

**Agenda Item:**

**Report to:** Overview & Scrutiny Committee for Resources

**Date:** 24 May 2007

**Report from:** Katrina Strong, Scrutiny Officer

**Title of report:** **MONITORING OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CABINET DECISIONS**

**Purpose of report:** To provide members with detailed information on Cabinet decisions taken since the last O&S meeting that fall within the remit of this Committee

**Recommendations:** That members note the report and consider any items that they would like to bring before the Committee

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## Cabinet Decisions – 5 March to 30 April 2007

### Items relating to the Overview & Scrutiny Committee for Resources

#### **Cabinet meeting held on 5 March 2007:**

<b>Item:</b>	<b>Motion - Webcasting at meetings</b>
<b>Decision taken:</b>	That officers be requested to investigate the feasibility of webcasting public meetings, including the costs and benefits of so doing.
<b>Responsible Officer:</b>	Virginia Gilbert Executive Director Communications & Organisational Development
<b>Lead Member:</b>	Councillor Joy Waite

<b>Item:</b>	<b>Tesco's Superstore Churchwood Drive</b>
<b>Decision taken:</b>	(1) the revised rental be accepted from 1 October 2006; and (2) payment of professional fees be approved as set out in the report.
<b>Responsible Officer:</b>	Jim Beveridge Estates Manager
<b>Portfolio Holder:</b>	Councillor Matthew Beaver

#### **Cabinet meeting held on 2 April 2007:**

<b>Item:</b>	<b>Concessionary Bus Fare Scheme</b>
<b>Decision taken:</b>	(1) the 'Sussex Countywide Scheme Definition' and the 'Interim Arrangements for Re-imbusement' for the year commencing 1 April 2007 be approved; and. (2) the Chief Executive or his nominee be authorised to agree future changes to the scheme and arrangements for re-imbusement.
<b>Responsible Officer:</b>	Brian Haydon Executive Manager Financial Services
<b>Lead Member:</b>	Councillor Matthew Beaver

<b>Item:</b>	<b>Gender Equality Scheme</b>
<b>Decision taken:</b>	That the Gender Equality Scheme attached to the report of the Chief Executive be adopted as part of the Council's response to the new Duty, under the Equalities Act 2006, which comes into force on 6 April 2007.
<b>Responsible Officer:</b>	Roy Mawford Chief Executive
<b>Lead Member:</b>	Councillor Joy Waite

<b>Item:</b>	<b>Former Mount Pleasant Hospital Site</b>
<b>Decision taken:</b>	That the sale of the former Mount Pleasant Hospital site to Hastings & Bexhill Renaissance Ltd (Seaspace) on the terms contained in the report be approved.
<b>Responsible Officer:</b>	Jim Beveridge Estates Manager
<b>Lead Member:</b>	Councillor Matthew Beaver

**Cabinet meeting held on 30 April 2007:**

<b>Item:</b>	<b>Council Tax Collection Review - Management Response</b>
<b>Decision taken:</b>	(1) the Review Team be thanked for their comprehensive review; (2) the action plan be agreed; and (3) the final Council Tax in year collection rate for last year be noted.
<b>Responsible Officer:</b>	Brian Haydon Executive Manager Financial Services
<b>Lead Member:</b>	Councillor Matthew Beaver

<b>Item:</b>	<b>Management Response to the Overview and Scrutiny Review of the Use of Consultants and Advisors</b>
<b>Decision taken:</b>	(1) the Review Team be thanked for their comprehensive report; and (2) the recommendations contained within the Action Plan be agreed.
<b>Responsible Officer:</b>	Neil Dart Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Finance

<b>Lead Member:</b>	Councillor Matthew Beaver

<b>Item:</b>	<b>Foreshore Trust</b>
<b>Decision taken:</b>	<p>(1) the Chief Executive or his nominee be authorised to settle the breach of trust claim in accordance with the principles set out in the report, in consultation with the Leader of the Council and Leaders of the opposition groups;</p> <p>(2) the Council encourages the Trustees to continue their dialogue with the Charity Commissioners regarding the ongoing position of the Trust as set out in the report; and</p> <p>(3) the decision is urgent and the call-in process should not apply, since any delay likely to be caused by call-in would seriously prejudice the Council's or the public's interest.</p>
<b>Responsible Officer:</b>	<p>Neil Dart Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Finance</p> <p>Jayne Butters Borough Solicitor</p>
<b>Lead Member:</b>	Councillor Matthew Beaver