
EXTRACT OF CABINET MINUTES

MEETING HELD ON 3 AUGUST 2006

Chairman: * Councillor Chris Mote

Councillors: * David Ashton * Janet Mote
* Marilyn Ashton * Paul Osborn
* Miss Christine Bednell * Mrs Anjana Patel
* Mrs Kinnear * Eric Silver

* Denotes Member present

52. **Key Decision - Financial Position:**

The Director of Financial and Business Strategy introduced the report, which set out a detailed plan for delivering the remaining £9.4m savings that the Council needed to achieve in the current year. Members noted that there was a Part II report attached for their information only appearing elsewhere on the agenda.

The Director of Financial and Business Strategy advised that statutory consultations would be carried out with service users and other stakeholders on the proposals in relation to Home Care subsidies, changes to the Meals on Wheels service and the merger of Anmer and Milmans Day Centres. She drew attention to the comments received from staff and unions in relation to the proposals, which had been tabled for Members' information.

The Portfolio Holder for Business Development commented on the proposals and the level of reserves held by the Council. Following receipt the petitions from staff and the GMB Union in relation to charges for staff car parking, these views would be considered in the implementation of this proposal. In relation to the change of the payroll date, the Portfolio Holder confirmed that this proposal would be deleted from the proposed list of savings.

RESOLVED: That (1) the proposed action plan, with the exception of the items that were subject to statutory consultation and the change of payroll date for Council staff, to achieve the savings required in 2006-07 be approved;

(2) the statutory consultation on the proposals set out in paragraph 17 to the report of the Director of Financial and Business Strategy be approved;

(3) subject to the outcome of consultation, the lowering of the subsidies detailed in Appendix 2 to the report of the Director of Financial and Business Strategy be approved;

(4) the changes to Fees and Charges detailed in Appendix 3 to the report of the Director of Financial and Business Strategy be approved.

Reason for Decision: To ensure that the savings target of £19m in 2006-07 was achieved.