



# Record of decision

**THE FOLLOWING DECISIONS WERE TAKEN ON TUESDAY, 8 DECEMBER 2009 BY THE CABINET**

**THE CALL IN PERIOD FOR THESE DECISIONS EXPIRES AT 5.00 PM ON THURSDAY, 17 DECEMBER 2009**

Members of the Cabinet who were present

Cllrs David Pugh (Chair), Barry Abraham, Peter Bingham, George Brown, Dawn Cousins, Edward Giles, Tim Hunter-Henderson

Members also present (non voting)

Cllrs Geoff Lumley, Roger Mazillius

Apologies

None

Confirmed as a true record of decisions taken .....

**Leader of the Council**

<b>Agenda item</b>	<b>Minutes of the Last Meeting</b>
<b>Decision reference</b>	<b>62/09</b>
<b>Decision Taken</b>	That the minutes of the meeting held on <a href="#">17 November</a> 2009 be agreed.
<b>Questions / Amendments</b>	None.

<b>Agenda item</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest</b>
<b>Decision reference</b>	<b>63/09</b>
	None declared

<b>Agenda item</b>	<b>Public Question Time</b>
<b>Decision reference</b>	<b>64/09</b>
<b>Questions</b>	None received

<b>Agenda item</b>	<b>Quarterly Performance, Risk And Strategic Programme Management Report- Quarter 2 2009/10</b>
<b>Decision reference</b>	<b>65/09</b>
<b>Summary of Discussion</b>	<p>The Cabinet was presented with a report on the Council's service performance, risk and strategic project position during the second quarter of 2009/10 and ending on 30 September 2009.</p> <p>Areas highlighted in performing well included Learning and Achievement, where 92% of schools which had recently been subject to an Ofsted inspection, were judged to be good or better, Community Safety where the one to two star establishments on the "Scores on the Doors" scheme was less than the targets set and a 12% reduction in the number of assaults with less serious injury (National Indicator- NI-20).</p> <p>With regards to targeted Intervention and the Foster Care placements visited within 14 days of a new episode of care – the Quarter 2 actual figure was 47% against target of 95%. Members were therefore advised that a report would be submitted to the Cabinet meeting of Tuesday, 19 January 2010 to address the issues.</p> <p>The Cabinet Member advised that in areas where improvements were required, disappointment had been expressed to officers and a need for positive progression requested.</p> <p>Members were also advised that despite the recent job losses at the Vestas Manufacturing site at St Cross Business park, 60% of those who had been made redundant were no longer claiming Job Seekers Allowance. However, the remaining 40% would still need to be supported in identifying employment.</p> <p>It was also noted that additional funding from the South East England Development Agency (SEEDA) and the Department for Energy and Climate Change (DECC) had been awarded to Vestas Technology to support the development of offshore wind technology at the new Research and Development site at Stag Lane, Newport</p>
<b>Issues Raised by Other Members</b>	<p>Councillor Lumley was advised that all the data used to compile the performance reports was available on the council's internal website.</p> <p>The Chairman stated that despite middle school staff being notified under statutory regulations that their jobs were at risk owing to the Island's schools reorganisation</p>

	<p>programme, it was anticipated that there would continue to be job opportunities for most of those staff, as there would still be the same number of pupils to educate, and the skills and expertise of middle school teachers would be needed in the extended primary and secondary schools.</p> <p>Cllr Mazillius was assured that with regards to the Insulation Scheme, no problems had been identified by the council with regards to Trading Standards.</p>
<b>Decision taken</b>	THAT the Quarterly Performance, Risk And Strategic Programme Management Report- Quarter 2 2009/10 be noted.
<b>Reason for the decision and corporate objective it aligns with</b>	<p>To support the seven council priorities as outlined in the Isle of Wight Council's Corporate Plan 2009-2013.</p> <p>To align with the following corporate themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A thriving Island</li> <li>• A healthy and supportive Island</li> <li>• A safe and well-kept Island</li> <li>• An inspiring Island</li> </ul>
<b>Options considered and rejected</b>	Option B – Not to note the report
<b>Declarations of Interests</b>	None received

