

## CABINET

MINUTES of a meeting of the Cabinet held on 18 December 2007 at County Hall, Lewes.

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90. PRESENT - Councillor Jones (Chairman)  
Councillors Bentley, Glazier, Kirby, Lock, Reid,  
Simmons, Mrs Stroude and B Tidy

The following members spoke on the items indicated:

Councillor Birch	-	items 94 and 97
Councillor Field	-	item 98
Councillor Freeman	-	item 94
Councillor Rogers	-	items 94 and 95
Councillor St Pierre	-	item 94
Councillor Tutt	-	items 95 and 97
Councillor Mrs Waite	-	item 94
Councillor Webb	-	item 98

Also present: Member of the East Sussex Youth Cabinet for item 94

### 91 MINUTES

91.1 RESOLVED – to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 20 November 2007 as a correct record.

### 92 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

92.1 Councillor Birch declared a personal non-prejudicial interest in item 6 as a non executive director of the Hastings and Rother primary Care Trust

92.2 Councillor Glazier declared a personal non-prejudicial interest in item 6 as a non-executive director of the Hastings and Rother Primary Care Trust

### 93 REPORTS

93.1 Copies of the reports referred to below are included in the minute book.

### 94 EAST SUSSEX YOUTH CABINET

94.1 The Cabinet received a presentation from the East Sussex Youth Cabinet on the work and role of the East Sussex Youth Cabinet and the national Youth Parliament

94.2 On the motion of Councillor Glazier (duly seconded) it was RESOLVED – to note the presentations by the Youth Cabinet

Reason

94.3 To receive the presentations by the Youth Cabinet

95 BUDGET MONITORING 2007/08

95.1 The Cabinet considered a report by the Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Resources.

95.2 On the motion of Councillor Reid (duly seconded) it was RESOLVED – to note the latest monitoring position on the revenue and capital budgets and to note that the underspend on Home to School transport is subject to further work.

Reason

95.3 Management action is being taken to address areas of concern.

96 RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

96.1 The Cabinet considered a report by the Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Resources

96.2 On the motion of Councillor Reid (duly seconded) it was RESOLVED – to

(1) agree the Risk Management Strategy 2008 – 2010; and

(2) agree the introduction of the '4 tier' Risk Management reporting system, as detailed in Section 6 of the Strategy and the 'Escalation of Risk' methodology, as detailed in Section 6.5 of the report.

Reason

96.3 To approve the Risk Management Strategy for 2008 - 2010.

97 RECONCILING POLICY AND RESOURCES

97.1 The Cabinet considered a report by the Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Resources, an update by the Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Resources on the financial settlement for the County Council and revised detail on the revenue budget for the Children's Services department for 2008/09 onwards that was tabled at the meeting.

97.2 On the motion of Councillor Reid (duly seconded) it was RESOLVED – to note the progress made regarding the reconciling policy and resources process particularly in relation to the savings plans for 2008/09

Reason

97.3 To achieve the development of a sound medium term financial strategy.

98 ANNUAL PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES

98.1 The Cabinet considered a report by the Director of Children's Services.

98 On the motion of Councillor Glazier (duly seconded) it was RESOLVED – to

(1) note the 2007 Annual Performance Assessment Letter for Children's Services; and

(2) agree that an improvement plan, based on the findings, should be developed alongside the Joint Area Review Action Plan as part of the reconciling policy and resources process.

Reason

98.3 To receive the 2007 Annual Performance Assessment of services for children and young people in East Sussex

99 ITEMS TO REPORT TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL

99.1 The Cabinet agreed that items 8 and 9 should be reported to the County Council.

*[Note: The items being reported to the County Council refer to minute numbers 97 and 98]*