

**CABINET
Meeting No. 3**

Tuesday, 6th November 2012

COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 46

The following action taken in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 46 is reported. In consultation with the appropriate Executive Councillor(s):-

1. The Corporate Director Adult & Community Services authorised:

- 1.1 88 Alexander Road – Rent Market Value
The increase in rent on the above-mentioned property to £117.36 plus 12.03 water rates per week.
- 1.2 Children's Talking Books – Experimental Removal of Loan Charges
The removal of the current loan charges for Children's Talking Books for the remainder of the current financial year, with a view to the permanent removal of the charges from April 2013 should usage increase. In the event that there is no significant increase following the removal of the charges, the Children's Talking Books be withdrawn from the Library Service.

2.1 The Corporate Director Enterprise, Tourism and the Environment authorised:

- 2.1 Southend Business Improvement District
Referring to Minute 227 of Cabinet held on 4th September 2012, regarding the creation of a Business Improvement District (BID), agreement to the return of the ballot papers to the Returning Officer indicating a yes vote for the following Council properties included within the BID area:
- Clarence Road Car Park
 - Alexandra Road Car Park
 - Seaway Car Park
 - Short Street Car Park
 - 48 Alexandra Street (Avro Centre)
 - Youth & Connexions Services (Focus Building) Milton Road
 - Pleasure Pier

3. The Corporate Director Support Services authorised:

3.1 Acquisition of 61 Windermere Road, Southend

The acquisition of 61 Windermere Road at market value, as detailed on the confidential sheet, to enable the future expansion of the Sacred Heart Primary School.

3.2 DHS Absence Management

To agree the change of provider for the absence management contract and the entering into a new contract with an alternative provider, for the reasons detailed on the confidential sheet.

3.3 Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) Trunking

Approval for the Council to purchase a SIP trunking.