

CABINET

**MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, BOOTLE
ON THURSDAY 4TH JUNE, 2015**

PRESENT: Councillor Maher (in the Chair)
Councillors Atkinson, Cummins, Fairclough, Hardy,
John Joseph Kelly, Lappin, Moncur and Veidman

ALSO PRESENT: Councillors Dawson, Daniel Lewis, McGuire and
Robinson

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of any disclosable pecuniary interest were received.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Decision Made:

That the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 16 April 2015 be confirmed as a correct record.

4. TENDER ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE PROVISION OF BANKING SERVICES

The Cabinet considered the report of the Head of Corporate Finance and ICT which provided details of the proposed procurement arrangements for the provision of banking services from 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2021.

Decision Made:

That:

- (1) the Head of Corporate Finance and ICT be authorised to conduct a formal procurement exercise for the provision of banking services for the period 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2021;
- (2) the basis of the evaluation of tenders as set out in the report be approved; and

- (3) the Head of Corporate Finance and ICT be authorised to accept the Highest Scoring Tender in accordance with the approved basis of evaluation and to report on the outcome to the Cabinet Member – Regulatory, Compliance and Corporate Services.

Reasons for Decision:

The Council's Contract Procedure Rules require that where expenditure is above £172,514 the process must comply with EU Public Procurement Rules. The banking tender is expected to exceed the EU limit.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected:

None.

5. APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES 2015/16

The Cabinet considered the report of the Director of Corporate Services which sought the appointment of Council representatives to serve on Outside Bodies set out in the report for 2015/16, or for periods longer than one year. Details of the proposed representation on Outside Bodies were set out in the report.

The Cabinet made minor amendments to the proposed representation set out in the appendices to the report and noted that the Council was no longer required to appoint a representative to serve on the Merseyside Third Sector Technology Centre.

Decision Made:

That:

- (1) the following Members be appointed to serve on the undermentioned Outside Bodies for 2015/16:

<u>ORGANISATION</u>	<u>NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES</u>	<u>REPRESENTATIVE(S)</u>
British Destinations	1	Cabinet Member - Regeneration and Skills (Cllr Atkinson) or nominee
Committee in Common – Healthy Living Programme	1	Cabinet Member – Health and Wellbeing (Cllr Moncur)

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Formby Pool Trust - Board	2	Cllr Page and Head of Corporate Finance and ICT (Margaret Rawding)
Frank Hornby Trust	1	Cllr Kermode
Joint Health Scrutiny Committee (where 3 or less local authorities request the scrutiny of a substantial variation to a service)	3	Chair (Cllr Page) and Vice Chair (Cllr Dams) of the O & S Committee (Adult Social Care) and one Lib Dem Member (Cllr Dawson) (Lab 2 / Lib Dem1 / Con 0)
Joint Health Scrutiny Committee (where 4 or more local authorities request the scrutiny of a substantial variation to a service)	2	Chair (Cllr Page) and Vice Chair (Cllr Dams) of the O & S Committee (Adult Social Care)
Liverpool City Region Child Poverty and Life Chances Commission	1	Cabinet Member – Children, Schools and Safeguarding (Cllr John Joseph Kelly)
Liverpool City Region Employment and Skills Board	1	Cabinet Member - Regeneration and Skills (Cllr Atkinson)
Liverpool City Region Housing and Spatial Planning Board	1	Cabinet Member – Communities and Housing (Cllr Hardy) (Substitute: Cabinet Member - Chair of Planning – Cllr Veidman)
Liverpool City Region Local Enterprise Partnership Board	1	Leader of the Council (Cllr Maher)
Liverpool John Lennon Airport Consultative	1	Cllr Roche (Substitute: Cllr Dams)

