

# Cabinet

Minutes of a meeting held at County Hall,  
Colliton Park, Dorchester on 26 February 2014.

## Present:

Spencer Flower (Chairman)  
Robert Gould (Vice-Chairman)  
Toni Coombs, Hilary Cox, Jill Haynes and Rebecca Knox.

John Wilson, Chairman of the County Council, attended under Standing Order 54(1).

## Members attending


Paul Kimber, County Council Member for Portland Tophill for minutes 59-61.

Officers Attending: Debbie Ward (Chief Executive), Mike Harries (Interim Director for Environment), Catherine Driscoll (Director for Adult and Community Services), Paul Kent (Director for Corporate Resources), Jonathan Mair (Monitoring Officer), David Phillips (Director of Public Health), Sara Tough (Director for Children's Services), Fiona King (Public Relations Officer) and Helen Whitby (Principal Democratic Services Officer).

## For certain items, as appropriate:

Dave Ayre (Head of Countryside and Business Development), Paul Hannam (Principal Engineer), Paul Leivers (Head of Community Services), Richard Pascoe (Head of ICT and Business Transformation) and Andy Shaw (Transport Policy Manager).

(Notes:(1) In accordance with Rule 16(b) of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules the decisions set out in these minutes will come into force and may then be implemented on the expiry of five working days after the publication date. Publication Date: **4 March 2014**.

(2) The symbol (  ) denotes that the item considered was a Key Decision and was included in the Forward Plan.

(3) These minutes have been prepared by officers as a record of the meeting and of any decisions reached. They are to be considered and confirmed at the next meeting of the Cabinet to be held on **19 March 2014**.

## **Apology for Absence**

47. An apology for absence was received from Peter Finney.

## **Code of Conduct**

48.1 The Interim Director for Environment stated that he would be withdrawing from the meeting when the item on Dorchester Transport and Environment Plan was discussed as he lived within the area to be affected by it.

48.2 The Chairman of the Council explained that although he had declared an interest at the meeting of the Adult and Community Services Overview Committee held on 22 January 2014 relating to Grant Funding for Voluntary Organisations, he had subsequently been advised that he did not have a disclosable pecuniary interest and would therefore not withdraw from the meeting when this item was considered.

## **Minutes**

49. The minutes of the meeting held on 3 February 2014 were confirmed and signed.

**Public Participation**Public Speaking

50.1 There were no public questions received at the meeting in accordance with Standing Order 21(1).

50.2 There were no public statements received at the meeting in accordance with Standing Order 21(2).

Petitions

51. There were no petitions received in accordance with the County Council's petition scheme at this meeting.

**Cabinet Forward Plan**

52.1 The Cabinet considered the Cabinet Forward Plan, which identified key decisions to be taken by the Cabinet and items planned to be considered in a private part of the meeting. The current plan was published on 28 January 2014 and included items on the agenda for this meeting. It was noted that the next Forward Plan included items to be considered on or following the Cabinet meeting on 19 March 2014 and was published on 18 February 2014.

52.2 The Cabinet Member for Education and Communications stated that further information about consultees and means of consultation was to be added to items relating to Children's Services within the Forward Plan.

52.3 The Interim Director for Environment added that the items on the Christchurch Primary and Bere Regis Schools would be considered as part of the Asset Management Report on 19 March 2014.

**Noted****Panels and Boards**

53.1 The minutes of the following Panels and Joint Committees were submitted:-

- (a) Dorset Waste Partnership Joint Committee – 28 January 2014
- (b) Health and Wellbeing Board – 5 February 2014

53.2 In relation to the minutes of the Dorset Waste Partnership Joint Committee, the Cabinet Member for Environment, as Chairman of the Partnership, drew attention to the ongoing work to review contributions from partner councils, the establishment of a group to look at reducing the rate of increase of costs to partner councils, the forthcoming tender exercise for the Strategic Waste Facility which would include both "glass in" and "glass out" options with the decision being made in the Summer, and the current review of Bring Banks.

53.3 In relation to the minutes of the Dorset Health and Wellbeing Board, the Leader explained that governance arrangements would be discussed at a Board meeting later that day.

