

## **CABINET**

**6 February 2017**

Present: Mayor (Chair) (minute no. 70 onwards)

Councillors P Taylor, K Collett, S Johnson, I Sharpe and  
M Watkin (minute numbers 68-71, 73-74)

Also present: Councillor N Bell (Labour)

Officers: Deputy Managing Director and Director of Place Shaping and  
Corporate Performance  
Shared Director of Finance  
Head of Corporate Strategy and Client Services  
Corporate, Leisure and Community Client Section Head  
Section Head – Parks, Open Spaces and Projects  
Communications and Engagement Section Head  
Legal and Democratic Section Head  
Democratic Services Manager

### **68 Apologies for Absence**

The Mayor was delayed so Councillor Taylor, Deputy Mayor, chaired for minute numbers 68 and 69.

Apologies were received from the Managing Director.

### **69 Disclosure of Interest (if any)**

Councillor Watkin declared a disclosable pecuniary interest as he was an allotment holder and left the room for that item.

### **70 Minutes of previous meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2017 were submitted and signed.

### **71 Conduct of meeting**

Councillor Bell spoke on behalf of the Labour group.

### **Allotment Tenancy Revisions**

Cabinet received a report of the Head of Corporate Strategy and Client Services which set out the updates to the Tenancy Agreement for allotment tenants following consultation with site supervisors, benchmarking and feedback from the council's partner, Veolia.

The Section Head – Parks, Open Spaces and Projects explained that the reason for the update to the tenancy agreement was discrepancies in the legal document which tenants signed compared to the terms and conditions of the allotments. For example with regards to bonfires: in the terms and conditions these were not allowed but they were permitted under the old tenancy agreement. The new tenancy agreement had come to Cabinet as it related to a policy.

In response to a question from the Mayor, the Section Head – Parks, Open Spaces and Projects explained that prohibition of cultivation of allotments for commercial purposes was not in the old tenancy agreement; however, it had been included in item 26 of the new agreement. There had been consultation with allotment stakeholder panels and site supervisors.

Following a question from Councillor Bell, the Section Head – Parks, Open Spaces and Projects explained that most of the Farm Terrace allotment tenants had been relocated. Subsequent to prices being received from contractors for moving, the remaining tenants would be relocated in time for the new growing season.

RESOLVED:

That Cabinet formally endorses the new tenancy agreement.

### **Exclusion of press & public**

RESOLVED

That under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business as it is likely, in the view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the public were present during consideration of the item there would be disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in Section 100(1) Schedule 12A of the Act for the reasons stated in the report.

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**Agree to commence the retender and procurement process for the leisure centre management contract (LCMC)**

A report was received from the Head of Corporate Strategy and Client Services. Councillor Taylor and the Corporate, Leisure & Community Client Section Head introduced the report and responded to questions from Cabinet.

RESOLVED -

That the recommendations be agreed.

Mayor

The Meeting started at 7.00 pm  
and finished at 7.25 pm