

Meeting of the Full Council – 3 October 2013

Report of the Cabinet meeting held on 5 September 2013

The agenda and minutes of the meeting may be viewed on the County Council's website at the following link:

<http://council.lancashire.gov.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=122>

Setting our Strategic Direction

The Cabinet considered a report outlining the new administration's initial priorities in a 'Setting our Strategic Direction' statement in advance of a new corporate strategy being brought forward for consideration early in the New Year.

The Cabinet approved the 'Setting our Strategic Direction' statement.

The Establishment of a County Council Champion for Digital Inclusion

The Cabinet considered a report proposing the establishment of the role of County Council Champion for Digital Inclusion to support the Leader of the County Council and appropriate Cabinet Members.

The Cabinet approved the establishment of the role of Champion for Digital Inclusion.

Money Matters - Update on the County Council's Financial Position for 2013/14

The Cabinet considered a report setting out an update on the County Council's Financial Position for 2013/14. The report highlighted the high risk financial issues facing the County Council, both in the current and future financial years, together with any action which may be required; set out the County Council's likely financial position at the end of the financial year; and assessed any impact on the County Council's overall financial outlook.

The Cabinet:

- (i) Noted the forecast position for the 2013/14 revenue budget and capital investment programme;
- (ii) Noted the forecast position on the County Council's reserves;
- (iii) Approved the transfer of one-off resources available of £7.3m, subject to the successful delivery of Directorate action plans to bring spending back within budgets, to the County Council's downsizing reserve;
- (iv) Noted the forecast position on the County Council's Voluntary Severance reserve;
- (v) Noted the update on the financial outlook for the County Council for the period 2014/15 to 2017/18.

Marmot Approach to Addressing Health Inequalities in Lancashire - Implementation of the Recommendations and Support from the Institute of Health Equity

The Cabinet considered a report setting out options for opportunities to reduce health inequalities in Lancashire.

The Cabinet:

- (i) Considered the three options presented in the report and approved **option one** as providing the greatest opportunities to reduce health inequalities in Lancashire;
- (ii) Supported this approach and tasked management team with providing leadership and agreeing a way forward to ensure a delivery plan is implemented.