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Committee Local Government Association General Assembly	1	Cllr Maher (5 votes)																
Local Solutions	1	Cllr Roche																
Mersey Forest Steering Group	1	Cllr Cluskey																
Mersey Port Health Committee	6	<table border="0"> <tr> <td><u>Member</u></td> <td><u>Substitute</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cllr Burns</td> <td>Cllr Kerrigan</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cllr Dutton</td> <td>Cllr Jamieson</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cllr John Kelly</td> <td>Cllr Mahon</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cllr Page</td> <td>Cllr Thompson</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cllr Roche</td> <td>Cllr Robinson</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cllr Weavers</td> <td>Cllr Jo Barton</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">(Lab 4 / Lib Dem 1 / Con 1)</td> </tr> </table>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Substitute</u>	Cllr Burns	Cllr Kerrigan	Cllr Dutton	Cllr Jamieson	Cllr John Kelly	Cllr Mahon	Cllr Page	Cllr Thompson	Cllr Roche	Cllr Robinson	Cllr Weavers	Cllr Jo Barton	(Lab 4 / Lib Dem 1 / Con 1)	
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Merseyside Community Safety Partnership	2	Cabinet Member - Communities and Housing (Cllr Hardy) and the Head of Communities (Andrea Watts)																
Merseyside Pension Fund Pensions Committee	1	Cabinet Member – Regulatory, Compliance and Corporate Services (Cllr Lappin) or nominee																
Merseyside Playing Fields Association	1	Cllr Cummins (Substitute: Cllr Moncur)																
North Western Local Authorities' Employers' Organisation	1	Cabinet Member – Regulatory, Compliance and Corporate Services (Cllr Lappin) (Substitute: Cllr Moncur)																

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PATROL (Parking and Traffic Regulations Outside London) Adjudication Joint Committee	1	Cabinet Member – Locality Services (Cllr Fairclough) (Substitute: Cllr Veidman)
REECH Steering Group (Renewables and Energy Efficiency in Community Housing)	1	Cabinet Member - Regeneration and Skills (Cllr Atkinson) (Substitute: Cabinet Member – Locality Services – Cllr Fairclough)
Sefton Coast Partnership Board	3	Cabinet Member – Locality Services (Cllr Fairclough) and Councillors Booth and Dutton
Sefton Council for Voluntary Service	3	Cllrs Maureen Fearn, Grace and Robinson
Sefton Cycling Forum	3	Cllrs Cluskey, Hartill and Weavers
Sefton Education Business Partnership	3	Cabinet Member - Children, Schools and Safeguarding (Cllr John Joseph Kelly) and Cllrs Maureen Fearn and Moncur
Sefton New Directions Limited Board	4	Cllrs Brennan and John Joseph Kelly, Mr D Rimmer and Chief Executive (Margaret Carney)
Sefton Sports Council	3	Cabinet Member – Health and Wellbeing (Cllr Moncur), and Cllrs Cummins and Weavers
Southport Pier Trust	3	Cllrs Bliss, Byrom and Hands
Standing Advisory Committee for Religious Education	3	Cllrs David Barton, Veronica Bennett, and Keith

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The John Goore Charity, Lydiate	1	Cllr Kermode
Trans Pennine Trail Members Steering Group	2	Cabinet Member – Locality Services (Cllr Fairclough) and Cabinet Member - Chair of the Planning (Cllr Veidman) or their nominees

OFFICER
APPOINTMENTS

One Vision Housing Shareholders Meetings	1	Chief Executive (Margaret Carney)
Southport Business Improvement District Board	1	Chief Executive (Margaret Carney)

(2) in relation to those appointments for a longer period than one year, the following persons be appointed to serve on the Outside Bodies indicated:

<u>ORGANISATION</u>	<u>NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES</u>	<u>REPRESENTATIVE(S)</u>	<u>TERM OF OFFICE EXPIRES</u>
Merseyside Strategic Flood and Coastal Risk Management Partnership	1	Councillor McKinley (Deputy representative – Councillor Atkinson)	31.5.2017 (4 year appointment)
North West Reserve Forces and Cadets Association	1	Councillor Byrom	31.5.2017 (3 year appointment)
North Western Inshore	2	Cllr John Joseph Kelly or nominee and Coast and	31.5.2019 (4 year

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Fisheries and Conservation Authority		Countryside Services Manager (David McAleavy)	appointment)
South Sefton Development Trust (Regenerus)	1	Councillor Fairclough	30.5.2018 (3 year appointment)

CHARITIES:

Ashton Memorial Fund, Formby	1	Councillor Page	31.5.2019 (4 year appointment)
Consolidated Charities of Thomas Brown and Marsh Dole	2	Councillor Killen Councillor Dutton	26.6.2018 26.6.2016 (4 year appointment)
Halsall Educational Foundation	1	Cllr Grace	31.5.2016 (2 year appointment)

