

EXTRAORDINARY CABINET
Minutes of the meeting held on 12 March 2009 at 7.00 pm at Council Chamber, Cecil Street, Margate, Kent.

Present: Councillors Ezekiel, Ms Gideon, Mrs Tomlinson, Mrs Wiltshire and Wise

50. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologise were received from Councillors Latchford and J D Kirby.

51. RULE 24.1

The following Members were also present pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 24(1) and took part in the proceedings as follows:

Councillor D Green;

Item 6 (Minute 54) Notice of Motion from Council – Eastcliff Ward litter.
Item 10 (Minute 59) Debt Management

Councillor Campbell;

Item 6 (Minute 54) Notice of Motion from Council – Eastcliff Ward litter.

52. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

53. TO AGREE THE ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS CONTINUITY MANAGEMENT POLICY

Recommendation made that:

Cabinet approved the reviewed Business Continuity Policy.

54. TO AGREE THE REVIEW UNDERTAKEN OF THE LOCAL CODE OF GOVERNANCE AND GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK

Recommendation made that:

Cabinet approve the reviewed Local Code of Corporate Governance and recommend forwarding it for adoption by Council on 23 April 2009.

Cabinet note that there are no changes recommended to the Governance Framework.

55. GUIDANCE ON DEALING WITH UNREASONABLE COMPLAINANT BEHAVIOUR

Recommendation made that:

Cabinet approved the guidance attached to the report at Annex 1.

Cabinet also agreed that a suggested amendment;

“that Ward Councillors, Cabinet Members and Shadow Cabinet Members be made aware of a persistent and unreasonable complainant so they do not spend unnecessary time dealing with their complaints” should be considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Panel.

The amendment was given in writing to Councillor Gideon by Councillor Mrs Fenner prior to the meeting.

56. NOTICE OF MOTION FROM COUNCIL - EASTCLIFF WARD LITTER

Recommendation made that:

Cabinet noted the discussion section of the report in relation to the five areas set out in the Notice of Motion but that no specific action is recommended.

57. EXEMPTIONS FROM CONTRACT STANDING ORDERS

Recommendation made that:

Cabinet noted the report.

58. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

Recommendation made that:

That the public and press be excluded from the meeting on agenda item <<insert agenda item>> as it contains exempt information as defined in Paragraph <<insert paragraph>> of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

59. DEBT MANAGEMENT

Recommendation made that:

Cabinet noted the report and approved the write off detailed in point 2.1 of the report.

Cabinet also noted that the write off detailed in point 2.2 of the report was included in error as it had been previously approved by Cabinet.

Cabinet agreed that the write offs detailed in point 2.3 and 2.4 of the report should be withdrawn and further advice sought from the Monitoring Officer.

Meeting concluded : 7.41 pm