<b>Agenda item</b>	<b>Financial Management Report For Quarter 2 (To 30 September 2009) and Update on the Overall Financial Position of The Council</b>
<b>Decision reference</b>	<b>66/09</b>
<b>Summary of Discussion</b>	<p>Members were presented with a report that provided the council's overall financial position and revenue budget and capital programme performance during the first six months of 2009/10.</p> <p>The Cabinet Member advised that there was a need not to be overambitious with the Capital Programme, thus mitigating the risk of under delivery.</p> <p>It was noted that as all indicators were within tolerance limits, the council could be cautiously optimistic over its financial performance and move towards a positive assessment from the Audit Commission.</p>
<b>Issues Raised by Other Members</b>	Thanks were expressed to all Financial Officers for their diligent work.
<b>Decision taken</b>	i. THAT the Council's overall financial position as of 30

	<p>September 2009 be noted.</p> <p>ii. THAT the need for strict financial controls to deliver the revenue budget in balance for 2009/10 be endorsed.</p> <p>iii. THAT the measures being taken with the council's Capital Programme to deliver in accordance with agreed corporate priorities be agreed.</p> <p>iv. THAT the use of reserves and balances in 2009/10 to support the budget strategy and endorse the need to maintain a sustainable level of reserves and balances in the medium to long term be noted.</p> <p>v. THAT the likely impact of the projected deficit budget for Ryde High School be noted and a review of the position as part of the quarter 3 monitoring report be agreed.</p>
<b>Reason for the decision and corporate objective it aligns with</b>	<p>To assist in forming the basis for setting the council's budget to deliver the strategic improvements which would have a positive impact on the way services are provided and delivered for residents, local businesses and visitors.</p> <p>To align with the following corporate themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Thriving Island</li> <li>• A Healthy and Supportive Island</li> <li>• A Safe and Well Kept Island</li> <li>• An Inspiring Island</li> </ul>
<b>Options considered and rejected</b>	<p>Option e) Do not approve the options set out above and propose alternative measures to deal with the identified budget pressures, including a series of cuts in services to achieve a balanced budget in 2009/10</p>
<b>Declarations of Interests</b>	<p>None declared.</p>

<b>Agenda item</b>	<b>Consideration of the Forward Plan</b>
<b>Decision reference</b>	<b>67/09</b>
<b>Amendments / Additions / Removals</b>	<p>The Forward Plan for December 2009 to March 2010 was reviewed and the following points were raised:</p> <p>The Chairman advised that a Delegated Decision on the future of Chale School would be made. This item did not</p>

	<p>appear on the Forward Plan as it was not known whether a federation proposal would be forthcoming. However, following the submission of such a proposal the Vice Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee was subsequently advised of the forthcoming Delegated Decision</p> <p>Following earlier discussions in Decision Reference 65/09, a report on the issues of Fostering would be submitted to the Cabinet Meeting of Tuesday, 19 January 2010.</p> <p>A report on the Proposed Disposal of Land at Stag Lane Tip, via Restricted Marketing would be made at the Cabinet Meeting of Tuesday, 9 February 2010.</p> <p>The Fire and Rescue Service Model for Change - Detailed Revenue and Capital Implications of Phase 2 will be presented at the Cabinet Meeting in June 2010 and not on Tuesday, 30 March 2010.</p> <p>A review of Adult Social Care would be presented to the Cabinet Meeting of Tuesday, 19 January 2010 in line with the council's statutory commitments.</p> <p>The Forward Plan that would cover the period of January 2010 to April 2010 would be published on the council's website on Friday, 18 December 2009.</p>
<b>Declarations of Interests</b>	None declared.

<b>Agenda item</b>	<b>Delegated Decisions</b>
<b>Decision reference</b>	<b>68/09</b>
<b>Questions</b>	The Cabinet Reviewed the Delegated Decisions that had been made since the last meeting on Tuesday, 17 November 2009 and included 4 Traffic Orders and a report on the Proposed Disposal of Well Road Car Park.
<b>Declarations of Interests</b>	None declared.

<b>Agenda item</b>	<b>Members Question Time</b>
<b>Decision reference</b>	<b>69/09</b>
<b>Questions</b>	No questions received.
<b>Declarations of Interests</b>	None declared.