## **Report of Cabinet**

3 April 2008

**Cabinet Members:** 

Cllr Mike Freer (Chairman)

Councillors:

- \* Fiona Bulmer
- \* Melvin Cohen, LL B Brian Coleman, AM FRSA
- \* Anthony Finn BSc Econ FCA
- \* Andrew Harper
- \* Helena Hart

- \* Lynne Hillan
- \* John Marshall
- \* Matthew Offord (in the Chair)

# denotes Member absent on Council Business

1. LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT 2008/09 – 2010/11 AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY (Cab Dec 26/2/2007 – 7 and Rept 7/3/2006 – 1) (Report of the Cabinet Member for Policy & Performance– Agenda Item 6):

Cabinet considered the attached\* report of the Cabinet Member for Policy & Performance

Noting that the Government intended to bring in regulations giving local authorities discretion to choose whether Local Area Agreement responsibilities would fall to the Council or the Executive, Cabinet agreed to ask Council to formally delegate the responsibility to the Executive. Cabinet's decisions of this date record their approval of the LAA submission subject to that delegation being authorised.

Cabinet also endorsed the draft Sustainable Community Strategy, approval of which was reserved to the Council by the Constitution.

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report, Cabinet accordingly:

## **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND**

- 1. That, subject to the relevant regulations receiving parliamentary approval, Council agree that functions relating to the preparation, submission and modification of a Local Area Agreement be the responsibility of the Executive, and that the Democratic Services Manager be authorised to amend paragraph 2 (Responsibility for Local Functions) of Part 3 of the Constitution accordingly;
- 2. That Council approve the draft Sustainable Community Strategy 2008 2018.

<sup>\*</sup> denotes Member present

## 2. CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE PLAN 2008/09 (Report of the Cabinet Member for Children's Services - Agenda Item 9):

Cabinet considered the attached\* report of the Cabinet Member for Children's Services. Cabinet's decisions of this date record their authorisation for the Director of Children's Service in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Children's Services to make any necessary amendments to the Children and Young People Plan prior to its approval by Council, as may be needed to reflect updated finance and performance information.

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report, Cabinet:

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND - That (subject to any amendments made as referred to above) the Children and Young People Plan 2008/9 – 2010/11 be approved as attached.

3. SAFER COMMUNITIES STRATEGY (Report of the Cabinet Member for Community Engagement & Community Safety - Agenda item 10):

Cabinet considered the attached report of the Cabinet Member for Community Engagement & Community Safety.

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Members' report, Cabinet:

## RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND

- 1. That Cabinet recommend to Council that the Safer Communities Strategy 2008-2011 be approved;
- 2. That the Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Community Engagement be authorised to agree any amendments necessary as a result either of changes to the Local Area Agreement or as a result of public consultation.