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**To: All Members of the Cabinet**

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Councillor David Bellotti	Cabinet Member for Community Resources
Councillor Simon Allen	Cabinet Member for Wellbeing
Councillor Tim Ball	Cabinet Member for Homes and Planning
Councillor Cherry Beath	Cabinet Member for Sustainable Development
Councillor David Dixon	Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods
Councillor Roger Symonds	Cabinet Member for Transport

Chief Executive and other appropriate officers  
Press and Public

Dear Member

**Cabinet: Wednesday, 9th November, 2011**

You are invited to attend a meeting of the **Cabinet**, to be held on **Wednesday, 9th November, 2011** at **6.30 pm** in the **Council Chamber - Guildhall, Bath**.

The agenda is set out overleaf.

Yours sincerely

Col Spring  
for Chief Executive

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- 2. Public Speaking at Meetings:** The Council has a scheme to encourage the public to make their views known at meetings. They may make a statement relevant to what the meeting has power to do. They may also present a petition or a deputation on behalf of a group. Advance notice is required not less than two full working days before the meeting (this means that for meetings held on Wednesdays, notice must normally be received in Democratic Services by 4.30pm the previous Friday but Bank Holidays will cause this to be brought forward).

The public may also ask a question to which a written answer will be given. Questions must be submitted in writing to Democratic Services at least two full working days in advance of the meeting (this means that for meetings held on Wednesdays, notice must normally be received in Democratic Services by 4.30pm the previous Friday but Bank Holidays will cause this to be brought forward). If an answer cannot be prepared in time for the meeting it will be sent out within five days afterwards. Further details of the scheme can be obtained by contacting Col Spring as above.

- 3. Details of Decisions taken at this meeting** can be found in the minutes which will be published as soon as possible after the meeting, and also circulated with the agenda for the next meeting. In the meantime details can be obtained by contacting Col Spring as above.

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- 4. Attendance Register:** Members should sign the Register which will be circulated at the meeting.
- 5. THE APPENDED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS ARE IDENTIFIED BY AGENDA ITEM NUMBER.**
- 6. Emergency Evacuation Procedure**

When the continuous alarm sounds, you must evacuate the building by one of the designated exits and proceed to the named assembly point. The designated exits are sign-posted.

Arrangements are in place for the safe evacuation of disabled people.

- 7. Officer Support to the Cabinet**  
Cabinet meetings will be supported by the Director's Group.
- 8. Recorded votes**  
A recorded vote will be taken on each item.

**Cabinet - Wednesday, 9th November, 2011**

**in the Council Chamber - Guildhall, Bath**

**A G E N D A**

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

2. EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE

*The Chair will draw attention to the emergency evacuation procedure as set out under Note 6*

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

*To receive any declarations from Members/Officers of personal or prejudicial interests in respect of matters for consideration at this meeting. Members who have an interest to declare are asked to:*

- a) State the Item Number in which they have the interest;*
- b) The nature of the interest;*
- c) Whether the interest is personal, or personal and prejudicial.*

*Any Member who is unsure about the above should seek advice from the Monitoring Officer prior to the meeting in order to expedite matters at the meeting itself.*

5. TO ANNOUNCE ANY URGENT BUSINESS AGREED BY THE CHAIR

6. QUESTIONS FROM PUBLIC AND COUNCILLORS

*At the time of publication, one item had been submitted*

7. STATEMENTS, DEPUTATIONS OR PETITIONS FROM PUBLIC OR COUNCILLORS

*At the time of publication, two items had been notified*

8. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CABINET MEETING (Pages 7 - 14)

*To be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair*

9. CONSIDERATION OF SINGLE MEMBER ITEMS REQUISITIONED TO CABINET

*This is a standard agenda item, to cover any reports originally placed on the Weekly list for single Member decision making, which have subsequently been the subject of a Cabinet Member requisition to the full Cabinet, under the Council's procedural rules.*

10. CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REFERRED BY POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND SCRUTINY BODIES