**Resolved**

54.1 That the minutes be received.

54.2 That the following recommendations from the Dorset Waste Partnership Joint Committee be agreed:-

Recommendation 10 – Inter Authority Agreement for the Dorset Waste Partnership

10.1 That Partner Councils agree that 2014/15 cost sharing percentages be those in the final version of the report on the draft estimates to the 24 October 2013 meeting of the Joint Committee, which had been considered by each Partner Council as required by the Inter Authority Agreement.

10.2 That Partner Councils agree that, where households or dwellings are to be used in cost sharing for 2015/16 onwards, they should be the total dwelling numbers for the previous October as provided by the Government in the CTB1 return (line 1, column 10).

Reason for Decisions

55. The approach to cost sharing needed to be kept under review to ensure it remained fair and equitable to each Partner. Cost sharing was part of the Inter Authority Agreement so any changes must be recommended to each Partner Council.

**Approval of Contracts Valued at £500,000 and above**

56.1 The Cabinet considered a report by the Cabinet Member for Corporate Resources on category plans for 2014/15 which outlined the foreseen contract arrangements which required the Cabinet's approval. Outcomes from category reviews and Forward Together projects that did not form part of the schedule would be subject to separate approval by the Cabinet.

56.2 The Cabinet Member for Corporate Resources reminded members that any key decisions, which cost £500,000 or over, had to be approved by the Cabinet. Appendix A of the Cabinet Member's report listed contract arrangements which met this threshold and required Cabinet approval.

Resolved

57. That the categories, term and value of contracts for provision of goods and services set out in Appendix A of the Cabinet Member's report be approved.

Reason for Decision

58.1 To ensure compliance with Dorset County Council's Constitution.

58.2 To raise the Cabinet's awareness of existing and proposed contracts arrangements.

58.3 Provide innovative and value for money services.

58.4 To ensure the County Council had a planned and co-ordinated approach to category management and procurement.

**Dorset Local Enterprise Partnership – Draft Strategic Economic Plan**

59.1 The Cabinet considered a report by the Leader which sought approval of a number of points for consideration by the Dorset Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) for inclusion in the Dorset Strategic Economic Plan which had to be submitted to Government by 31 March 2014.

59.2 The Leader explained that the draft Strategic Economic Plan had been submitted to the Government on 19 December 2013 and was now undergoing a significant redraft in the light of comments received. It had been discussed by the Leaders and Chief Executives at a recent meeting and, although it was supported, they had felt that it should have a more Pan-Dorset approach and be more ambitious. The Chief Executive added that there had been consensus at the meeting about key priorities and engagement which should reflect and benefit Dorset as a whole area.

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59.3 The Cabinet Member for Education and Communications added that the Plan should take account of Dorset's demographic profile by encouraging young people to the area and retaining those already living here, and by developing apprenticeships and opportunities for young people to earn and learn.

59.4 The Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care felt that the current Plan ignored North and West Dorset and the micro-enterprises within the area which helped the economy. She hoped this would be addressed.

59.5 The Cabinet Member for Children's Safeguarding and Families referred to families moving to Dorset and her wish for children to achieve so that they could progress to higher education or to working with learning. This linked to the need for sustainable transport for young people (16-25) which was a key economic driver for Dorset in the future.

59.6 The Cabinet Member for Corporate Resources referred to the consensus for a Pan-Dorset approach and the fact that every area contributed to some degree to the future economic growth of Dorset. The LEP would enable this with the local authorities being the delivery agents. He thought the Plan would provide a good start upon which to build.

59.7 The Chairman of the Council, as Member Champion for Sustainability, supported comments about sustainable transport, but drew attention to the lack of reference within the Plan to an A31-Poole Link Road which would make a huge difference.

59.8 The Cabinet Member for Environment added that although reference was made within the plan to the Jurassic Coast, it contained nothing about small enterprises or building on the environment. There were many small businesses within Dorset who employed a significant number of people and who appeared to have been overlooked. The Leader reminded members of the investment in Superfast Broadband which would provide opportunities and potential for small businesses.

59.9 The County Council Member for Portland Tophill drew attention to links he had with European colleagues and suggested that green environment issues should be explored with European partners. He supported comments made in relation to apprenticeships and schools leavers and reported that Weymouth and Portland Borough Council had made £150k available for economic development.

