



CABINET

WEDNESDAY, 18 DECEMBER 2013

DECISIONS

PRESENT:	Councillor Mackintosh (Chair); Councillor Markham (Deputy Chair); Councillors Eldred, Hallam, Hadland and Bottwood.
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Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Cabinet held on Wednesday, 18 December 2013. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

These decisions will come into force and then may be implemented on the expiry of three working days after the publication of this list.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Emma Powley on 01604 837089.

THIS LIST OF DECISIONS PUBLISHED:	<u>19th December 2013</u>
DATE OF EXPIRY OF CALL IN:	24 th December 2013 AT 17:00 HOURS

Agenda	Declaration/Conflict of Interests:
Item No	None

6. COUNCIL WIDE BUDGET 2014-19

1. Cabinet approved, for public consultation, the General Fund draft budget proposals for 2014/15, and indicative budgets for 2015/16 to 2018/19, as summarised in Appendices A, B and C of the report, including changes to car parking charges, additional Neighbourhood Warden support and additional Park Ranger hours.
2. Cabinet approved the proposed Council Tax freeze for 2014/15 for public consultation.
3. Cabinet's draft General fund Capital Programme, including Greyfriars Bus Station demolition, Abington Street and Guildhall Road Improvements, as detailed in Appendix D of the report, was approved for public consultation.
4. Cabinet approved the draft Housing Revenue Account (HRA) budget including charges and rents, as detailed in Appendices E and F of the report for public consultation.

5. Cabinet's draft HRA Capital Programme and financing, including bringing the housing stock up to the Northampton Standard, as detailed in Appendix G of the report, was approved for public consultation.
6. Cabinet's draft Treasury Management Strategy 2014/15 was approved for consultation.
7. Cabinet agreed that the Chief Executive and Management Board, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet members, undertake the preparatory work in relation to the savings and efficiencies built into the draft budget proposals, subject to any actions being rescinded should any budget options not be approved at Council on 24 February 2014.

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Item No	None

7. LOCAL COUNCIL TAX REDUCTION SCHEME - YEAR 2, PROPOSED CHANGES

1. Cabinet approved the proposed amendment to the scheme from an 8.5% reduction in Council Tax Support (CTS) in 2013/14 to a 15% reduction in 2014/15.
2. Cabinet recommended the CTS scheme amendment for approval at Council on the 20th January 2014.