



London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham

Cabinet

Minutes

Thursday 15 July 2010

PRESENT

Councillor Stephen Greenhalgh, Leader
Councillor Helen Binmore, Cabinet Member for Children's Services
Councillor Joe Carlebach, Cabinet Member for Community Care
Councillor Harry Phibbs, Cabinet Member for Community Engagement
Councillor Lucy Ivimy, Cabinet Member for Housing
Councillor Greg Smith, Cabinet Member for Residents Services

ALSO PRESENT

Councillor Elaine Chumnery
Councillor Rory Vaughan
Councillor Andrew Jones
Councillor Iain Coleman
Councillor Michael Cartwright
Councillor Colin Aherne
Councillor Steve Hamilton
Councillor PJ Murphy

1. MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEETING HELD ON 17 JUNE 2010

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 17 June 2010 be confirmed and signed as an accurate record of the proceedings, and that the outstanding actions be noted.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for Absence were received from Councillors Nicholas Botterill and Mark Loveday.

3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillor Joe Carlbach declared a personal and prejudicial interest in respect of the item concerning the 3rd Sector Investment Fund Allocation by virtue of his position as a Trustee of one of the applicants for funding, the Hammersmith &

Fulham Volunteer Centre. As a consequence he withdrew from the meeting during consideration of the matter.

4. 3RD SECTOR INVESTMENT FUND ALLOCATION

The Cabinet gave consideration to the allocation of the 3rd Sector Investment Fund from October 2010 in respect of the following service areas;

- Infrastructure
- Children, Families and Young People
- Economic Wellbeing and Opportunity
- Health and Wellbeing (older people)

It was noted that the 3rd Sector played a significant role in achieving the Council's borough of opportunity vision and aspirations, added value to the cultural, social and economic quality of life, helped to shape social and economic regeneration and contributed to civic renewal. Nevertheless, in the current economic climate the Investment Fund would have to deliver efficiencies in the same way as all other Council budgets. To this end it was considered prudent to reflect the anticipated reductions in local government funding in the allocations to the 3rd sector over the following three years. Funded organisations would, like the Council itself, be expected to seek different ways of working and develop more effective systems that would enable efficiencies to be achieved with minimal impact on front line services. The assessment process had applied the same set of requirements and procedures to all applicants and each bid had undergone at least three independent assessments.

With the permission of the Chairman, deputations from the following Third Sector organisations were permitted to address the Cabinet for 5 minutes each, having submitted deputation requests:

- Trustee Shepherds Bush Families Project
- Iranian Association
- Grove Neighbourhood Centre
- Hammersmith & Fulham Law Centre
- Threshold Housing Advice
- Hammersmith & Fulham Refugee Forum

RESOLVED:

1. That allocation of the 3rd Sector Investment Fund across the areas of:

- Infrastructure
- Children, Families & Young People
- Economic Wellbeing & Opportunity
- Health & Wellbeing (older people)

as set out in this report be approved.

2. That, where there is a lack of fundable applications to deliver particular outcomes sought, authority be delegated to the appropriate departmental Director to retender or reallocate the remainder of the budget.

Reason for decision:

As set out in the report.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

As outlined in the report.

Record of any conflict of interest:

Councillor Joe Carlebach – Personal and Prejudicial as set out in item 3 above.

Note of dispensation in respect of any declared conflict of interest:

None.

5. FUNDING DRAWDOWN FOR CORPORATE ROLLOUT OF SMARTWORKING

RESOLVED:

1. That progress of the programme to date be noted.
2. That Stage C, the corporate rollout of SmartWorking, at a total cost of £2,120,846, be approved.
3. That the draw down an initial sum of £1,454,512 from the Invest to Save fund, specifically to pay for two key projects within the programme, namely Barclay House and Environment, as well as the required IT and telephony for Stage C, be approved.
4. That a report be submitted to Cabinet after the delivery of the Barclay House and Environment projects detailing progress made and outcomes achieved, and requesting a draw down of £666,334 for the remaining rollout of Stage C.
5. That it is noted that funding required for the removal costs associated with Stage C is requested when needed during the course of the programme.
6. That settlement of the dilapidations claim relating to the termination of the Barclay House lease be delegated to the Director of Environment and Director of Finance and Corporate Services.

Reason for decision:

As set out in the report.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

As outlined in the report.

Record of any conflict of interest:

None.

Note of dispensation in respect of any declared conflict of interest:

None.

**6. EARL'S COURT WEST KENSINGTON OPPORTUNITY AREA:
PREPARATION OF SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT**

RESOLVED:

That approval be given to expenditure of up to £350K to meet additional costs for the preparation of a Supplementary Planning Document (to be carried out jointly with the Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea and the GLA), as set out in para. 3.2 of the report, the costs to be met:

- either by Capital & Counties plc as part of a planning performance agreement;
- or, if funding from Capital & Counties is not confirmed, the Council's share of the additional costs (up to £175K) to be met from the S106 Agreement specified in the report.

Reason for decision:

As set out in the report.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

As outlined in the report.

Record of any conflict of interest:

None.

Note of dispensation in respect of any declared conflict of interest:

None.

7. FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS

The Forward Plan was noted.

8. SUMMARY OF OPEN DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE LEADER AND CABINET MEMBERS, AND REPORTED TO CABINET FOR INFORMATION

The summary was noted.

9. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED:

That under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the

remaining items of business on the grounds that they contain information relating to [the financial or business affairs of a person (including the authority)] as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Act, and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption currently outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

[The following is a public summary of the exempt information under S.100C (2) of the Local Government Act 1972. Exempt minutes exist as a separate document.]

10. **EXEMPT MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEETING HELD ON 17 JUNE 2010**
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RESOLVED:

That the exempt minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 17 June 2010 be confirmed and signed as an accurate record of the proceedings, and that the outstanding actions be noted.

11. **SUMMARY OF EXEMPT DECISION TAKEN BY THE LEADER AND**
CABINET MEMBERS, AND REPORTED TO CABINET FOR INFORMATION
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The summary was noted.

Meeting started: 7.00 pm
Meeting ended: 7.45 pm

Chairman