

BARNSELEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET

11th March, 2015

228. **Present:** Councillors Houghton (Chairman), Andrews, Bruff, Tim Cheetham, Gardiner, Howard, Miller and Platts.

Councillors Mitchell, M. Sheard and T. Sheard were also in attendance.

229. **Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests**

Councillor Houghton declared a pecuniary interest in Minute 236 as his wife is employed in the Adult Assessment and Care Management Service.

230. **Leader of the Council - Call-In of Cabinet Decisions**

The Leader reported that no decisions from the previous meeting held on 25th February, 2015 had been called-in.

231. **Minutes of the Meeting held on 25th February, 2015 (Cab.11.3.2015/3)**

The minutes of the meeting held on 25th February, 2015 were taken as read and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

232. **Decisions of Cabinet Spokespersons (Cab.11.3.2015/4)**

The Record of Decisions taken by Cabinet Spokespersons under delegated powers during the weeks ending 27th February and 6th March, 2015 were noted.

233. **Petitions Received Under Standing Order 44 (Cab.11.3.2015/5)**

It was reported that no petitions had been received under Standing Order 44.

234. **Leader – Leeds City Region Governance Arrangements (Cab.11.3.2015/6)**

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that the Leeds City Region (LCR) Leaders' Board endorsement of the proposal to dissolve the LCR Leaders' Board on 31st March, 2015, and the decision of the West Yorkshire Combined Authority to resolve to appoint a Leeds City Region Partnership Committee, to be established on 1st April, 2015, be noted; and
- (ii) that, insofar as Barnsley MBC is concerned, approval be given to dissolve the Leeds City Region Leaders' Board on 31st March, 2015.

CABINET**11th March, 2015****235. People (Safeguarding) Spokesperson – Corporate Inspection of Rotherham MBC – Lessons Learned and Next Steps (Cab.11.3.2015/7.1)**

The People (Safeguarding) Spokesperson presented a report summarising the key conclusions of the inspection of Rotherham MBC by Joanne Casey, following on from the report by Prof Jay in relation to Child Sexual Exploitation. The report went on to identify proposals to take forward work in Barnsley MBC to ensure that action was taken to learn lessons from both the Casey and Jay reports.

The meeting noted the commitment of Senior Management Team to ensure that the review within Barnsley considered the actions needed across the board, not only in the area of safeguarding within the People Directorate. In particular, the policies, processes and procedures within the private hire/hackney carriage licensing function would be reviewed.

Arrangements were in place for work with Members to highlight their responsibilities in relation to safeguarding and corporate parenting, understood those responsibilities fully and were clear as to how they should act to ensure the appropriate outcomes. This would include monitoring to ensure Members attended the relevant development sessions. The meeting noted the need to have appropriate systems in place for Members to give notification of any concerns, to have this recorded and receive an appropriate acknowledgement of the actions taken.

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that the publication of the report of Joanne Casey's corporate governance inspection of Rotherham MBC and the impact of the findings and the lessons to be learned by local authorities, as outlined in the report now submitted, be noted;
- (ii) that the Council's Senior Management Team (SMT) commission a programme of activity aimed at assuring that all Council services with a stake in protecting children from harm and exploitation are compliant with this responsibility, statutory regulations and best practice; and
- (iii) that progress reports be submitted as appropriate and as part of the performance reporting framework.

(Note: Having declared a pecuniary interest in the following matter, Councillor Houghton left the meeting for the duration of the following items. Councillor Andrews in the Chair.)

CABINET**11th March, 2015****236. Place (Safeguarding) Spokesperson – Adults Assessment and Care Management – Future Council Restructure (Cab.11.3.2015/7.2)****RESOLVED:-**

- (i) that the Target Operating Model (TOM) in Adults Services be endorsed with an implementation date of 13th April, 2015, as described in the report now submitted;
- (ii) that the structure for Adults Assessment and Care Management Service as part of Business Unit 2 (Adult Assessment and Care Management) be agreed with an implementation date of 1st April, 2015;
- (iii) that the restructure of social care posts attached to the Mental Health service, as set out in the report, be agreed to facilitate the change to the new four stepped Framework for Mental Health being implemented by South West Yorkshire Partnership Foundation Trust (SWYPFT) which was in progress;
- (iv) that the two social worker posts attached to the Memory Service be deleted; and
- (v) that the social worker post based in Phoenix Futures be deleted.

(Note: Councillor Houghton re-joined the meeting at this point and returned to the Chair.)

237. Communities Spokesperson – Proposal to Close Mobile Library Service – Public Consultation Feedback (Cab.11.3.2015/8.1)**RESOLVED:-**

- (i) that the findings from the public consultation regarding the proposal to close the Mobile Library Service from 1st April 2015, as detailed in the report now submitted, be noted;
- (ii) that the mitigation actions from the key impacts, as identified in the report, be agreed;
- (iii) that the findings from the formal consultation be noted and approval be given to the proposal for the Mobile Library Service to cease with effect from 1st April, 2015; and
- (iv) that approval be given for the introduction of a Good Neighbour/Family and Friends Collection Service, additional volunteer support for the Home Library Service and the introduction of trust based deposit collections where appropriate.

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238. **Communities Spokesperson – Establishment of Stronger, Safer and Healthier Communities Business Unit (Cab.11.3.2015/8.2)**

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that the operational structure for the Stronger, Safer and Healthier Communities Business Unit, as detailed in the report now submitted, be implemented from 1st April, 2015; and
- (ii) that the relevant deletion and creation of posts, as detailed in the report, be approved.

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Chairman