*This is a standing agenda item (Constitution rule 21, part 4D – Executive Procedure Rules) for matters referred by Policy Development and Scrutiny bodies. The Chair(person) of the relevant PDS body will have the right to attend and at the discretion of the Leader to speak to the item, but not vote*

11. SINGLE MEMBER CABINET DECISIONS TAKEN SINCE PREVIOUS CABINET MEETING (Pages 15 - 16)

*The Leader and Cabinet have indicated that most decisions will be taken by the full Cabinet, at its public meetings. This report lists any Cabinet Single Member decisions taken and published since the last Cabinet meeting.*

12. PROPOSED FOOTWAYS AND OBSTRUCTIONS POLICY - A BOARDS (Pages 17 - 26)

*The proposed policy and guidelines seek to introduce clear controls to balance the legitimate aspirations of local businesses while at the same time safeguarding the pavements for their primary purpose.*

13. EVENTS POLICY FOR BATH & NORTH EAST SOMERSET (Pages 27 - 96)

*A guide to the regulatory requirements that must be met by event organisers, together with specific policies regarding events on the highway and in Council controlled parks and open spaces. The policy also sets out terms of reference for the Safety Advisory Group, a multi-agency body which provides health and safety advice to event organisers.*

14. DELIVERING SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC GROWTH IN BATH AND NORTH EAST SOMERSET (Pages 97 - 144)

*This report sets out changes in the local and national economy. It proposes the priority actions to enable sustained growth in the district.*

15. FUTURE MANAGEMENT AND RESTORATION OF SYDNEY GARDENS, BATH (Pages 145 - 160)

*The report considers future potential governance and funding arrangements including the submission of an application to the Heritage Lottery Fund's Parks for People programme for feasibility and development funding to restore the historic gardens in accordance with the priorities and required outcomes of the Parks for People programme*

16. WEST OF ENGLAND GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE FRAMEWORK (Pages 161 - 164)

*To approve the content and publication of the West of England Strategic Green Infrastructure Framework.*

17. GYPSY & TRAVELLER SITES PLAN: ISSUES CONSULTATION AND "CALL FOR SITES" (Pages 165 - 190)

*The Council is preparing the Development Plan Document which will identify sites the District for Gypsy & Travellers. The first stage in the process is an issues consultation and a "Call for Sites" due in late 2011/early 2012*

18. PUBLIC REALM AND HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT SCHEME FOR HIGH STREET/NORTHUMBERLAND PLACE: OPTIONS FOR ORANGE GROVE/TERRACE WALK (Pages 191 - 228)

*Cabinet will be asked to select their preferred option for Orange Grove/Terrace Walk,*

*to form basis of subsequent TRO process and to delegate authority for the development and delivery of the High St/Northumberland Place scheme to Strategic Director of Development and Major Projects, in consultation with Cabinet Member Sustainable Development.*

19. IMPROVING ACCESS TO SUPERFAST BROADBAND IN B&NES - THE BROADBAND DELIVERY UK OPTION (Pages 229 - 242)

*This report recommends that the Council begins preliminary work on a Local Broadband Plan with South Gloucestershire and Bristol City Councils, in order to further investigate the costs and benefits of applying for available Government funding for improved broadband infrastructure where the private sector is not delivering*

20. TREASURY MANAGEMENT MONITORING REPORT TO 30TH SEPTEMBER 2011 (Pages 243 - 252)

*This report gives details of performance against the Council's Treasury Management Strategy and Annual Investment Plan 2011/12 for the first six months of 2011/12*

21. REVENUE AND CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING, CASH LIMITS AND VIREMENTS - APRIL 2011 TO SEPTEMBER 2011 (Pages 253 - 276)

*This report presents the second monitoring information for the Authority as a whole for the financial year 2011/12 to the end of September 2011. The report also includes a number of budget transfer requests for both revenue and capital that require Cabinet agreement or are reported for information purposes as prescribed by the Budget Management Scheme.*

22. CAPITAL PROJECT APPROVALS AND UPDATES TO THE CAPITAL PROGRAMME (Pages 277 - 288)

*This report presents for Cabinet approval some Capital Projects for inclusion in the Council's Capital Programme.*