

## **EXECUTIVE CABINET MEMBER – LEADER’S PORTFOLIO**

A record of decisions made by the Executive Cabinet Member with responsibility for the Leader’s Portfolio:-

**MONDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2012**

following consideration of the matters detailed below in the presence of:-

Councillor Morris	Executive Cabinet Member - Leader
Councillor Greenhalgh	Major Opposition Spokesperson
Councillor Hayes	Minor Opposition Spokesperson

### **Human Resources and Cohesion Portfolio**

Councillor Adia	Cabinet Member
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### **Sport, Libraries, Youth and Culture Portfolio**

Councillor Peacock	Cabinet Member
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### **Community Safety and Police**

Councillor D. Burrows	Cabinet Member
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### **Neighbourhood and Community Services**

Councillor Zaman	Cabinet Member
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### **Officers**

Mr. S. Harriss	-	Chief Executive
Mr. S. Arnfield	-	Deputy Chief Executive
Mr. M. Cox	-	Director of Environmental Services
Mr. P. Brown	-	Chief Property Officer
Mr. J. Rowlands	-	Assistant Director Customer Services
Mrs. H. Gorman	-	Borough Solicitor
Mr. T. Birch	-	Assistant Director Children’s Services
Mrs. B. Newman	-	Chief Accountant
Mrs. J. Spencer	-	Head of Service

Mr. D. Shepherd	-	Senior Group Accountant
Mrs. V. Ridge	-	Deputy Democratic Services Manager

## **71. SIX MONTHLY REVIEW OF THE NEW LIBRARY NETWORK**

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report which reviewed the performance of Bolton's Public Library Service over the previous six months, April to September, 2012, since the implementation of the recent Library Network Review.

Information was provided in relation to the following areas, viz:-

- Additional opening at the Central Library and Museum;
- Services to Schools, Children and Young People;
- Library Link;
- Requests received for books not currently held at their local library;
- Use of technology;
- Digital services;
- The Ask Bolton Libraries service;
- Neighbourhood Book Collections;
- The new network – six monthly performance data;
- Decommissioning; and
- The priorities and next steps for the network over the next six months.

**Following a recommendation from the Cabinet Member for Sports, Libraries and Culture, the Executive Cabinet Member NOTED the progress made to establish and develop the new public library network in Bolton as a dynamic platform from which a comprehensive and efficient library service continues to be delivered and AGREED the priority actions as detailed in the report and to await the twelve monthly progress report which will give a full CIPFA comparator appraisal.**

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