

**CABINET**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 1 JUNE 2011**

**AT 4.30 PM**

**IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WILLITON**

**Present:**

Councillor T Taylor ..... Leader

Councillor K V Kravis

Councillor D J Sanders

Councillor D J Westcott

Councillor S J Pugsley

Councillor K H Turner

**Members in Attendance:**

Councillor H J W Davies

Councillor J Freeman

Councillor A F Knight

Councillor E May

Councillor D D Ross

Councillor A H Trollope-Bellew

Councillor M O A Dewdney

Councillor A P Hadley

Councillor R P Lillis

Councillor I R Melhuish

Councillor M A Smith

**Officers in Attendance:**

Chief Executive (A Dyer)

Monitoring Officer (B Lang)

Group Manager – Finance & IS (G Carne)

Group Manager – Housing & Community (I Timms)

Member Support Officer (C Richards)

**CAB1      Apologies for Absence**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor C Morgan.

**CAB2      Minutes of the Meetings held on 6 April 2011**

(Minutes of the Meetings of the Cabinet held on 6 April 2011 – circulated with the Agenda).

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Cabinet held on 6 April 2011 be confirmed as a correct record.

**CAB3      Declarations of Interest**

Members present at the meeting declared the following personal interests in their capacity as a Member of a County, Parish or Town Council:

Name	Minute No	Member of	Action Taken
Councillor A H Trollope-Bellew	All	Somerset County Council	Spoke
Councillor K Turner	All	Brompton Ralph	Spoke and voted
Councillor D Westcott	All	Watchet	Spoke and voted

In addition, Councillor A H Trollope-Bellew declared a Prejudicial Interest in Item 11 – Rural Learning and Early Years Project (Sure Start) – Conclusion of Matters, as a Somerset County Councillor and left the Chamber during discussion of the item.

**CAB4 Public Participation**

No member of the public requested to speak on any item on the agenda.

**CAB5 Forward Plan**

The purpose of this item was to approve Forward Plan No. 1 – July 2011 to July 2012.

**RESOLVED** that, subject to the following amendments, Forward Plan No. 1 – July 2011 to July 2012, be approved.

- (1) Management Review – Group Managers – being included for August 2011.
- (2) Supplementary Planning Guidance in respect of Hinkley Point being included for July 2011.
- (3) A budget report in relation to achievement of savings targets for the current financial year being included for July 2011.
- (4) A refreshed draft Sustainable Community Strategy being included for September 2011.

In addition, it was noted that –

- (1) the Draft Economic Strategy would be presented to the Regeneration & Economic Growth Policy Advisory Group prior to going through the committee cycle; and
- (2) it was doubtful whether the CPE report would be presented to Cabinet in August 2011 as two authorities had not yet signed up to this.

**CAB6 Cabinet Action Plan**

(Copy of the Action Plan, circulated with the Agenda).

**RESOLVED** that the following items be deleted as actioned –

- (1) CAB135 – Corporate Plan & Associated Service Plans 2011-12.
- (2) CAB136 – Capacity for Potential Redundancies 2011-12.

**CAB7**

**Cabinet Appointments to Outside Bodies**

**RESOLVED** that the Members appointed to serve on Outside Bodies for the municipal year 2011-2012 be as follows –

<b>ORGANISATION</b>	<b>REPS 2011/2012</b>
Somerset Cultural Forum	Lead Member for Community and Customer – Councillor D Westcott Leader – Councillor T Taylor
ARTlife	Lead Member for Community and Customer– Councillor D Westcott
CLOWNS	Lead Member for Community and Customer– Councillor D Westcott
South West Provincial Council	Leader – Councillor T Taylor Lead Member for Resources & Central Support – Councillor K V Kravis
LGA General Assembly	Leader – Councillor T Taylor
LGA – Rural Commission	Leader – Councillor T Taylor Deputy: Councillor C Morgan
Somerset Strategic Leaders Board	Leader – Councillor T Taylor
South West Councils	Leader – Councillor T Taylor Deputy Leader – Councillor C Morgan
SPARSE	Councillor S J Pugsley
Dunster Working Group	Lead Member for Regeneration and Economic Growth – Councillor D J Sanders
Williton Regeneration Forum	Councillors H J W Davies, E May, D J Sanders and K H Turner.
Somerset Strategic Planning Conference	Lead Member for Regeneration and Economic Growth – Councillor D J Sanders Lead Member for Environment – Councillor C Morgan
West Somerset Strategic Partnership	Leader – Councillor T Taylor
Somerset Strategic Partnership	Leader – Councillor T Taylor Deputy Leader - Councillor C Morgan
Somerset Joint Committee for Voluntary Village Halls and Community Centres	Lead Member for Community and Customer – Councillor D Westcott
The Community Council for Somerset – Village Halls Committee	Lead Member for Community and Customer – Councillor D Westcott
Watchet Harbour Advisory Committee	Councillor A F Knight Deputy: Councillor D J Westcott
Somerset Waste Partnership	Lead Member for Environment – Councillor C Morgan Lead Member for Resources & Central Support – Councillor K V Kravis Deputy: Councillor A H Trollope-Bellew
Safer Somerset Partnership	Lead Member for Community and Customer – Councillor D Westcott

**CAB8 Somerset Nuclear Energy Group (SNEG)**

**RESOLVED** that the Members appointed to serve on the Somerset Nuclear Energy Group (SNEG) for the municipal year 2011-2012 be as follows –

Councillor T Taylor – Leader of Council  
Councillor C Morgan – Deputy Leader of Council  
Councillor D J Sanders – Lead Member for Regeneration & Economic Growth  
Councillor S Y Goss

**CAB9 East Wharf, Watchet – Development Agreement**

The Leader reported that this item would be deferred until the next meeting to enable further legal advice to be obtained on the proposed way forward.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

**CAB10 Exclusion of the Press and Public**

**RESOLVED** that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of Item CAB11 on the grounds that, if the press and public were present during that item, there would be likely to be a disclosure to them of exempt information of the class specified in Paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended.

The item contained information that could release confidential information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person. It was therefore proposed that, after consideration of all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

**CAB11 Rural Learning and Early Years Project(Sure Start) and Barle Enterprise Centre - Conclusion of matters**

(Report No. WSC 75/11 circulated with the Agenda).

The purpose of the report was, following discussions with the Somerset County Council, to seek the endorsement of Cabinet of proposals to resolve the outstanding matters concerning the Sure Start Projects at Alcombe and Williton and the Barle Enterprise Centre.

**RESOLVED (1)** that Cabinet approve the payment of £294,531 to Somerset County Council in settlement of net sums owing by and owed to West Somerset Council in respect of the Sure Start projects at Alcombe and Williton.

**RESOLVED (2)** that Cabinet approve the withdrawal of West Somerset Council's interest in the Barle Enterprise Centre in accordance with the terms outlined in the report.

**RESOLVED (3)** that Cabinet note the result of negotiations with Somerset County Council regarding the proposed sale of the Alcombe and Williton Sure Start buildings, as set out in the report.

Before the meeting closed, the Leader and all Councillors present expressed their thanks to Claire Richards, Member Support Officer, who was taking voluntary redundancy, for her work in supporting the Council over the last 28 years.

The meeting closed at 5.24 pm.