

## DECISIONS OF CABINET

17 June 2009

*Councillor Mrs Maxfield declared an interest in item 3 below, being a Member of Kidsgrove Town Council, remained in the meeting and took part in the discussion but did not vote thereon.*

ITEM	RECOMMENDATION(S)	DECISION	
1.	Value for Money Strategy	To adopt the proposed new Value for Money Strategy with a more focussed set of main actions that are framed as far as possible, with targets that are Specific, Measurable, Achievable and Realistic.	As per recommendation.
2.	Budget and Performance Management Report to End of Quarter 4 (March 2009)	(a) That the contents of the report be noted and that the Council continue to monitor performance alongside budgets.  (b) That the specific recommendations contained in the performance indicator summary be endorsed.	} As per recommendations.
3.	Customer Service Centre and ICT Disaster Recovery Facility – Kidsgrove	It is recommended that:  (a) A Customer Service Centre is established in Kidsgrove Town Hall.  (b) An ICT disaster recovery facility is created as part of this project.  (c) Kidsgrove CAB is relocated within Kidsgrove Town Hall.  (d) An exemption to Standing Orders in relation to Contracts be granted, under order 2b (vi) and (vii) as there would be likely to be no genuine competition in light of the market being tested within the last 12 months and quotations are sought from the companies previously shortlisted for the Guildhall and Civic Offices refurbishment contract.	} As per recommendations.

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4.	Neighbourhood Management Project		That consideration be deferred to the next meeting.
5.	Private Sector Housing Stock Condition Survey	<p>(a) That the report be received.</p> <p>(b) That the results of the survey are used to inform future housing strategy, policy and a range of the Council's corporate cross-cutting strategies.</p>	<p>} As per recommendation.</p>
6.	Housing Capital Programme 2009/10	<p>(a) That the proposed housing capital programme for 2009/10 be approved and that the 2010/11 be agreed for planning purposes funded by capital receipts and government grants.</p> <p>(b) That £320,000 from capital receipts is allocated to the Housing Capital Programme.</p> <p>(c) That £535,000 from the existing budget in the capital programme for Housing Market Renewal is allocated to the Housing Capital Programme.</p>	<p>(a) That the proposed housing capital programme for 2009/10 be approved and that £2,557,000 be agreed for planning purposes funded by capital receipts and government grants.</p> <p>(b) &amp; (c) As per recommendations.</p>
7.	Housing Renewal Loans	<p>(a) That the Council moves from the Newcastle Home Loans Pilot Scheme to join the West Midlands Kick Start Partnership so that loan-based housing assistance will continue to be available in the Borough.</p> <p>(b) That the progress towards joining the West Midlands Kick Start Partnership be noted.</p>	<p>} As per recommendations.</p>
8.	Kidsgrove Galleys Bank Progress Report	<p>(a) That Members note progress of the initiatives to improve the quality of life on the Galleys Bank Estate including improved communications and the appointment of consultant, Peter Bevington to establish a residents' steering group and instruct officers to investigate the options for the pilot house project</p> <p>(b) That officers be instructed to investigate the options of the pilot house project.</p>	<p>(a) &amp; (b) .</p> <p>} As per recommendations</p>

