad Hoc Restructuring Committee the making of interim arrangements needed to facilitate moving to these new arrangements and the determination of the detailed structures for the implementation on 1 April 2006, including setting up Appointments Panels where necessary and changes to the Council's Constitution.

Motion – That, under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the ground that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined on paragraphs 1 and 11 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

18. To consider a report of the Interim Assistant Director Personnel concerning Chief Officer Pay Review.

DOCUMENT 18

Motion - as set out in the recommendations of the report.

19. To consider a report of Councillor Roberts and the Chief Executive concerning Voluntary Early Retirement.

DOCUMENT 19

Motion - as set out in the recommendations of the report.

M A Jooke

Director of Corporate Services
and Deputy Chief Executive

**COUNCIL MEETING
14 SEPTEMBER 2005**

Present: The Mayor (Councillor Webb)
Councillors Ahern, Afzal, Allen, Baxter, Bayliss, E Berry, P
Berry, Blanksby, Bolton, Brown, Care, Chera, Dhamrait,
Dhindsa, Gerrard, Graves, Hickson, Higginbottom, Hird,
Hussain, Jackson, Jones, Khan, Latham, Liversedge, Lowe,
MacDonald, Marshall, Nath, Rawson, Redfern, Rehman,
Repton, Richards, Roberts, Samra, Skelton, Smalley, Tittley,
Travis, Troup, Turner, West, Williamson, Willitts, Winter, Wynn

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Burgess, Carr and Leeming.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Announcements from the Mayor

The Mayor referred to the fact that this Council meeting was the first to be webcast live and welcomed those viewing the proceedings through the internet.

A presentation was made to Malcolm Worton, Sergeant at Mace, who was retiring from the Council after 13 years service.

The Council stood in silence as a tribute to the memory of former Councillor Andrew Kennedy. Tributes to Andrew Kennedy were paid by the Mayor, Councillor Hickson and Councillor Wynn.

The Mayor extended congratulations to the England cricket team on winning the Ashes.

44/05 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 20 July 2005 be approved as a correct record, confirmed and signed by the Mayor.

45/05 Statements by Members of the Council Cabinet

Statements by members of the Council Cabinet were made as follows:

1. By Councillor Wynn, Council Cabinet Member for Children's and Education Services, concerning an award by the Association for Public Service Excellence to 'Aspire', the Social Services Department's Leaving Care Team.
2. By Councillor Wynn, Council Cabinet Member for Children's and Education Services, concerning successes by the city's schools in this year's key stage tests and GCSEs.
3. By Councillor Dhindsa, Council Cabinet Member for Leisure and Cultural Services, concerning the award to Derby Museums and Art Gallery of the English Tourism Council's Visitor Attraction Quality Assurance Standard.
4. By Councillor Bolton, Council Cabinet Member for Environment and Direct Services, concerning Eco-Fest 2005 and the launch of the Council's revised Environmental Policy.

46/05 Public Questions

A question from a member of the public, relating to the siting of an incinerator in Sinfyn Ward, was asked by the Director of Corporate Services in the absence of the questioner Ms N Clarke. The question was answered by Councillor Bolton, Council Cabinet Member for Environment and Direct Services.

47/05 Written Questions about the Business or Functions of the Derbyshire Police Authority or Derbyshire Fire Authority

There were no written questions about the business or functions of the Derbyshire Police Authority or Derbyshire Fire Authority.

48/05 Written Questions from Non-Council Cabinet Members to Members of the Council Cabinet

Written questions from Non-Council Cabinet Members to Members of the Council Cabinet were asked as follows:

1. By Councillor Skelton, concerning the recording and webcasting of Council meetings, answered by Councillor Bayliss, Council Cabinet Member for Community Services, Regeneration, Equalities and E-Government.
2. By Councillor West, concerning parking charges at Markeaton Park, answered by Councillor Dhindsa, Council Cabinet Member for Leisure and Cultural Services.
3. By Councillor P S Berry, concerning concessions for the installation of dropped kerbs, answered by Councillor Repton, Council Cabinet Member for Planning and Transportation.
4. By Councillor Hird, concerning energy price increases and the effects on the Council's budget, answered by Councillor Bolton, Council Cabinet Member for Environment and Direct Services.
5. By Councillor Care, concerning Council Tax levels for 2006/07 and funding gaps, answered by Councillor Williamson Leader of the Council and Council Cabinet Member for Corporate Policy.
6. By Councillor Travis, concerning the Quad development, answered by Councillor Dhindsa, Council Cabinet Member for Leisure and Cultural Services.
7. By Councillor Skelton, concerning the funding of the Connecting Derby Scheme, answered by Councillor Repton, Council Cabinet Member for Planning and Transportation.