59.10 The Leader referred to the need to improve the economic wellbeing of Dorset and that the Plan should reflect this. The Plan also referred to East and West Dorset but should reflect a Pan Dorset approach, to interlink communities and work opportunities and work hard for Dorset.

59.11 The Cabinet Member for Education and Communications asked for a report to be provided to a future meeting on the effects of the recent bad weather on Dorset businesses, including the involvement of emergency services.

59.12 It was noted that a number of actions had already been taken by the County Council. These included notice being given to the Government of Dorset's intention to claim, information being submitted to Government about the effect of the recent bad weather on the road network, and collation and analysis of information about individual locations so that a programme of what needed to be done could be drawn up. The Director for Corporate Resources also outlined help available to small business.

59.12 The Chief Executive agreed to provide a report and added that she had met with the Prime Minister when he visited Portland recently. She had taken the opportunity to

highlight the difficult position of small business affected by bad weather and their need for financial help now to help them be ready for the forthcoming summer season.

### **Resolved**

60. That the comments in section 3 of the report and the minute above be relayed to the Dorset Local Enterprise Partnership for consideration in the further development of the Dorset Strategic Economic Plan.

### **Reason for Decision**

61. An ambitious, robust and deliverable strategic economic plan, with broad support from all sectors across Dorset, would greatly assist the Council in making progress with the corporate priority of enabling economic growth through being “open for business”.



### **Dorchester Transport and Environment Plan (DTEP) – Result of Public Consultation**

(The Interim Director for Environment left the meeting whilst the following item was discussed.)

62.1 The Cabinet considered a report by the Cabinet Member for Environment on the outcome of recent public consultation on the DTEP and sought a decision on how to proceed.

62.2 The Cabinet Member for Environment presented the report in detail and explained how plans for DTEP had developed over a number of years, how it had been included in the capital programme in February 2013, what it aimed to achieve, stakeholder involvement and how a phased approach was to be taken over several years to fulfil as many of the details as possible. She had been disappointed in the level of response to the consultation exercise undertaken in late 2013 in that the majority of responders supported the objectives of the scheme, but only 17% supported the current proposal. She drew attention to the minutes of the meeting of Dorchester Town Council’s Planning and Environment Committee held on 2 December 2013 which were appended to the report. She then suggested that options suggested by the public be investigated, an assessment made of amendments which might be made to the proposals following investigation, and that a report setting out options available within the set budget be provided for the Cabinet in September 2013.

62.3 The Cabinet Member for Corporate Resources referred to the amount of work involved in the DTEP since 2003 and the need to address traffic and air quality issues within Dorchester and particularly on High West and High East Streets. He wanted the core of the town to be reconnected to the retail development to the south and for the matter to be progressed. He supported the timetable suggested but thought DTEP should not remain in the capital programme if it could not be delivered. He stated that it was essential for local members to take a leading role.

62.4 The Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care explained that her division included Chickerell, Bradford Peverell and Stinsford which would be affected by the proposals. She was concerned that the pedestrianisation of High West Street would lead to congestion in other areas and of the amount of officer time the Plan had taken up to date with little to show for it. She thought the public suggestions and ideas of local members should be considered but with a time limit. It was felt that a decision needed to be made, and that it should either proceed or be stopped altogether. She also highlighted that there had been significant developments in Dorchester since the Plan had originally been drawn up ie the Charles Street Development and the closure of the Prison, so time needed to be taken to review the situation and provide a practical solution.

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62.5 The Monitoring Officer drew attention to the fact that part of West Dorset District Council's contribution came from Section 106 monies and if these were not spent within a specified time they may have to be returned.

62.6 The Leader referred to the receipt of a letter from Dorchester Town Council's Town Clerk and their support for the report's recommendations and of a joint statement from the two County Council members for Dorchester Town and the County Council members for Three Valleys and Linden Lea and their support for a further attempt to be made to progress the project.

62.7 Members supported the approach suggested by the Cabinet Member for Environment.

**Resolved**

63.1 That all options suggested by the public are investigated/analysed.

63.2 That an assessment is undertaken as to what amendments might be made to the proposals to deal with the concerns expressed by the public and a report provided for the Cabinet at their September 2014 meeting.

