

CABINET

Minutes of the meeting held on 20 February 2014 at 7.00 pm in Council Chamber, Council Offices, Cecil Street, Margate, Kent.

Present: Councillor Clive Hart (Chairman); Councillors Everitt, Fenner, D Green, Johnston and Poole

In Attendance: Councillors Bayford, Binks, S Hart, King, Marson, Moore, Moores, Nicholson, M Tomlinson, Watkins and Wise

135. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

136. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

137. ICT - MEMBERS' REMOTE ACCESS

Members considered the report on Members' remote access. It was explained that new Government legislation would restrict access to the Council's network meaning that Councillors would no longer be allowed to access their Councillor e-mail from non-Council owned equipment. Therefore the Council had no option other than to purchase new equipment, in this case Ipads, in order to allow Councillors to continue to use their e-mail.

Councillor Moores spoke under rule 24.1

It was proposed by Councillor Fenner and seconded by Councillor C.Hart and AGREED:

- 1) The use of Tablets for all Members based on a lower unit cost, portability and ease of use. This to be reviewed after a three month period to identify further requirements e.g. training, accessories etc.
- 2) To move towards electronic agendas in a phased approach in order to deliver the ongoing savings identified.
- 3) To cease the use of auto forwarding to personal emails once council equipment has been issued to all Members.
- 4) To produce a policy document that identifies the processes and procedures required when using tablets and Councillor e-mails and for that policy to be considered by the Constitutional Review Working Party, Standards and Council.

138. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

Councillor Johnston proposed, Councillor Poole seconded and Members AGREED that the public and press be excluded from the meeting for agenda item 5 as it contained exempt information as defined in Paragraph 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

139. PLEASURAMA/RAMSGATE ROYAL SANDS DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

Councillors Bayford, Moores and Marson spoke under rule 24.1.

It was proposed by Councillor Everitt, seconded by Councillor C.Hart and AGREED:

- 1) That the recommendations of the Overview & Scrutiny Panel be received and adopted.
- 2) That the Developer's request for an extension of time be refused.
- 3) That the power to implement the recommendations of the Overview & Scrutiny Panel be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Financial Services and such power to be enacted by a published decision notice following consultation with the Chief Executive.

Meeting concluded: 7.18 pm