Summary of Decisions made by the Cabinet at the meeting held on 12 February 2009 at the Thanet Council Offices, Margate

Present: Councillor Ezekiel (Chairman); Councillors Ms Gideon, Latchford, Mrs Tomlinson,

Mrs Wiltshire and Wise.

CR12 CORPORATE PLAN REFRESH

Recommendation made: That,

Cabinet recommend the proposed content of the refreshed Corporate Plan 2007-11 to Council.

CD34 BUDGET MONITORING

Recommendation made: That,

Cabinet notes the outturn position for 2008/09.

Cabinet approve the proposals in respect of the heating service

Cabinet approve the revised General Fund and HRA Capital Programme for 2008/09.

Cabinet notes the contract procedure rule waivers.

CR13 BUDGET 2009/10 AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY

Recommendation made: That,

Members approve the draft Medium Term Financial Plan at Annex 1.

Members approve the draft scale of Fees and Charges (Annex 2 refers).

Members recommend to Council the draft General Fund Revenue budget estimates for 2009/10 to 2011/12 and resulting budget requirement for 2009/10 (paragraph 5.8.1 refers).

Members recommend to Council total requirement from Council Tax of £9,518k be raised through precept to meet the 2009/10 budget requirement (paragraph 6.3.4 and table 10 refers).

Members recommend to Council the Council Tax annual charges as set out below for the listed property bands:

PROPOSED COUNCIL TAX PER PROPERTY BAND FOR 2009/10								
Band								
	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н
Proportion of band D	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9
Annual Charge	£136.62	£159.39	£182.16	£204.93	£250.47	£296.01	£341.55	£409.86

Members recommend to Council the level of general reserves be reduced by £500k to £2,116k, and specific earmarked reserves be used as identified in Annex 3.

Members recommend to Council the HRA budget estimates for 2009/10 to 2011/12 (paragraph 7.6.1 refers).

Delegated authority is given to the Leader and Housing Portfolio Holder to approve heating service charges (paragraph 7.4.12 refers).

Members recommend to Council the General Fund capital budget of £3,292k for 2009/10 and Housing Revenue Account Capital Budget of £3,689k for 2009/10, with the proposed approaches for funding (paragraph 8.7 refers).

Members recommend that Council adopt the Prudential Indicators contained within Annex 7 to the report and that the Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Statement contained within Annex 8 which sets out the Council's policy on MRP be approved.

Members note the latest treasury update for 2008/09 (paragraph 9.2.3 refers)

Members recommend that Council approve the Annual Treasury Management and Investment Strategy and the treasury prudential indicators shown at Annex 8.

Members agree the recommendations and actions, which will be sent out separately, as Cabinet's response to the work of Scrutiny via the Budget Working Party.

CD35 EXECUTIVE STRUCTURE - CABINET AND CABINET PORTFOLIOS

Recommendation made: That,

- 6.1 The report of the Monitoring Officer be received.
- 6.2 The proposed amendments to the Members' Allowances Scheme for 2008/9, set out in Annex 2, be adopted for recommendation to Council.

CD36 CHILD PROTECTION REVIEW

Recommendation made: That,

- 3.1 (A) Cabinet agrees the revised Child Protection Policy and Procedure to ensure that the Council is able to meet current statutory requirements and develops a framework for embedding the safeguarding and promotion of children's welfare into service delivery. The Council will be seen to respond positively to statutory requirements and local need.
- 3.2 (B) Cabinet agrees the Children Act 2004 Section 11 annual audit. The Council will be seen to fulfilling the requirements for Senior Management responsibility and accountability as well as monitoring and evaluating its compliance with its statutory obligations regarding safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children.

CD37 CHANGES TO COMMUNITY GRANTS PROCESS

Recommendation made: That,

- 5.1 Cabinet notes the content of the draft policy as shown in Annex A and the results from the policy's consultation as shown in Annex B.
- 5.2 Cabinet approves the policy as a more viable way to give to the third sector through partnership working, and developing sustainability.
- 5.3 Cabinet approves the allocation of the events budget as shown in 4.1.4 to enable the 09/10 programme plans to progress.
- 5.4 Cabinet agree to delegate responsibility for identifying savings to the covering Communications and Corporate Marketing Manager/Corporate Improvement Manager and the Portfolio Holder for the respective area.

CD38 CONSULTATION DRAFT - THE VISION FOR THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL

Recommendation made: That,

- 6.1 To approve the draft content and publish as a consultation draft.
- 6.2 To approve the timeline.

CD39 BROADSTAIRS COMMUNITY CENTRE VARIATION OF CONDITIONS OF GRANT

Recommendation made: That,

- 5.1 Amend the conditions applied to the TDC grant as set out in paragraph 2.0. of the report
- 5.2 Agree to pre-allocate second homes funding for 2009/10 to support a further application to the KCC Village Halls fund by the Broadstairs and St Peter's Community Centre Trust.

CD40 QUARTER 3 PERFORMANCE PACK

Recommendation made: That,

Cabinet noted the content of the report and endeavoured to work with officers to maintain a strong focus on performance for the rest of the council year – particularly in the priority and high-impact areas.

CR14 PETITION REFERRED FROM COUNCIL – CLIFTONVILLE DEVELOPMENT PLAN – PREFERRED ISSUES AND OPTIONS

Recommendation made: That,

Cabinet noted the report.

Time concluded: 8.51pm