

AGENDA ITEM 11(a)

COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY 21st SEPTEMBER 2005

POLICY AND BUDGET FRAMEWORK

MATTERS WHICH REQUIRE A DECISION BY COUNCIL RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CABINET – 28th July 2005

Purpose of Report

To consider recommendations from the Cabinet on matters outside the policy framework or approved budget of the Council.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Would Councillors please note that the related reports and documents have not been re-circulated as they have already been sent to all Members via the Cabinet agenda. In addition, a further copy of the Cabinet agenda has been placed in Group Rooms. A public inspection copy is available on request. The policy documents, referred to below, have been posted on the Council's website. (See front cover for contact details.)

ITEM	RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL	CABINET MEMBER
1. PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK	<p>The Cabinet considered a report from the Corporate Performance Advisor that sought approval for the Performance Management Framework, which would be monitored both by the Council's external auditors and the Comprehensive Performance Assessment (CPA) inspectors.</p> <p>The Council is recommended that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The Performance Management Framework, in the Appendix to the report to Cabinet on 28th July 2005, be adopted with immediate effect.2. Action to implement the Framework be taken in accordance with paragraph 4.2, as contained in the report to Cabinet. <p>The report is on page 19 of the Cabinet agenda of 28th July 2005.</p>	John-Paul Campion

<p><u>2.</u> <u>WYRE FOREST</u> <u>LOCAL</u> <u>DEVELOPMENT</u> <u>FRAMEWORK :</u> <u>STATEMENT OF</u> <u>COMMUNITY</u> <u>INVOLVEMENT</u> <u>(SCI)</u></p>	<p>The Cabinet considered a report from the Head of Planning, Health and Environment regarding the comments and responses received on the Draft Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) during the 6-week Pre-Submission Public Participation Stage. The report also sought approval from Council of the proposed schedule of changes to the Draft SCI for submission to the Secretary of State.</p> <p>Following a recommendation from the Environment and Economic Regeneration Policy and Scrutiny Panel at its meeting on 21st July 2005, two additional groups were added to the list of Hard to Reach Groups at Appendix 1 of the Statement.</p> <p>The Council is recommended that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approval be given to the Schedule of Responses set out at Appendix 2 to the report to Cabinet on 28th July 2005, and the resulting changes to the Draft Statement of Community Involvement for submission to the Secretary of State, subject to, inclusion of a reference to representatives of the Polish and Italian communities within Kidderminster under the Hard to Reach Groups at Appendix 1 of the Statement. 2. The Head of Planning, Health and Environment be authorised to make the appropriate arrangements to submit the Statement of Community Involvement to the Secretary of State on 27th September to commence the 6-week submission stage of consultation. <p>The report is on page 43 of the Cabinet agenda of 28th July 2005 and a revised draft SCI is being circulated to Members electronically, with hard copies in Group Rooms.</p>	<p>James Dudley</p>
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<p><u>3. PROPOSED CHANGES TO DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PRACTICE NOTE 3 - PUBLICITY AND CONSULTATION ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS</u></p>	<p>The Cabinet considered a report from the Head of Planning, Health and Environment that sought Members' approval for proposed changes to Development Control Practice Note 3, which set out the consultation arrangements for planning applications. The revised Practice Note also referred to changes in consultation arrangements resulting from Electronic Service Delivery.</p> <p>The Council is recommended that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The revised Development Control Practice Note 3 - Publicity and Consultation on planning applications, and amendments as detailed in the report to Cabinet on 28th July 2005, be published and adopted; the purpose being to introduce a formal procedure for consulting with neighbouring Planning Authorities and to ensure that Parish Councils are consulted on schemes adjacent to their boundaries. 2. The Head of Planning, Health and Environment be given delegated powers to make further changes to the Practice Note relating to operational changes arising from the introduction of electronic service delivery. <p>The report is on page 53 of the Cabinet agenda of 28th July 2005.</p>	<p>James Dudley</p>
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