REPORT OF CABINET

(Meeting held on 5 June 2019)

1. LGA CORPORATE PEER CHALLENGE – FOLLOW UP VISIT (MINUTE NO 4)

The Cabinet noted the LGA report and responses to the peer challenge follow up visit.

At the follow up visit the peer team spent two days onsite at the Council reviewing key documentation and speaking to over 35 members and officers to assess progress.

The Cabinet are pleased the peer challenge team found an "impressive pace of change" since their original visit. The emphasis on progress in financial matters, ICT, local plan and empowering staff are very encouraging.

2. ELECTORAL REVIEW OF NEW FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL (MINUTE NO 5)

The Cabinet agreed to establish a Task and Finish Group, chaired by the Leader of the Council to facilitate a collaborative dialogue between the Local Government Boundary Commission and the Council.

Initially the Commission will gather information from the Council, including electoral forecasts and other electoral data, before deciding how many Councillors should be elected to the Local Authority in the future. The Commission will then go on to consider warding arrangements for the Council. Implementation will take place in readiness for the elections in May 2023.

3. APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES (MINUTE NO 6)

The Cabinet agreed appointments to Outside Bodies, having given careful consideration to selecting the most appropriate representative, taking into account the nature of the appointment and other issues such as local representation and the relevant experience and expertise of the appointee.

COUNCILLOR B RICKMAN
CHAIRMAN