

COUNCIL9 July 2007
6.00pm – 6.25pm

Present: The Mayor (Councillor Bailey), Councillors Armstrong, Baker, Blair, Blencowe, Boyce, Bradnack, Cantrill, Dixon, Durrant, Ellis-Miller, Hart, Herbert, James, Kightley, Levy, Lynn, Newbold, Nimmo-Smith, Pitt, Reid, Rosenstiel C, Rosenstiel J, Sadiq, Sanders, Shah, Slatter, Smart, Smith J, Stuart, Taylor, Walker, Ward, Zmura

For the Information of the Council**07/48 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillors Blackhurst, Downham, Holland, Holness and McPherson.

07/49 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No members of the public wished to address the Council.

07/50 RECOMMENDATION FROM THE LEADER – RECRUITMENT OF ADDITIONAL STAFF WITHIN THE CITY COUNCIL REQUIRED TO DELIVER GROWTH

Resolved (by 24 votes to 0)

- 1) to underwrite the cost of extending the contracts of all existing staff as set out in Appendix 1 Table 1 until the end of March 2011 and that officers are instructed to extend the contracts as soon as possible.
- 2) in conjunction with 1) above, to agree to fund the staff costs which are currently met by the City Council but which are not contained within the base budget as summarised in the table at paragraph 5.3.
- 3) that, subject to confirmation of the Priority posts and satisfactory allocation of the 2007/08 LDV funds by the Joint Strategic Implementation Committee on 17th July, to agree to underwrite the cost of recruiting to the Priority 1 posts set out in Appendix 2 Table 3 for a period of 3 years and that officers are instructed to proceed with recruitment as soon as possible.
- 4) that, subject to an increased government grant allocation to the LDV for 2008/09, 2009/10 and 2010/11 and/or appropriate allocation of funds by the Joint Strategic Implementation Committee which covers the full cost of employment for 3 years, to instruct officers to proceed with recruitment of the Priority 2 posts as set out in Appendix 2, Table 3 with a view to people starting in April 2008 (or as soon as possible thereafter).
- 5) to underwrite one third of the cost of the Development Control Advisor post, set out in this amendment paper, for a period of 3 years and that, subject to Cambridgeshire County Council and South Cambridgeshire District Council also agreeing to each underwrite one third of these costs, officers are instructed to proceed with recruitment as soon as possible.
- 6) that, until the outcome of the government's current spending review is clear, the Council assumes that scenario 2 (to also take into account the additional underwriting required as

set out in the amendment paper tables in para 1.8 and 2.3) will prevail for the purposes of financial planning.

MAYOR