63.3 That further development of the project towards construction is put on hold awaiting that assessment.

**Reason for Decisions**

64. To develop a scheme which met the project objectives and was acceptable to the people of Dorchester.

**Department of Transport Consultation (DfT): Draft National Policy Statement for National Networks**

65.1 The Cabinet considered a report by the Cabinet Member for Environment on the proposed response to the current DfT consultation on the draft National Policy Statement for National Networks. The consultation closed on 26 February 2014.

65.2 The Cabinet Member for Environment presented the report and drew attention to Section 3 which set out the proposed response to the consultation and which detailed a range of concerns. She highlighted the fact that 98% of Dorset's roads did not come under the Highway Authority and was particularly concerned by the return to "predict and provide" when she thought spend should be based upon evidence of need. She was also concerned because measures to reduce travel demand had been discounted whereas Dorset was keen to move people away from car use whenever possible and the document did not address increased carbon emission levels and lacked a spatial element.

65.3 With regard to whether other local authorities had similar concerns, the Interim Director for Environment confirmed that the tension between the national road network and local networks was a widely held concern.

**Resolved**

66. That the proposed consultation response for submission to DfT be approved.

**Reason for Decision**

67. Improving delivery of the transport infrastructure of Dorset would help support Corporate Aim 4 – safeguard and enhance Dorset's unique environment and support its local economy.

**Recommendations from the Children's Services Overview Committee**

68. The Cabinet considered the following recommendations from the meeting of the Children's Services Overview Committee held on 21 January 2014.

Recommendation 6 – Establishment of future Policy Development Panels**Resolved**

69. That the Executive Advisory Panel on Universal Services be renamed the Executive Advisory Panel on Children's Universal Services.

Reason for Recommendation

70. To simplify the purpose of the Executive Advisory Panel for members of the public.

Recommendation 18 – Dorset Carers' Strategy 2014-16**Resolved**

71. That the strategy and action plan, be endorsed as a basis for developing carers' support over the next three years.

Reason for Decision

72. The service contributed to the County Council's aim to protect and enrich the health and wellbeing of Dorset's most vulnerable adults and children.

**Recommendations from the Adult and Community Services Overview Committee**

73. The Cabinet considered the following recommendations from the meeting of the Adult and Community Services Overview Committee held on 22 January 2014.

Recommendation 12 – Dorset Carers' Strategy 2014-16**Resolved**

74. That the strategy and action plan, be endorsed as a basis for developing carers' support over the next three years.

Reason for Decision

75. The service contributed to the County Council's aim to protect and enrich the health and wellbeing of Dorset's most vulnerable adults and children.

Recommendation 15 – Grant Funding for Voluntary Organisations**Resolved**

76.1 That the present system of grant funding be discontinued from 1 April 2005.

76.2 That grants to any organisation under the present system be re-evaluated during 2014-15, with funding sustained for a further period after consultation with individual organisations, including impact assessments if required; and

76.3 That advice and support be offered through the POPP programme to ensure the continued sustainability of the organisations affected.

Reason for Decisions

77. This work would contribute to the County Council's aims to protect and enrich the health and wellbeing of Dorset's most vulnerable adults and to help build strong communities for all.

Recommendation 23 – Learning Disability Service Plan**Resolved**

78.1 That the high level learning disability plan described in the Director's report be supported and approved.

78.2 That the development of comprehensive strategies for commissioning learning disability services; for a learning disability housing strategy and for an

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employment strategy which reflect the development of high quality services within the resources available be approved.

Reasons for Decisions

79.1 To ensure learning disability services across Dorset were sustainable and met the current and future needs of local communities.

79.2 The plan would contribute to the County Council's aims to help to build strong and healthy communities for all and to protect and enrich the health and wellbeing of Dorset's most vulnerable adults.

Recommendation 37 – Library Services to Prisons in Dorset**Resolved**

80.1 That Option B within the Director's report, that the County Council continues in principle to provide a library service via contract to the two prisons and the new Immigration Removal Centre in Dorset on a full cost recovery basis so that the service is delivered at neutral cost to the Council be agreed.

80.2 That robust contract management be recognised and that as part of this the Director for Adult and Community Services, after consultation with the relevant Cabinet Members, should seek to minimise the transitional costs to the County Council.

Reason for Decisions

81. To ensure that the County Council managed its budget in an effective and sustainable way.

**Recommendations from the Environment Overview Committee**

82.1 The Cabinet considered the following recommendations from the meeting of the Environment Overview Committee held on 23 January 2014.

