

CABINET DECISION NOTICE

Tuesday 1 September 2015



The following decision(s) were taken by Cabinet at its meeting held on **Tuesday 1 September 2015** :-

3. EMPLOYEE INDEMNITY

(a) Decision(s)

That Aylesbury Vale District Council's 'Indemnity Resolution' be updated, as detailed at Appendix 1 to the Cabinet report.

(b) Reason(s) for Decision(s)

- (i) To clarify wording to reflect changes in legislation since the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act was created in 1974, most significantly the Corporate Manslaughter and Homicide Act 2007 and Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999
- (ii) To ensure that the Council and its officers have recourse to suitable defence for carrying out its work noting the increase in health and safety penalties and custodial sentences served over the past 12 months.

(c) Alternative Option(s) Considered

None – it is important that the Council's Indemnity Resolution is maintained and up-to-date to reflect changes in UK legislation.

(d) Relevant Scrutiny Committee

Finance and Services Scrutiny Committee

(e) Conflicts of Interest/Dispensation(s)

None.

4. AYLESBURY WATERSIDE THEATRE CONTRACT REVIEW

(a) Decision(s)

- (1) That the financial terms and other proposals set out in the Cabinet report for the management and operation of the Aylesbury Waterside Theatre by the Ambassador Theatre Group be approved.
- (2) That Officers be instructed to progress the required updated contract documentation with the Ambassador Theatre Group.

(b) Reason(s) for Decision(s)

The negotiated new terms and financial agreement are considered the best terms available at this time and provide the Council with a much improved financial arrangement and also provide for a further review in 5 years time.

(c) Alternative Option(s) Considered

The Contract Review has included a comprehensive report by a Theatre and Arts Consultancy, Artservice. The options of re-tender the contract, establish a charitable trust, consider in house operation, partnering with an existing trust or local authority or including in a larger cultural/leisure contract have all been considered. The option to re-negotiate with ATG was recommended by the Consultant.

(d) Relevant Scrutiny Committee

Finance and Services Scrutiny Committee. A report on this matter will be submitted to the scrutiny committee meeting on 12 October 2015.

(e) Conflicts of Interest/Dispensation(s)

None.

5. VALE LOTTERY

(a) Decision(s)

- (1) That approval be given for AVDC to launch an online Vale Lottery, as detailed in the Cabinet report.
- (2) That the Chief Executive, after consultation with the Cabinet Member for Business Transformation, be authorised to agree the final arrangements for launching the online Vale Lottery.

(b) Reason(s) for Decision(s)

To help in addressing the budgetary pressures facing the council in the future, and to enable community groups to 'self help' by gaining access to their own lottery within the Vale Lottery umbrella scheme.

(c) Alternative Option(s) Considered

A number of different delivery options were detailed in the Cabinet report and these were taken into account in making the decisions.

(d) Relevant Scrutiny Committee

Finance and Services Scrutiny Committee. However as this matter will be considered by full Council, it is not subject to call-in.

(e) Conflicts of Interest/Dispensation(s)

None.

CALL-IN TIMESCALES

Any requests for call-in must be received by the Democratic Services Manager by 5pm on Thursday 10 September 2015. The request must be made by the Chairman of the relevant Scrutiny Committee or any 3 Members of that Scrutiny Committee.

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