HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES of the meeting of the CABINET held in the Civic Suite 0.1A, Pathfinder House, St Mary's Street, Huntingdon, PE29 3TN on Monday, 8 August 2016.

PRESENT: Councillor R B Howe – Chairman.

Councillors J A Gray, D Brown, G J Bull, R C Carter, S Cawley, R Harrison,

J M Palmer and D M Tysoe.

APOLOGY(IES): Apologies for absence from the meeting were

submitted on behalf of Councillors

S J Criswell.

30. MEMBERS' INTERESTS

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary or other interests received at the meeting.

31. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED:

that the press and public be excluded from the meeting because the business to be transacted contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information); and information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority.

32. COMMERCIAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY ASSET

Due to the reasons as contained within the exempt report, the dates of future Cabinet meetings and an imminent decision being required, having obtained the agreement of the Chairman of Council, an item of business was considered under the Special Urgency Provisions - Section 16 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules, as contained in the Council's Constitution, in accordance with Section 100B (4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972.

A Special meeting of the Cabinet was required as had the decision been delayed to the next Cabinet meeting scheduled in September, it would have been be too late and detrimental to the item of business.

The Cabinet gave consideration to an exempt report by the Head of Resources (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) regarding a Commercial Investment Strategy asset, as detailed within the submitted report.

The Cabinet, having fully debated the matter and been satisfied with responses provided by the Head of Resources and the Interim Commercial Estates Manager, the Executive Leader provided an opportunity for those non-Executive Members in attendance at the meeting to address the Cabinet.

On considering the recommendation an amendment was proposed which was accepted. Whereupon the Cabinet

RESOLVED

To approve the recommendation as contained within the submitted exempt report, as amended.

Chairman