

Cabinet

Meeting: Wednesday, 2nd April 2014 at 6.00 pm in Civic Suite, North Warehouse, The Docks, Gloucester, GL1 2EP

Membership:	Cllrs. James (Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Culture) (Chair), Dallimore (Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Communities and Neighbourhoods), Organ (Cabinet Member for Housing, Health and Leisure), Wood (Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources) and Patel (Cabinet Member for Environment)
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AGENDA		
1.	APOLOGIES	
	To receive any apologies for absence.	
2.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
	To receive from Members, declarations of the existence of any disclosable pecuniary, or non-pecuniary, interests and the nature of those interests in relation to any agenda item. Please see Agenda Notes.	
3.	MINUTES (Pages 9 - 14)	
	To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 5 th March 2014.	
4.	PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (15 MINUTES)	
	The opportunity is given to members of the public to put questions to Cabinet Members or Committee Chairs provided that a question does not relate to:	
	 Matters which are the subject of current or pending legal proceedings, or Matters relating to employees or former employees of the Council or comments in respect of individual Council Officers 	

5. PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS (15 MINUTES)

To receive any petitions or deputations provided that no such petition is in relation to:

- Matters relating to individual Council Officers, or
- Matters relating to current or pending legal proceedings

6. OPEN SPACE STRATEGY 2014-2019 (Pages 15 - 142)

To present to Cabinet for formal approval a new Open Space Strategy, setting out a robust, strategic framework for managing open space resources in Gloucester.

(Report of the Cabinet Member for Environment)

7. CITY CENTRE INVESTMENT FUNDS ALLOCATIONS AND UPDATE (Pages 143 - 154)

To receive an update on the projects within the City Centre Investment Fund delivery programme.

(Report by the Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Culture)

8. CITYWIDE ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS (Pages 155 - 160)

To set out a number of Environmental Projects to that are be delivered across the City in 2014/15.

(Report of the Cabinet Member for Environment)

9. **NEW HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AND NEW HOMES BONUS** (Pages 161 - 164)

To advise members of the progress that has taken place in relation to the development of housing in Gloucester and the financial benefit this has given in relation to the New Homes Bonus.

(Joint Report of the Cabinet Member for Housing, Health and Leisure and the Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources)

10. EMPTY HOMES PROGRAMME UPDATE (Pages 165 - 168)

To receive and update on the Empty Homes programme.

(Report of the Cabinet Member for Housing, Health and Leisure)

11. **HOUSING SERVICES** (Pages 169 - 174)

To receive a report looking at the successes of the Housing Service in helping residents find housing solutions to meet their individual needs. The report also sets out the excellent work done through homelessness prevention, working with partners and reducing the use of emergency bed and breakfast accommodation.

(Report of the Cabinet Member for Housing, Health and Leisure)

12. HERITAGE STATEMENT (Pages 175 - 184)

To inform Cabinet of when a Heritage Statement is required and apprise Cabinet of the work completed in this year that relates to the historic environment and associated events within the City.

(Report of the Cabinet Member for Regeneration)

13. RUGBY WORLD CUP UPDATE REPORT (Pages 185 - 192)

To update members on progress against key issues for delivery of the Rugby World Cup 2015.

(Report of the Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Culture)

14. HEARTY LIVES GLOUCESTER PROJECT - SCHOOLS PROGRAMME (Pages 193 - 200)

To introduce and outline a specific aspect of the Healthy Lives Project, namely the Schools Programme.

(Report of the Cabinet Member for Housing, Health and Leisure)

15. WASTE AND RECYCLING PROJECT PLAN (Pages 201 - 206)

To update Cabinet on the work that is being undertaken to review the waste and recycling services.

(Report of the Cabinet Member for Environment)

16. POSITIVE IMPACT OF FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT WORK IN PROTECTING COMMUNITIES DURING WEATHER/TIDAL EVENTS (Pages 207 - 212)

To update Cabinet on the positive impact that our flood risk management work is having in protecting our communities against flooding during extreme weather or tidal events.

(Report of the Cabinet Member for Environment)

17. POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FUNDING (Pages 213 - 218)

To outline the funding that has been received by the Safer Gloucester Community Safety partnership from the Police and Crime Commissioner for Gloucestershire, including where this funding was allocated and the achievements to date.

(Report of the Cabinet Member for Communities and Neighbourhoods)

18. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE 2013/14

To receive a summary report of financial performance for 2013/14.

(Report of the Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources 'to follow')

Julian Wain Chief Executive

Date of Publication: Tuesday, 25 March 2014

NOTES

Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

The duties to register, disclose and not to participate in respect of any matter in which a member has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest are set out in Chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011.

Disclosable pecuniary interests are defined in the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 as follows –

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<u>Interest</u>	Prescribed description		
Employment, office, trade, profession or vocation	Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.		
Sponsorship	Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the Council) made or provided within the previous 12 months (up to and including the date of notification of the interest) in respect of any expenses incurred by you carrying out duties as a member, or towards your election expenses. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.		
Contracts	Any contract which is made between you, your spouse or civil partner or person with whom you are living as a spouse or civil partner (or a body in which you or they have a beneficial interest) and the Council (a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and (b) which has not been fully discharged		
Land	Any beneficial interest in land which is within the Council's area.		
	For this purpose "land" includes an easement, servitude, interest or right in or over land which does not carry with it a right for you, your spouse, civil partner or person with whom you are living as a spouse or civil partner (alone or jointly with another) to occupy the land or to receive income.		
Licences	Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the Council's area for a month or longer.		
Corporate tenancies	Any tenancy where (to your knowledge) –		
	 (a) the landlord is the Council; and (b) the tenant is a body in which you, your spouse or civil partner or a person you are living with as a spouse or civil partner has a beneficial interest 		
Securities	Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where –		
	(a) that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the Council's area and		
	(b) either –		

- i. The total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or
- ii. If the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which you, your spouse or civil partner or person with whom you are living as a spouse or civil partner has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

For this purpose, "securities" means shares, debentures, debenture stock, loan stock, bonds, units of a collective investment scheme within the meaning of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and other securities of any description, other than money deposited with a building society.

NOTE: the requirements in respect of the registration and disclosure of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and withdrawing from participating in respect of any matter where you have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest apply to your interests and those of your spouse or civil partner or person with whom you are living as a spouse or civil partner where you are aware of their interest.

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- Do not stop to collect personal belongings;
- Once you are outside, please do not wait immediately next to the building; gather at the assembly point in the car park and await further instructions;
- Do not re-enter the building until told by a member of staff or the fire brigade that it is safe to do so.