Cabinet

Tuesday 12 January 2016

PRESENT:

Councillor Evans, in the Chair. CouncillorSmith, Vice Chair. Councillors Coker, Philippa Davey, Lowry, McDonald, Penberthy, Jon Taylor, Tuffin and Vincent.

Apologies for absence: Councillors

The meeting started at 2.00 pm and finished at 2.45 pm.

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62. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made by members.

63. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting which took place on 8 December were agreed.

64. **QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

There were no questions from members of the public.

65. **PURCHASE OF FORMER QUALITY INN HOTEL SITE**

Councillor Lowry, Cabinet Member for Finance announced that an urgent key decision had been taken that morning to purchase the former Quality Inn Hotel site.

Mark Brunsdon (Head of Strategic Development Projects) presented images of the site for information.

The Leader thanked the officers for the work that had gone into securing the deal.

This item was brought forward under Chair's Urgent Business because of the need to update the Cabinet with this information.

66. COUNCIL TAX BASE SETTING 2016/17 AND COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT SCHEME 2016/17

Councillor Lowry (Cabinet Member for Finance) presented the Council tax base setting 2016/17 and Council Tax Support Scheme 2016/17.

Agreed to recommend to Council -

the approval of the council Tax Base for 2016/17 Tax setting as 69,846 Band
D equivalents, which is the tax base after allowing for an estimated collection rate of 98.5%;

(2) to approve the continuation of the current Council Tax Support Scheme for 2016/17.

67. TAMAR BRIDGE AND TORPOINT FERRY JOINT COMMITTEE CAPITAL AND REVENUE BUDGET 2016/17

Councillor Coker presented report on the Tamar Bridge and Torpoint Ferry Joint Committee Capital and Revenue Budget 2016/17.

<u>Agreed</u> to recommend the Tamar Bridge and Torpoint Ferry Joint Committee's 2016/17 Revenue Estimates and Capital Programme to Full Council for approval.

68. **PEER REVIEW**

Giles Perritt (Assistant Chief Executive) presented the report on the Peer Review Challenge.

Agreed to -

- (1) to formally extend thanks on behalf the Council to the Peer Challenge team for their work;
- (2) to agree the response to the recommendations made in the report.

69. **EXEMPT BUSINESS**

There were no items of exempt business.