NHS
FOUNDATION
TRUST
GOVERNING
BODIES

Aintree University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust Council of Governors	1	Councillor Cummins	31.5.2018 (3 year appointment)
Liverpool Women's NHS Foundation Trust Council of Governors	1	Councillor Killen	31.9.2017 (3 year appointment)

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Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust – Shadow Council of Governors	1	Councillor John Joseph Kelly	31.9.2017 (3 year appointment)
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SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES

Clarence High School, Formby	1	Councillor Grace	31.5.2017 (3 year appointment)
Peterhouse School, Southport	1	Cllr Lappin	31.7.2016 (3 year appointment)

Reasons for Decision:

The Cabinet has delegated powers set out in Paragraph 41 of Chapter 5 in the Council Constitution to appoint the Council's representatives on Outside Bodies.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected:

None

6. ADULT SOCIAL CARE CHANGE PROGRAMME

The Cabinet considered the report of the Director of Older People which provided an update on the progress of the Adult Social Care Change Programme and the implementation of the Care Act 2014. During the discussion, reference was made to the involvement of Personal Social Services Limited (PSS) in the provision of services referred to in paragraph 3.10 of the report

Decision Made:

That:

- (1) the proposed approach associated with supported living be approved and the intention to report back to the Cabinet outlining the vision and models of support be noted; and
- (2) the report be noted.

Reasons for Decision:

Cabinet needs to be aware of the preparation towards and the consequent impact of the implementation of the Care Act 2014 on the Council and the new duties under the new legislation which came into force from 1 April 2015.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected:

Maintaining the status quo was not an option due to new legislation and demographic and budgetary pressures.

**7. ADULT SOCIAL CARE CHANGE PROGRAMME -
REMODELLING OF DAY OPPORTUNITIES CHASE HEYS**

Further to Minute No. 65 of the meeting held on 26 February 2015, the Cabinet considered the report of the Director of Older People which provided an update on the outcome of the targeted consultation with users, carers and all interested parties of Chase Heys Day Centre (not the intermediate care and respite unit) and sought approval for associated planned activity

Decision Made:

That:

- (1) the previous decisions on remodelling day centres (closures and modernisation) made at the Cabinet meeting on 26 February 2015 and the intention to engage further with the users and all interested parties of the Chase Heys Day Centre be noted;
- (2) it be noted that the detail within the consultation feedback in respect of the proposed closure of Chase Heys day centre together with the Public Sector Equality Duty analysis had been considered and taken into account;
- (3) the closure of Chase Heys Day Centre, excluding the intermediate care and respite unit be approved and officers be authorised to complete the closure immediately; and
- (4) the mitigating and phasing factors as set out in paragraph 2.2 of the report be noted.

Reasons for Decision:

In February 2013, the Council approved a proposal to remodel day opportunities so that in the future, opportunities would be shaped by how best to meet assessed eligible needs and made more appropriate to people who use them. A report and recommendation for a programme of closures and modernisation to the current New Direction's Day Centres

was submitted to the Cabinet on 26 February 2015 and approval was given to the recommendations. Further consideration and consultation was to be made to the proposed closure of Chase Heys, as this centre was not on the original recommendations for closure.

The recommendation in this report to close Chase Heys had been developed by taking account the current understanding of assessed needs, forecast demographic changes, current and forecast usage rates and the usability and sustainability of all of the New Directions day centres in Sefton.

In addition, the Council had significant existing responsibilities for Adult Social Care and invested considerable resources (£92 million per annum) into services to support a wide range of needs for adults. The Adult Social Care Change (ASC) Programme's overall aim was to develop a model for Sefton Council's Adult Social Care that was sustainable, modern and flexible, delivering the four strategic priorities as set out in the ASC Strategic plan 2013-20 as approved in November 2013, and the delivery of the changes associated with the Care Act 2014.

In developing future plans against a background of reducing resources the core purpose of the Council was assumed to be

- Protect the most vulnerable i.e. those people who have complex care needs with no capacity to care for themselves and no other networks to support them.
- Commission and provide core services which meet the defined needs of communities and which are not and cannot be duplicated elsewhere.
- Enable/facilitate economic prosperity i.e. maximise the potential for people within Sefton to be financially sustainable through employment/benefit entitlement.
- Facilitate confident and resilient communities which are less reliant on public sector support and which have well developed and effective social support networks.