Recommendation 15 – Policy to Manage the Skid Resistance on Dorset's Roads

82.2 The Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care asked how the Skid Policy related to horse-riders who were equally as liable to skidding as other road users. The Monitoring Officer added that he had received correspondence from the British Horse Society about the same subject. The issue related to the new surfaces being applied to roads and the order of works being carried out. He had referred the matter to officers within the Environment Directorate and the matter was being addressed. The Interim Director for Environment would follow this up.

**Resolved**

83. That the Skid Policy be adopted with immediate effect.

Reason for Decision

84. To demonstrate how Dorset County Council managed skid resistance on the road network to help reduce collisions and to reduce the risk of third party claims and possible prosecution.

Recommendation 18 – Prioritising and Implementation of 20 mph Speed Limits and Zones

85.1 The Cabinet Member for Environment explained that the policy would enable parish, town, district and borough councils to implement 20 mph speed limits and zones in areas which did not meet the County Council's criteria, following community speed watch being in place, with the cost being borne by the parish, town and district or borough council.

85.2 The Monitoring Officer expressed concern about the County Council's ability to charge for such schemes. It might be possible to accept donations from councils in



relation to schemes and advice was being sought to clarify the situation. Members agreed to the policy being approved subject to legal advice.

**Resolved**

86.1 That the revised method for prioritisation of 20mph speed limits and zones proposed in the Interim Director's report be approved, subject to legal advice.

86.2 That towns, parishes and Christchurch Borough and Weymouth and Portland Borough Councils be permitted to fund 20mph speed limits or zone schemes in appropriate locations, subject to meeting the criteria set out in Paragraph 6 of the Interim Director's report.

86.3 That the arrangements be consolidated within the County Council's Speed Limit Policy.

**Reason for Decisions**

87. To ensure that the County Council's approach to the implementation of 20 mph speed limits and zones was appropriate given the increasing knowledge as to the impact of schemes and in consideration of the Localism Act 2011.

**Recommendation 21 – Community Contributions, associated with Highway Maintenance**

88. The Cabinet Member for Education and Communications asked whether members could use the recently announced £5k funding for use in this respect. It was noted that the Monitoring Officer was drawing up a list of instances where the funding could not be used. This would not prevent use of the £5k for community highway maintenance projects.

**Resolved**

89. That a new policy providing for the County Council to accept contributions from local communities towards the cost of additional highway maintenance in their areas be approved.

**Reason for Decision**

90. In order to progress the County Council's corporate aspiration of supporting local communities to take a greater interest in highway related maintenance issues in their area, in line with the aims and objectives of the "Big Society" and the Localism Act.

**Recommendation 33 – Green Asset Guide: Sustainable Landscape Planning, Design and Management – Position Statement and Guidance**

**Resolved**

91. That the Green Asset Guide and its adoption as a whole authority best practice be endorsed.

**Reason for Decision**

92. The Green Asset Guide directly supported the Corporate Aim to safeguard and enhance Dorset's unique environment and support the local economy by encouraging best sustainable practice to landscape, design and management within Dorset.

**Recommendation 36 – Environment Report 2013**

**Resolved**

93. That the redoubling of efforts to find further carbon savings throughout the Council be supported.

Reason for Decision

94. The County Council's Corporate Plan to 2014 identified addressing climate change and other sustainability issues as a key outcome of the Corporate Aim to safeguard and enhance Dorset's unique environment and support the local economy.

Recommendation 44 – Policy Development Panel on Verge Cutting/Highway Vegetation

95.1 The Cabinet Member for Environment reminded members that the Policy Development Panel's terms of reference had been amended to allow it to look at highway management and related issues in order to make recommendations for service improvement. The Panel had wanted to review how the recommended changes had worked this year with a view to the policy becoming more flexible, improving services and reducing costs. This was outside of the Panel's current terms of reference and a revision was recommended.

95.2 The Leader stated that he did not want a repeat of issues faced last year during the main growing season and welcomed changes to the current scheme which would ensure that this did not happen. He suggested that he and the Cabinet Member for Environment, after consultation with the Chairman of the Environment Overview Committee, draw up the revised terms of reference.

95.3 The Chairman of the Council reported that he would be opening a seminar on Carbon Management and Climate Change at the Corn Exchange on 6 March 2014.

