

# ***Report of the Cabinet***



## **THE CABINET reports as follows:-**

### **1. Honorary Freedom of the City**

That they have given consideration to a joint report of the Chief Executive and the Executive Director of Commercial and Corporate Services (copy attached) recommending that the Council formally confer the Honorary Freedom of the City upon Monsieur Joël Batteux OBE, Mayor of St Nazaire and Mr Niall Quinn MBE to formally recognise their outstanding contributions to the well-being and community spirit of the City as outlined in the report.

Accordingly, the Cabinet recommends that:-

- (i) it agrees to the conferring, in accordance with the provisions of Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972, of the Honorary Freedom of the City upon Monsieur Joël Batteux OBE, Mayor of St Nazaire and Mr Niall Quinn MBE., and
- (ii) authority be given for the Chief Executive in consultation with the Leader of the Council, to agree all appropriate arrangements for the formal ceremony at an extraordinary meeting of the Council to be held on 11 November 2013.

### **2. Appointment of Aldermen**

That they have given consideration to a joint report of the Chief Executive and the Executive Director of Commercial and Corporate Services (copy attached) recommending that the Council agree arrangements for the appointment of Honorary Alderman for the Council of the City of Sunderland to recognise distinguished service to the Council, the city and its communities, by former Members.

Accordingly the Cabinet recommends the Council to Council to approve the arrangements for the Appointment of Honorary Aldermen for the Council of the City of Sunderland.

### **3. Proposed amendments to the Council's Delegation Scheme**

That they have given consideration to a joint report of the Deputy Chief Executive and the Head of Law and Governance (copy attached) to seek approval to amend the Council's Delegation Scheme in order to authorise the Deputy Chief Executive to exercise the Council's full enforcement powers in respect of trees under Part VIII of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and also to authorise the Regulatory Committee, Deputy Chief Executive and Head of Street Scene to exercise functions under the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013

Accordingly the Cabinet recommends the Council to approve the amendment of the Council's Delegation Scheme in Part 3 of the Constitution as follows:-

Paragraph 2.22 (Deputy Chief Executive) be deleted and substituted as follows:-

**"2.22** To authorise the making of Tree Preservation Orders (including any variation or revocation Order) (provided that if any statutory representations or objections are received to any such Orders which the Council is required to consider they shall be reported to the Planning and Highways Committee for consideration) and to exercise the Council's enforcement powers in respect of trees under Part VIII of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990,"

and

The further amendments set out in the Schedule to the report be made in relation to the exercise of functions under the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013 and that the Head of Street Scene be appointed as the person to whom oral representations are to be made under paragraph 7(8) of Schedule 1 to the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013.

### **4. Youth Justice Plan 2013/14 to 2015/16**

That they have given consideration to a report of the Executive Director of People Services (copy attached) seeking approval to the publication and distribution of the Youth Justice Plan 2013/14 to 2015/16. The report outlines the background, purpose and intentions of the Plan and provides the Plan intended for publication.

They also referred the report to the Scrutiny Committee for further advice and consideration. The Scrutiny Committee recommended that future reports give more detailed cost benefit analysis in order to demonstrate value for money. The Scrutiny Committee were satisfied with the remaining content of the Youth Justice Plan and had no further comment to make.

Accordingly the Cabinet recommends the Council to consider the contents of the report and approve the Youth Justice Plan 2013/14 to 2015/16 and agree to its publication and distribution.

