

## **CABINET**

MINUTES of a meeting of the Cabinet held on 13 December 2016 at Council Chamber, County Hall, Lewes

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PRESENT      Councillors Keith Glazier (Chair)  
                 Councillors Nick Bennett, Bill Bentley, Chris Dowling, David Elkin (Vice  
                 Chair), Carl Maynard, Rupert Simmons and Sylvia Tidy

Members spoke on the items indicated

Councillor Blanch	– item 5 (minute 46)
Councillor Daniel	– item 6 (minute 47)
Councillor Field	– item 5 (minute 46)
Councillor Galley	– items 5, 6 and 8 (minutes 46, 47 and 49)
Councillor Stogdon	– items 5 and 6 (minutes 46 and 47)
Councillor St Pierre	– items 5, 6 and 8 (minutes 46, 47 and 49)
Councillor Tutt	– item 6 (minute 47)
Councillor Webb	– item 5 (minute 46)

### 44      MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15 NOVEMBER 2016

44.1      The minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 15 November 2016 was agreed as a correct record

### 45      REPORTS

45.1      Copies of the reports referred to below are included in the minute book.

### 46      COUNCIL MONITORING 2016/17: QUARTER 2

46.1      The Cabinet considered a report by the Chief Executive

46.2      It was RESOLVED to:

- 1) note the latest monitoring position for the Council; and
- 2) approve the amendments to the performance measures and targets set out in paragraph 2.1 of the report

Reason

46.3      The report sets out the Council's position and year end projections for the Council Plan targets, Revenue Budget, Capital Programme, savings plan together with risks for quarter 2.

### 47      SHADOW SUB NATIONAL TRANSPORT BODY FOR THE SOUTH EAST

47.1      The Cabinet considered a report by the Director of Communities, Economy and Transport

47.2      It was RESOLVED to:

- (1) agree to establish and join a shadow Sub-National Transport Body (SNTB) for the South East, known as Transport for the South East (TfSE);

- (2) delegate authority to the Leader to agree the shadow arrangements, including the shadow constitution, terms of reference and membership, and to appoint the representative of the County Council on the shadow Body;
- (3) receive a further report following an appropriate period of time reviewing the operation of the shadow arrangements and prior to entering into a formal Sub-National Transport Body; and
- (4) provide investment of £20,000 to develop the constitutional arrangements and the Transport Strategy and to provide officer support to the shadow Body.

#### Reason

47.3 The establishment of an SNTB and the development of a Transport Strategy would enable key partners to work in a more focussed and prioritised way to improve the ability of our residents, businesses and visitors across the area to travel. It would also aid authorities in securing influence over national and regional infrastructure providers, helping to ensure the infrastructure required to support continuing economic growth

### 48 EXPANSION OF ORBIS PARTNERSHIP WITH REFERENCE TO BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL

48.1 The Cabinet considered a report by the Chief Operating Officer

48.2 It was RESOLVED to:

- 1) approve, subject to the satisfactory completion of the assessments as set out in the report, to Brighton & Hove City Council (BHCC) joining Orbis as a founding partner and to BHCC joining the Orbis Joint Committee upon completion of the Inter Authority Agreement; and
- 2) delegate authority to the Chief Operating Officer, in consultation with the Lead Member for Resources, to:
  - a) determine whether the results of the assessment referred to above are satisfactory; and
  - b) to take any actions necessary arising from or to give affect to the integration of BHCC in the Orbis partnership including (but not limited to) agreeing the timings and terms of the integration, and the terms of the Inter-Authority Agreement (IAA) and any other Agreements the Chief Operating Officer considers appropriate.

#### Reason

48.3 The Cabinet has agreed to BHCC joining the Orbis partnership and Joint Committee, subject to the completion of the necessary assessments. Consideration of the assessments and the decision as to whether the results are satisfactory is delegated to the Chief Operating Officer in consultation with the Lead Member for Resources together with finalising the terms and timings of their inclusion. By proceeding to a more detailed planning and delivery phase it will enable a robust approach to be developed and provide the necessary powers of delegation to progress at the pace required.

### 49 ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT FOR LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN'S SERVICES

49.1 The Cabinet considered a report by the Director of Children's Services

49.2 It was RESOLVED to note the contents of the annual progress report for Looked after Children's Services

Reason

49.3 The report summarised the performance of Looked After Children's Services in 2015/16

50 ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER 2015/16

50.1 The Cabinet considered a report by the Chief Operating Officer

50.2 The Cabinet approved the Annual Audit Letter and fee update for 2015/16

Reason

50.3 The Annual Audit Letter summarises the key issues arising from the work carried out by the Council's external auditor (KPMG) during the year. This report contains no new findings or recommendations, but reflects the key issues already reported in the Annual Governance Report

51 ITEMS TO BE REPORTED TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL

51.1 The Cabinet agreed that items 5, 8 and 9 should be reported to the County Council.

*[Note: The items being reported refer to minute numbers 46, 49 and 50]*