

Time began	4.00 pm
Time ended	4.03 pm

## **Leader of the Council Cabinet Member Meeting 20 November 2013**

Present: Councillor Bayliss

13/13      Apologies

There were none.

14/13      Late Items

There were no late items.

15/13      Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations.

16/13      Cities of Service UK – Mobilising Volunteers to Achieve  
Impact

A report of the Chief Executive was considered. The report detailed a new initiative (Cities of Service UK) that would support cities to develop and implement innovative approaches to mobilising volunteers with the aim of impacting on pressing local challenges. It was reported that Nesta was seeking to identify four Partner Cities and six Associate Cities to work with and would provide funding to support this work.

The report proposed the Council's submission of a bid to become a Partner City which would be eligible to receive funding and practical support to appoint a Chief Service Officer. The officer would develop and deliver initiatives that would mobilise volunteers to impact on two specific local challenges identified in a published Service Plan. Up to £150, 000 (over two years) would be available to contribute to the salary and expenses of the Chief Service Officer. In addition, £30, 000 of seed funding would be available to help develop service initiatives. A programme of training and learning events would be provided to a Partner City, together with mentoring support from a serving Chief Service Officer from the United States of America and technical support.

The Leader noted that should the Council be successful in its bid to become a Partner City, it would be required to provide the following:

- A commitment to appoint a dedicated Chief Service Officer at a suitably senior level and with a direct reporting line to the Chief Executive, Mayor or Leader of the Council.

- Identification of two local challenges that could be addressed through the mobilisation of volunteers and development of clear metrics capable of demonstrating whether service initiatives are having an impact.
- Publication of a City Service Plan by end of March 2014.
- Development of a funding plan for the service initiatives, drawing on existing budgets, grant funding and other sources.
- A predisposition to sharing information, data and learning across the programme and externally.
- Use of the Cities of Service UK branding in communications, including calling the local initiative “Team Derby”.
- Engagement in the training and learning programme throughout the two year period of the funding, including face to face events and conference calls.

**Resolved to note the report and agree to the Council’s submission of a bid to become a Partner City as part of the Cities of Service UK initiative.**

MINUTES END