49/05 Minutes and Recommendations of the Council Cabinet

The Council considered the minutes and recommendations of the Council Cabinet, requiring the approval of the Council, set out in Appendix A to these minutes.

It was moved by Councillor Williamson, and seconded, to approve the minutes and recommendations of the Council Cabinet dated 2 August and 6 September 2005.

During the debate on these minutes, Councillor Hickson asked a question under Council Procedural Rule CP21 relating to Minute No. 107/05 – Abolition of Home Care Charges – which was answered by Councillor Williamson, Leader of the Council and Council Cabinet Member for Corporate Policy.

It was moved by Councillor Care, and seconded, that the motion be amended by the addition of the following words “with the exception of Minute No. 107/05 which be referred back for further consideration and the Council Cabinet be

instructed to consult the Social Care and Health Commission before resubmitting the proposal to full Council.”

The amendment was put to the meeting and lost.

It was moved by Councillor Jones, and seconded, that the motion be amended by the addition of the words “with the exception of the resolution in Minute No. 109/05 which be amended by the insertion of the words “9. to submit regular review reports to the Community Regeneration Commission.”

(The effect of the amendment, if approved, was that an additional paragraph would be added to the resolution in Minute No. 109/05 as follows:

“9. To submit regular review reports to the Community Regeneration Commission.”)

The amendment was put to the meeting and lost.

Resolved to approve the minutes and recommendations of the Council Cabinet dated 2 August and 6 September 2005.

50/05 Notices of Motion

1. *Appointments to Outside Bodies*

Resolved, on the motion of Councillor Williamson, to approve the amendments to the list of appointments of representatives to serve on outside bodies for the remainder of the current municipal year, now submitted.

The list of amendments to the appointments to outside bodies, as approved by the Council, is set out in Appendix B.

2. *Appointment of the Council's Young People's and Older People's Champions*

Resolved, on the motion of Councillor Williamson, to appoint Councillor Rawson as the Young People's Champion and Councillor Turner as the Older People's Champion for the remainder of the current municipal year.

3. *Free Bus Travel*

It was moved by Councillor Jones, and seconded:

1. That Derby City Council welcomes the planned introduction of free bus travel for people aged 60 and over after 9.30 on weekdays and all day at weekends.

2. Derby City Council calls upon the Government to fully fund this new scheme to ensure that there is no impact on other Council Services.
3. Concern has been expressed that the new free travel arrangements will be limited to within Council areas. Derby City Council further calls upon the Government to ensure that existing schemes, such as that operated across Derby and Derbyshire providing ½ price travel for people over 60 will continue.
4. Derby City Council agrees to write to our local MPs expressing these views.

It was moved by Councillor Repton, and seconded, that the motion be amended by the deletion of all words after “welcomes” and the insertion of the following words:

- “1. The Government’s initiative to provide free bus travel for people aged 60 and over after 9.30 am on weekdays and all day at weekends.
2. Senior Derby City Council officers to liaise closely with Derbyshire County Council and jointly discuss the proposal with Government, officers and local MPs. These discussions need to be in some detail to ensure a comprehensive Derbyshire wide service which is adequately funded.
3. This Council also agrees to work closely with other Derbyshire authorities and bus companies serving the County to ensure the service is available throughout Derbyshire.”

The amendment was put to the meeting and carried.

Resolved:

- 1. That Derby City Council welcomes the Government’s initiative to provide free bus travel for people aged 60 and over after 9.30 am on weekdays and all day at weekends.**
- 2. Senior Derby City Council officers to liaise closely with Derbyshire County Council and jointly discuss the proposal with Government, officers and local MPs. These discussions need to be in some detail to ensure a comprehensive Derbyshire wide service which is adequately funded.**
- 3. This Council also agrees to work closely with other Derbyshire authorities and bus companies serving the County to ensure the service is available throughout Derbyshire.**

4. *Mobile Telephone Masts*

It was moved by Councillor Willitts, and seconded, that the residents of Derby and in particular Chellaston, Shelton Lock and Mickleover are almost under siege with mobile telephone masts with more installations pending and are looking to this Council and Government for support in suspending further installations of mobile phone masts in their wards, pending conclusive and incontrovertible scientific evidence that the masts offer no detrimental effects to human health.

Government guidance prevents Derby City Council from resisting mobile mast planning applications on the grounds of public health concerns. This perverse and arrogant dictat clearly shows that the Labour Government cares more for the billions of pounds they received from the mobile phone operators for licences to operate than it does about local residents and their fears.