When considering the recommendation to close Chase Heys day centre the Cabinet was reminded of these principles:

- Efficiency before cuts – Protect the impact on communities
- Focus on our core purpose.
- Keep the needs of our citizens at the heart of what we do rather than think and act organisationally.
- Proactively manage demand not just supply.
- Ensure we provide services strictly in line with eligibility criteria.
- Pursue growth/investment as well as savings.
- Communicate and engage with people to expect and need less

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected:

An original option consulted on and considered was that Chase Heys Day Centre remained open and was modernised. The Planning Section had been consulted to establish whether the alternative proposal to modernise Chase Heys was likely to contravene planning rules or meet significant public objection. The technical issues likely to be encountered in accessing the restricted site and the proximity to existing properties, together with the planning constraints restricting development to specific areas of the site, meant that development at Chase Heys would be costly, costing up to £1.6M, and be unlikely to provide an optimised design solution that all of the necessary operational requirements be met. It is believed that the investment in other sites, for example West Park (support to be gained by landlord), Mornington Road and Brookdale would provide a greater opportunity to ensure that the operational requirements are met, effectively and efficiently, and will provide better value

The New Directions day centre buildings require in the region of £2.7m capital expenditure to maintain them and incur significant general operating costs. Maintaining the status quo is not an option due to demographic and budgetary pressures and new legislation.

8. TOWN CENTRES WORKING GROUP REPORT - RESPONSE OF THE CABINET MEMBER

Further to Minute No. 66 of the meeting held on 26 February 2015, the Cabinet considered the report of the Director of Built Environment which provided details of the response of the Cabinet Member – Regeneration and Tourism to the recommendations of the Town Centres Working Group Final Report, as requested by the Cabinet.

Decision Made:

That the comments of the Cabinet Member – Regeneration and Tourism on the recommendations of the Town Centres Working Group Final Report, as set out in Paragraph 1.2 of the report be approved and be reported back to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Regeneration and Skills).

Reasons for Decision:

To approve the comments and views of the Cabinet Member.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected:

None.

9. SUPPLY AND SERVICING OF LIBRARY MATERIALS

The Cabinet considered the report of the Director of Older People which provided details of the outcome of a procurement exercise for the supply and servicing of library materials to public library authorities in the North West and Yorkshire

Decision Made:

That the new contract arrangements for the purchase of library materials resulting from the tender exercise completed by the North West and Yorkshire library consortium be approved.

Reasons for Decision:

To enable Sefton's Library service to engage with the new framework agreements and benefit from the commercial terms and conditions for supply of library materials.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected:

None. By participating in the Consortium framework agreements Sefton Council had avoided the significant costs required in officer time to delivery a similar procurement exercise. An advantageous level of discount and servicing terms was achieved via the aggregated expenditure of 35 authorities.

10. SOUTHPORT AREA COMMITTEE MOTION

The Cabinet considered the following Motion approved by the Southport Area Committee at its meeting held on 25 March 2015:

"This Area Committee expresses profound disappointment at the manner in which the Council's budget process this year has treated key issues for Southport residents and businesses.

Resolves to notify the Cabinet that it supports the splitting of the present Sefton Borough into two separate top tier authorities so that the Councillors elected by the people of Southport and accountable to the people of Southport would determinethe priorities for local expenditure."

The Cabinet was advised that a previous question had been raised at the Southport Area Committee meeting on 25 June 2014 whether a response had been received from the Local Government Boundary Commission for England concerning the application to the Commission for a review of the local governance arrangements for Southport. This was in response to a previous decision of the Area Committee on 4 December 2013 that the Head of Governance and Civic Services be requested to write to the

Boundary Commission advising it of the unanimous support of the Area Committee for the recent application to the Commission for a review of the local governance arrangements for Southport. A response had been received from the Local Government Boundary Commission for England which was attached to the agenda and it was considered by the Cabinet.

Decision Made:

That

- (1) it be noted that this matter has been considered by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England within the last 18 months and that their last letter (attached to the Agenda) indicates they were not minded to commence a principle area boundary review; and
- (2) the resolution of Southport Area Committee on the matter be noted.

Reasons for Decision:

The Local Government Boundary Commission had indicated that it was not minded to commence a principle area boundary review.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected:

None.