

## CABINET

THURSDAY, 8 APRIL 2010

### DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Cabinet held on Thursday, 8 April 2010. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Holly Adams.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL

**1. CORPORATE PLAN 2010/11**

Cabinet **RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL** that the Corporate Plan 2010/11 as amended by Cabinet be adopted, subject to the Chief Executive being authorised to approve the final draft for publication, incorporating performance information and achievements for the 2009/10 year for which final information was awaited, and other minor amendments.

**2. FRINGE SITES JOINT DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE - REVIEW OF SITE BOUNDARIES**

Cabinet **DEFERRED** consideration of this item to allow preparation of a revised report detailing the implications of Marshall Aerospace's recent announcement of its intention to remain in Cambridge.

#### DECISIONS MADE BY CABINET

**3. LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT (LAA) ANNUAL REFRESH 2010-11**

Cabinet, having had regard to every local improvement target specified in the Local Area Agreement that related to this authority, **ENDORSED** the refreshed Local Area Agreement 2008-11.

**Other Options Considered:** None, as the refreshed document has already been approved by the Secretary of State.

**Reason For Decision:** To show support for the overall Local Area Agreement and the Council's commitment to partnership working.

**4. ADDRESSING THE ECONOMIC DOWNTURN - YEAR-END REPORT**

Cabinet

- (a) **NOTED** the report and the progress made on the economic downturn measures;
- (b) **AGREED** that the Council sign up to the prompt payment code; and
- (c) **ENDORSED** the actions and progress to date, as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report, and following measures and actions:
  - (i) The development and launch of the South Cambridgeshire Business Competition;
  - (ii) The Finance and Staffing Portfolio Holder's decision to amend performance indicator SF752 to require 70% of undisputed invoices to be paid within ten *working* days in 2010/11;
  - (iii) Senior Management Team consideration of the full implementation of paperless procure-to-pay systems;
  - (iv) Continuing promotion and operation of the Hardship Rate Relief Scheme to support local businesses;

- (v) Continuing promotion and operation of the Business Support Fund, in partnership with Business Link, to assist companies most at risk from the slowing economy; and
- (vi) Use of any remaining funds to support businesses in the implementation of the above measures.

**Other Options Considered:** None considered.

**Reason For Decision:** To continue to support South Cambridgeshire businesses during the Economic Downturn.

#### **STANDING ITEMS**

**5. REPORT OF THE FINANCE TASK AND FINISH GROUP OF THE SCRUTINY AND OVERVIEW COMMITTEE**

Cabinet **WELCOMED** the report of the Finance Task and Finish Group and **INSTRUCTED** officers to draft an updated action plan for consideration at the 13 May 2010 Cabinet meeting.

**6. CHILDREN'S AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S TASK AND FINISH GROUP OF THE SCRUTINY AND OVERVIEW COMMITTEE**

Cabinet **WELCOMED** the report from the Children's and Young People's Task and Finish Group and **INSTRUCTED** officers to report on the feasibility of the recommendations and draft an action plan for consideration at a future meeting of Cabinet.