Council therefore requires Cabinet to make urgent representations to the ODPM asking for the introduction of a unilateral moratorium on the suspension of further mobile phone mast erections in this City until the risks to public health have been satisfactorily assessed. This would show genuine support for our residents and challenge the Government's uncaring and disinterested position on this issue.

It was moved by Councillor Tittley, and seconded, that the motion be amended by the deletion of all words after "the residents of" and the insertion of the words:

"many areas within Derby feel under siege from the proliferation of telephone masts, with even more pending.

Derby City Council calls on the Government to bring forward revised regulations that make the installation of mobile telephone masts, regardless of their height, the subject of full local authority planning processes.

Council further believes that such a review should require greater collaboration between the service providers and where it is reasonably practicable they should share their locations to reduce the overall intrusive growth of these installations.

Derby City Council recognises the very positive action of this new Labour administration in responding positively to local residents in their campaigns that make mast providers aware of their concerns about masts and particularly the possible health risks associated with them.

Council therefore resolves to make urgent representation to the OPDM to seek the necessary changes in legislation required to bring this about."

(The effect of the amendment, if approved, was that the motion would read as follows:

“The residents of many areas within Derby feel under siege from the proliferation of telephone masts, with even more pending.

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The amendment was put to the meeting and carried.

It was moved by Councillor Skelton, and seconded, that the motion be further amended by the addition of the words “Council resolves to write to the City’s three MPs strongly urging them to vote in favour of the Private Members Bill – the Telecommunications Masts (Planning Control) Bill – which is going through Parliament during this session.”

The amendment was put to the meeting and carried.

Resolved that:

The residents of many areas within Derby feel under siege from the proliferation of telephone masts, with even more pending.

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5. Microgeneration and Energy Efficiency

Resolved, on the motion of Councillor Care, that Derby City Council:

- 1. Recognises that microgeneration (that is the generation of electricity by householders installing small scale units in their homes) is a valuable new approach to engaging people as consumers and citizens in the important issues of climate change and reducing annual carbon dioxide emissions and has a role in helping address energy poverty.**
- 2. Therefore, welcomes the introduction of the Climate Change and Sustainable Energy Bill and the Management of Energy in Buildings Bill into parliament by a cross-party group of MPs on 22 June, noting that together these Bills will:**
 - a. require the Prime Minister to report annually to parliament on the level of greenhouse gas emissions;**
 - b. require the Chancellor of the Exchequer to implement a fiscal strategy to assist with microgeneration and energy efficiency;**
 - c. require the government to set national targets for microgeneration and enable local authorities to set such targets if they deem it appropriate;**
 - d. extend permitted development status to the installation of microgeneration subject to the specifying of safeguards relating to visual and noise effects;**
 - e. require utility companies to purchase at a reasonable rate any surplus electricity generated by householders via microgeneration;**
 - f. require future revisions of Building Regulation to take account the desirability of promoting microgeneration and of introducing an energy generating rating system in new buildings; and**
 - g. enable householders who generate electricity by microgeneration to have access to 'renewables obligation certificates'.**

Derby City Council:

1. **supports the Bills and resolves to inform the government of the Council's view;**
2. **urges the government to support the Bills;**
3. **urges local MPs to be present in parliament to back these Bills when they are debated in the House of Commons on 11 November;**
4. **urges local MPs to sign House of Commons Early Day Motion No 391 in support of these Bills;**
5. **resolves to inform the local media and the Micropower Council of this resolution; and**
6. **resolves also to endorse the Sustainable Energy Partnership's submission to the government consultation on the draft microgeneration strategy (held under section 82 of the Energy Act 2004) which proposes that policies b – g above should be included in the final strategy".**

51/05 Proposed Changes to Political Management Arrangements

The Council considered a report of the Director of Corporate Services and Monitoring Officer concerning proposed changes to Political Management Arrangements.

It was moved by Councillor Williamson, and seconded:

1. To approve the following amendments to the Constitution:
 - a) Article 13, Paragraph 13.2, Page 44
In paragraph 4. amend the figure "£1,000" to read "£25,000".
 - b) Part 3, Part F, Matters that are delegated to officers, Page 74
Add new paragraph 2.13
"Decisions on grants or loans to voluntary bodies up to £25,000 must be made in consultation with the relevant Council Cabinet member."
 - c) Access to Information Procedure Rules, rule AI 20, Page 141
In paragraph d. amend the figure "£1,000" to read "£25,000".
 - d) Council Cabinet Procedure Rules, Rule EP17, Pages 155/6
Amend Rule EP17 to read:

“For Part 1 items, items will be in the name of the appropriate individual member of the Council Cabinet, and included on the agenda with the agreement of the Proper Officer and the Leader. The report of the Council Cabinet Member must be accompanied by an appendix giving relevant information and the professional advice or opinion of appropriate officers including the statutory officers. Officers may also place items on Part 2 of the agenda, if so requested by a Council Cabinet Member and with the agreement of the Leader and the Proper Officer.”