Resolved

96.1 That the "Road Map for Future Arrangements" be approved.

96.2 That delegated authority be granted for the terms of reference for the Policy Development Panel to be revised by the Leader and the Cabinet Member for Environment after consultation with the Chairman of the Environment Overview Committee.

Reason for Decision

97. To safeguard and enhance Dorset's unique environment and support the local economy.

**Questions from Members of the Council**

98. No questions were asked by members under Standing Order 20.

**Exempt Business****Exclusion of the Public**Resolved

99. That in accordance with Section 100 A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the public from the meeting in relation to the business specified in minutes 100-108 because it was likely that if members of the public were present, there would be disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 3 and 4 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act and the public interest in withholding the information outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information to the public.

 **ICT Procurement Requests (Paragraphs 3 and 4)**Adult Social Care case management system to support the transformation programme

100.1 The Cabinet considered an exempt joint report by the Cabinet Members for Adult Social Care and Corporate Resources seeking approval to procure a replacement Adult Social Care case management system to support the transformation programme.

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100.2 The Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care explained that it was essential to have a case management system to replace the current one and that any replacement would need to be compatible with Children's Services and other organisations so that information could be exchanged easily. The process was to be led by the Borough of Poole under the Better Together Programme and the outcome of the procurement process would be considered by the Cabinet for approval.

100.3 The Cabinet Member for Education and Communications questioned why three different IT systems were being proposed. She suggested a holistic approach to procure one system which could deal with "a cradle to the grave approach" which would allow transfer of information and address transition times in people's lives. In response the Head of ICT and Business Transformation explained that there were few IT systems which could be used for both Adult and Children's systems.

100.4 The Leader noted the need for any new system to be able to link with other systems but did not think that this should stop the procurement exercise as the Cabinet would give final approval.

**Resolved**

101. That the proposal to enter into procurement activity led by the Borough of Poole under the Better Together Programme, for a replacement Adult Social Care case management system be supported.

**Reason for Decision**

102. To support the transformational agenda of Forward Together, specifically Pathways to Independence, and the Better Together Partnership's aspirations.

**Integrated Family Support case management system**

103.1 The Cabinet considered an exempt joint report by the Cabinet Members for Children's Safeguarding and Families and Corporate Resources which sought approval to procure an Integrated Family Support case management system.

103.2 The Cabinet Member for Children's Safeguarding and Families explained that a new system was needed to enable children to be followed through from early years to later life. It also needed to be able to integrate with family support and the schools' system which was often the first point of contact for families or children needing support. She asked officers to look at the system from the user point of view, from each stage of a young person's life.

103.3 The Director for Children's Services added that the County Council currently had a number of case management systems which were not compatible. She hoped any new system would make it easier to share information across the period of time a child received support. Few systems offered full integration, but the next phase would address how the system worked across transition periods. The Head of ICT and Business Transformation added that realistically there was no single system currently available.

**Resolved**

104. That the proposal to enter into a procurement activity for an Integrated Family Support case management system be supported.

**Reasons for Decision**

105.1 To support the transformational agenda of Forward Together, specifically Time for Transformation.

105.2 To ensure the Directorate was able to fulfil its statutory duties for social care beyond April 2017.

Replacement LMS software application for use by Dorset Library Service

106.1 The Cabinet considered an exempt joint report by the Cabinet Members for Public Health and Communities and Corporate Resources on a request for approval to procure a replacement Library Management System, software application, for use by Dorset Library Service.

106.2 The Cabinet Member for Corporate Resources explained that legal advice had suggested the need for procurement of a new Library Management System. This would provide the opportunity for closer working with other authorities through the library consortium and it was hoped it would provide future savings.

106.3 The Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care asked that all three legal agreements with suppliers have built in flexibility.

**Resolved**

107.1 That Dorset County Council enter into a procurement process for a replacement Library Management System.

107.2 That the procurement process is undertaken as a shared procurement with the Libraries West consortium.

Reasons for Decisions

108.1 To ensure that the County Council was operating legally.

108.2 To ensure compliance with DCC's Constitution and Contract Procedure Rules.

108.3 To provide a robust new contract arrangement which would provide flexibility for any changes to library service delivery models.

Meeting Duration: 10.00am – 11.25am