

Public

MINUTES of a meeting of the **CABINET MEMBER FOR COUNCIL SERVICES** held on 27 April 2015 at County Hall, Matlock

PRESENT

Cabinet Member – Councillor A Botham

Also in attendance – Councillor S J Ellis

60/15 **MINUTES RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 7 April 2015 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Cabinet Member.

61/15 **CONTINUATION OF SUBSCRIPTION TO THE RESOURCE REDISTRIBUTION NETWORK – WARP-it** WARP-it was a redistribution network which made it easy for individuals in an organisation to give away or loan unwanted items to others inside the same organisation or beyond. WARP-it was also able to provide financial reporting and carbon emissions reporting as well as detailing how much waste had been diverted from landfill.

The Council had been using WARP-it for 12 months and had made a total saving of £3,500. Initial uptake of the service was good and a number of items had been rehomed to different departments within the Council. WARP-it had many new user functions which would be launched this year. These would make the system even more user friendly. One of the new functions was the provision of an app which would mean that the service could be used offline at remote sites (i.e. when a building clearance takes place). This would avoid the need for double counting and would ensure items were loaded up to the site instantly. All Derbyshire schools had access to WARP-it via the extranet site and charities and other local organisations could also access the site (once they have registered).

RESOLVED to approve the renewal of the subscription to the WARP-it resource distribution network for a further 12 months.

62/15 **REQUEST TO USE BUDGET UNDERSPEND IN 2014-15 TO CONTRIBUTE TO FUNDING OF NATIONAL SINGLE STATUS AGREEMENT WITHIN SCHOOLS – JOB EVALUATION APPEALS** The Cabinet Member was asked to approve the use of budgetary underspend in the HR Division Budget for 2014-15 as a contribution to the funding of job evaluation appeals following the implementation of single status in schools.

At its meeting on 23 December 2014 Cabinet approved the Job Evaluation Appeal Process jointly recommended by Council and schools representatives and the recognised trade unions. The appeals process involved two joint independent panels.

It was a key priority that the appeals were completed and appellants notified of the outcome by November 2015. Unfortunately, due to a number of the employees from the HR Division's job evaluation team recently leaving the Authority, the Division was no longer in a position to provide physical resources to the Appeals Panels as originally planned.

Additionally, whilst Cabinet agreed in December 2014 that an earmarked reserve would be established from uncommitted underspends in the Children and Younger Adults (CAYA) budget to fund the process, this had proved to be insufficient to fully meet the projected costs. However, both barriers could be overcome if approval was given to supplement the earmarked reserve through the allocation of £.097m of uncommitted underspend from the HR Division 2014/15 budget.

RESOLVED to approve the use of £.097m underspend from the Corporate Resources 2014-15 budget to meet costs associated with the appeals as described in the report.

63/15 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC RESOLVED to exclude the public from the meeting during the consideration of the remaining items on the agenda to avoid the disclosure of exempt or confidential information.

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS CONDUCTED AFTER THE PUBLIC WERE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING

1. To confirm the exempt minutes of the meeting held on 7 April 2015 (contains exempt information)
2. To consider the exempt reports of the Strategic Director Corporate Resources on:-
 - a) LCD Panel Cartel Group Action
(contains information relating to legal proceedings)
 - b) Upgrade to Learning and Development System
 - c) Totalmobile Software Support
(contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information))