Amend Rule EP22 to read:

“Council Cabinet Members may place items on Part 1 or Part 2 of the agenda, with the consent of the Leader.”

2. To approve the amendments to the areas of responsibility of Council Cabinet Members set out in Appendix 2 to the report.

The Council consented to the amendment of paragraph 2. of the motion to read:

“To approve the amendments to the areas of responsibility of Council Cabinet Members set out in Appendix 2 to the report, subject to the deletion of ‘Community Grants’ from No. 7 and the insertion of ‘Community Grants’ in No. 9.”

It was moved by Councillor Jones, and seconded, that the motion be amended by the substitution of “£10,000” for “£25,000” in paragraphs 1a) and 1c).

The amendment was put to the meeting and lost.

It was moved by Councillor Care, and seconded, that paragraph 1b) of the motion be amended by the insertion of the words “details of decisions must be published on the Council’s website and an email sent to each councillor giving the web address, within seven days of the decision.”

(The effect of the amendment, if approved, was that paragraph 1b) of the motion would read as follows:

- “b) Part 3, Part F, Matters that are delegated to officers, Page 74

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“Decisions on grants or loans to voluntary bodies up to £25,000 must be made in consultation with the relevant Council Cabinet member. Details of decisions must be published on the Council’s website and an email sent to each councillor giving the web address, within seven days of the decision.”)

The amendment was put to the meeting and lost.

Resolved:

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52/05 Civil Partnership Act 2004

The Council considered a report of the Director of Corporate Services concerning the Civil Partnership Act 2004.

Resolved, on the motion of Councillor Williamson:

- 1. To delegate the function of administering Civil Partnerships to the Director of Corporate Services.**
- 2. To amend Part 3 of the Constitution, Page 79, paragraph A 2) to read:**

“Registration Services including births, deaths, marriages, civil ceremonies and civil partnerships.”

33/05 Review of Departmental Structures 2005

The Council considered a report of Councillor Roberts and the Chief Executive concerning a Review of Departmental Structures 2005.

Resolved, on the motion of Councillor Roberts, to:

- 1. Create an Appointments Panel to appoint a Director of Children’s Services comprising Councillors Williamson, Roberts, Wynn and a nominee from each of the Conservative and Liberal Democrat Groups, and to amend the Constitution accordingly.**
- 2. Delegate to the Appointments Panel the determination of the job description and salary level of the new post.**
- 3. Agree that a report on the management structure of the Council be made to the November meeting of the Council.**

MAYOR

MINUTES OF COUNCIL CABINET REQUIRING THE
APPROVAL OF COUNCIL

**COUNCIL CABINET
27 SEPTEMBER 2005**

Present: Councillor Wynn– Chair
Councillors Bayliss, Bolton, Dhindsa, Hussain, Nath,
Repton, and Wynn

Also Present: Councillors Care and Smalley

This record of decisions was published on 29 September 2005. The key decisions set out in this record will come into force and may then be implemented on the expiry of five clear days unless a decision is called-in.

Budget and Policy Framework

124/05 Corporate Asset Management Plan

The Council Cabinet considered a report giving details about the arrangements for property asset management, gives an overview of key property issues facing the Council and strategies for resolving these, progress on last year's Asset Management Plan – AMP – and performance information.

Decision

To recommend Council to adopt the Corporate Asset Management Plan as part of the budget and policy framework.

The Council Cabinet considered a report on the Budget Strategy 2006/07 to 2008/09. The report set out the current budget position faced by the Council. It was reported that the original published budget strategy of the previous administration in March 2005 included a budget gap of £2.3m in 2006/7 at an assumed council tax of 5%. The intention of the new administration to limit the council tax increases to inflation or below will widen this gap, therefore it was proposed to commence a full and detailed review.

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Decision

To approve the strategy to be followed in preparing revenue and capital budgets for 2006/7 and indicative budgets for 2007/8 and 2008/9 as set out in the report, including specifically:

1. a line by line budget review across all Council departments to deliver budget savings, through efficiency savings where possible, and other measures to support the delivery of savings
2. review processes that ensure consistency between the Corporate Plan and budget planning
3. establishment of a process to make sure that Derby City Partnership decision making is closely coordinated with the Council's decision making on its budget
4. the timetable set out in paragraph 8 of the report