

Council

SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS

DATE: **Thursday 7 July 2011**

9. COMMUNITY SAFETY PLAN (Pages 1 - 4)

Recommendation II: Cabinet
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10. REVENUE AND CAPITAL OUTTURN 2010/11 (Pages 5 - 8)

Recommendation III: Cabinet
(22 June 2011)

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CABINET RECOMMENDATION (22 JUNE 2011)

RECOMMENDATION II: Community Safety Plan

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CABINET MINUTES

22 JUNE 2011

Chairman:	* Councillor Bill Stephenson	
Councillors:	* Bob Currie * Margaret Davine * Keith Ferry * Brian Gate * Mitzi Green	* Graham Henson Thaya Idaikkadar * Phillip O'Dell † David Perry
In attendance: (Councillors)	Kam Chana Susan Hall Paul Osborn	Minute 229 Minute 229 Minute 229

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RECOMMENDED ITEMS

232. Key Decision: Community Safety Plan

Cabinet received a report of the Assistant Chief Executive, which set out a joint response of the Council, the Police and other partners to the crime and anti-social behaviour issues identified in the Strategic Assessment, which examined trends in crime.

An officer reported that the Community Safety Plan 2011/14 brought together the strategic responses of various agencies to address crime and anti-social behaviour issues, as required under the Police and Justice Act 2006, and outlined the key components of the Plan. He added that the Plan concentrated on residential burglary, violent crime, anti social behaviour, youth offending, drug and alcohol misuse and re-offending as a means of ensuring that everyone in Harrow stayed safe and had the best possible quality of life in line with the outcomes in the Strategic Assessment. Members' attention was also drawn to the reference from the Overview and Scrutiny

Committee which was tabled at the meeting, as due to the proximity of meetings it was not available for circulation with the agenda.

Cabinet was informed that the government would be abolishing the requirement for the production of Community Safety Plans, which could provide an opportunity for the agencies concerned to explore new and innovative means of producing 'informal' Plans to help tackle crime and ensure public safety.

Resolved to RECOMMEND: (to Council)

That the Community Safety Plan be adopted.

Reason for Decision: To meet statutory requirements that requires the Council to adopt a Community Safety Plan which forms part of the policy framework.

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CABINET RECOMMENDATION (22 JUNE 2011)

RECOMMENDATION III: **Revenue and Capital Outturn
2010/11**

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RECOMMENDED ITEMS

233. Key Decision: Revenue and Capital Outturn 2010/11

Cabinet received a report of the Corporate Director of Finance, which set out the Council's revenue and capital outturn position for 2010/11.

The Leader of the Council welcomed the report, a 'good news' item, noting that the majority of the Directorates had achieved an underspend. He added that as a result, the level of reserves to be held by the Council would rise from £6.3m to £7m in addition to the current Contingency Fund. The administration would also be in a position to set up a Transformation and Priority Initiatives Fund.

In relation to Capital, the Leader stated that although a considerable potential overspend had been identified last year, this had now been considerably reduced. The Housing Revenue Account (HRA) was also showing an improvement from previous years. There has also been a favourable variance

of over £1 million in Treasury Management. Additionally, the Council Tax collection rate had been favourable during difficult times. He commended the current management team, the former Corporate Director of Finance and the Portfolio Holders for their achievements in ensuring many positive outcomes in what had been a challenging year.

The Leader added that the administration had faced several challenges when it came into power in May 2010, such as various pressures in the Children's Services Directorate where a potential overspend of approximately £2m had been identified, a dysfunctional Housing Revenue Account (HRA) and an IT system that needed upgrading. The situation had been compounded by government settlements and the disappointing news that the Local Area Agreement Reward Grant would no longer be available due to government policy changes. However, the administration had made a good start but would continue to face many challenges.

The Leader added that the recommendations would require amending, which the Interim Director of Finance would allude to.

The Interim Director of Finance noted that a correction to the text in the 'Introduction' to the report, which should read as follows: "The total reported revenue outturn for the Council is **£170.550m** which represents an underspend of £1.135m, a **0.7%** variation to budget". As the Council's Section 151 officer, she was pleased that the reserves held by the Council would be increased, and clarified the position in relation to the money received from the Primary Care Trust (PCT) that would be used for the purposes of the adult social care budget, as a result of which one of the recommendations in the report would require amending to make it absolutely clear how the money was being treated.

Resolved to RECOMMEND: (to Council) That

- (1) the allocation of the net £2.1m received from the Primary Care Trust (PCT) in 2011/12 to the Adult Social Care Budget be approved;
- (2) the transfer of £2.1m of funding previously allocated by the Council to the Adult Social Care Budget to the Transformation and Priority Initiatives Fund be approved;
- (3) the addition of £1.0m to the 2011/12 capital budget to fund disabled adaptations to housing in Harrow be approved, with the proviso that overall spend on the Council's general fund capital budget in 2011/12 does not exceed the previously agreed amount.

Reason for Decision: To confirm the financial position as at 31 March 2011.