# **Cabinet**



The Cabinet will meet at Council Chamber , Braintree District Council, Causeway House, Bocking End, Braintree, Essex, CM7 9HB on MONDAY, 31 MARCH 2014 at 19:15

#### Membership

Portfolio

Leader of the Council Councillor G Butland (Chairman)

People and Participation Councillor Mrs J Beavis

Councillor P Tattersley

Performance and Efficiency Councillor D L Bebb

Councillor J T McKee

Place Councillor Mrs W Schmitt

Councillor R G S Mitchell

Planning and Property Councillor Lady Newton

Councillor J O'Reilly-Cicconi

Prosperity and Growth Councillor C Siddall (Deputy Leader of the Council)

#### Invitees

Other invitees:- Group Leaders and the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

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Nicola Beach Chief Executive

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- To declare the existence and nature of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, other Pecuniary Interest or Non-Pecuniary Interest relating to items on the agenda having regard to paragraphs 6 to 10 [inclusive] of the Code of Conduct for Members and having taken appropriate advice where necessary before the meeting.
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### **AGENDA**

1	Apolog	gies for	<b>Absence</b>
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2	Declarations	of Interest
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#### 3 Public Question Time

(See paragraph below)

#### 4 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 3rd February 2014 (copy previously circulated).

No	Title and Purpose of Report	Pages
5	OVERALL CORPORATE STRATEGY AND DIRECTION	
5a	Leader's Update	
	The Leader of the Council to provide a brief update on key issues and activities.	
5b	Annual Plan 2014-15	7 - 22
6	PERFORMANCE AND EFFICIENCY	
6a	Third Quarter Performance Management Report 2013-14	23 - 52
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	Strategic Economic Plan	
	This item includes a presentation by George C Kieffer, Chairman of The Haven Gateway Partnership and Steve Clarke, Haven Gateway Partnership Manager.	
8	PEOPLE AND PARTICIPATION	
8a	Linking the Basic Member Allowance to Training and Development Undertaken	75 - 78
9	PLACE	
9a	Petition from the Holy Family and All Saints, Witham, in respect of the evening car parking tariff a	79 - 82
10	CABINET MEMBERS'UPDATES to receive Cabinet Members verbal reports on key issues within	
11	their portfolio.  REFERENCES FROM COUNCIL/COMMITTEES/GROUPS	
11a	Reference from LDF Sub-Cttee - Open Spaces Action Plan	83 - 86
12	REPORTS/ DELEGATED DECISIONS/MINUTES TO BE NOTED	
12a	Minutes from Cabinet Sub Grp - v2	87 - 92
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The South East Local Enterprise Partnership – Growth Deal and 65 - 74

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# 14 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS TO CONSIDER REPORTS IN PRIVATE SESSION

for reasons set out in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of the Local Government Act 1972.

## **AGENDA - PRIVATE SESSION**

No Title and Purpose of Report

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