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		(c) That a copy of the report be circulated to the residents' Steering Group.
9. Renew North Staffordshire Business Plan 2008-11	(a) That the proposed Renew Housing Market Renewal Programme 2009-2010 is approved.  (b) That the request for match funding of £485,000 is approved for the Strategic Gateways and for the Galleys Bank Pilot House	} As per recommendations.
10. Former Silverdale Colliery – Potential Community Facilities		That consideration of this matter be deferred to the next meeting.
11. Overview and Scrutiny Completed Review - Encouraging Economic Development in Uncertain Times		That consideration of this report be deferred to the next meeting.
12. Museum and Art Gallery Forward Plan	That the Forward Plan be approved.	That the Forward Plan as now amended be approved.
13. Land Adjacent to Knutton Quarry Clay Pit		
<b>SUPPLEMENTARY</b>		
14. Land Adjacent Knutton Clay Quarry Pit (item 13 on main agenda)  (a) Call-In - Cleaner, Greener & Safer Overview & Scrutiny Committee  (b) Progress on Potential Acquisition	That Cabinet respond to the recommendations of the Cleaner Greener and Safer Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee.  (i) That the agreement of Silverdale Parish Council to take a lease of the site, subject to terms, is noted.  (ii) That Officers be authorised to meet with Silverdale Parish Council to discuss outstanding matters including the emergency vehicular access and the terms of the lease.	(a) That the recommendations of the Cleaner, Greener and Safer Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee be noted.  (b) That the agreement of Silverdale Parish Council to take a lease of the site be noted subject to:-  (i) Detailed information in respect of the financial implications of the proposals being provided to the Parish Council and local Councillors before negotiations proceed further.

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	<p>(iii) That Officers be authorised to negotiate with Ibstock Group Limited regarding the snagging list of works to the site and the provision of emergency vehicular access to the football pitch.</p> <p>(iv) That a detailed report on the outcome of discussions/negotiations with Silverdale Parish Council and Ibstock Group Limited is brought to a future Cabinet meeting.</p>	<p>(ii) Further consultation being arranged with Silverdale residents, the Parish Council and Ward Councillors on the future of the site.</p> <p>(c) That officers be authorised to discuss with the Parish Council any outstanding matters including emergency vehicular access, the terms of the lease and the future maintenance regime and costs and the Parish Council's capacity to undertake these commitments.</p> <p>(d) That a further report on the outcome of the discussions/negotiations with the Parish Council and Ibstock Group Ltd be brought to a future Cabinet meeting.</p> <p>(e) That consideration be given to the development of policy guidance to support the transfer of local open space to community groups.</p> <p>(f) That the Cleaner, Greener and Safer Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee be informed of continuing developments in this matter.</p>
16.	Call-In - Development of Part of London Road, Car Park, Chesterton – Economic Development & Enterprise Overview & Scrutiny Committee	<p>That Cabinet respond to the recommendations of the Economic Development and Enterprise Overview and Scrutiny Committee in respect of the development of part of London Road car park in Chesterton.</p> <p>(a) That the recommendations of the Economic Development &amp; Enterprise Overview &amp; Scrutiny Committee be noted.</p> <p>(b) That consideration be deferred for further information on the land in the ownership of Aspire Housing and the number of car parking spaces which would be available if the land was developed.</p>
17.	Integrated Waste Management Strategy and Improvement Programme (Phase 2)	<p>(a) That Option 2 waste collection method be approved for approval as this demonstrates a 'Value for Money' Option that fulfil the requirement of the adopted waste strategy.</p> <p>(a) That consideration of the preferred option of waste collection be deferred for further financial investigations and a report submitted to the next meeting of the Cabinet.</p>

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		<p>(b) That the implementation date of 2 March 2010 for the change of service for Phase 2.</p> <p>(c) That further investigations are undertaken to look at and to implement cost saving over the next 18 months.</p>	<p>(b) That the implementation date of 2 March 2010 for the change of service for Phase 2 be agreed.</p> <p>(c) That further investigations be undertaken as a matter of urgency to look at and to implement efficiency savings within the current financial year.</p>
18.	Proposed Disposal – Land and Buildings (0.85 ha/2.03 Acres Approx) Forming Part of Knutton Depot, Situated off Knutton Lane, Newcastle	<p>That Cabinet:-</p> <p>(a) approves the release of the property which is required by Staffordshire Fire &amp; Rescue Authority for the construction a new community fire station; and</p> <p>(b) approves the provisionally agreed sale terms outlined in this report.</p>	<p>As per recommendations.</p>
19.	Integrated Waste Management Strategy and Improvement Programme		That negotiations be entered into with the University of Keele with a view to the present Trade Waste Contract being terminated and a new one entered into.