

CABINET

MINUTES AND DECISION RECORD

26 March 2007

The meeting commenced at 1.00 p.m. in the Civic Centre, Hartlepool

Present:

The Mayor (Stuart Drummond) - In the Chair

Councillors: Cath Hill (Deputy Mayor),

Peter Jackson (Performance Management Portfolio Holder),

Victor Tumilty (Culture, Leisure and Transportation Portfolio Holder),

Ray Waller (Adult and Public Health Services Portfolio Holder).

Officers: Paul Walker, Chief Executive
Andrew Atkin, Assistant Chief Executive
Tony Brown, Chief Solicitor
Mike Ward, Chief Financial Officer
Joanne Machers, Chief Personnel Officer
Dave Stubbs, Director of Neighbourhood Services
Nicola Bailey, Director of Adult and Community Services
Denise Wimpenny, Principal Democratic Services Officer
Julian Heward, Assistant Public Relations Officer
Denise Wimpenny, Principal Democratic Services Officer

218. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Pam Hargreaves and Robbie Payne.

219. Declarations of interest by Members

Councillor Victor Tumilty declared a personal and prejudicial interest in Minute Numbered 222 and left the meeting.

220. Quorum

The Mayor stated that in the absence of a quorum, and in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000 and the Council's Constitution, he would

exercise his power of decision, and would do so in accordance with the wishes of the Members present.

221. Local Government Access to Information

Under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public were excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraphs detailed below in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.

Minute 222. – Para 4 (information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under the authority) and Para 5 (information in respect of which claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings).

222. Equal Pay Risk Update *(Corporate Management Team)*

Type of decision

Purpose of report

The purpose of the report is set out in the exempt section of the minutes.

Issue(s) for consideration by Cabinet

The issues considered by Cabinet are set out in the exempt section of the minutes.

Decision

The decision is set out in the exempt section of the minutes.

J A BROWN

CHIEF SOLICITOR

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