

**MINUTES
CABINET**

Thursday 5 August 2021

Councillor John Clarke (Chair)

Councillor Peter Barnes
Councillor David Ellis
Councillor Gary Gregory

Councillor Jenny Hollingsworth
Councillor Viv McCrossen

Absent: Councillor Michael Payne and Councillor Henry Wheeler

Officers in Attendance: P Adcock, A Davey, J Davies, C Goodall, M Hill and F Whyley

21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Payne and Wheeler.

22 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8 JULY 2021

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the above meeting, having been circulated, be approved as a correct record.

23 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None

24 FINAL REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DOMESTIC ABUSE AND ACCOMMODATION WORKING GROUP

The Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee introduced a report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, presenting the report and recommendations of the working group established to examine issues around domestic abuse.

RESOLVED to:

- 1) Thank the working group for the report and note the recommendations; and

- 2) Note that a written response to the recommendations will be provided to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee within 28 days.

25 DECISION OF OMBUDSMAN FOLLOWING COMPLAINT AGAINST THE COUNCIL

The Monitoring Officer introduced a report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, informing Members of a finding of maladministration with injustice by the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman (“the Ombudsman”) against Gedling Borough Council in response to a complaint by Ms X with regard to the way the Council communicated its housing review decision to Ms X in September 2020.

RESOLVED to:

- 1) Note the Ombudsman’s decision at Appendix 1 to the report;
- 2) Note that a copy of the report had been circulated to all members of the Council; and
- 3) Instruct the Monitoring Officer to prepare a report, on behalf of the Executive, setting out the action to be taken and reasons for it being prepared.

26 WELCOME BACK FUND

The Head of Regeneration and Welfare introduced a report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, seeking approval in accordance with the Councils Financial Regulations for an addition to the revenue budget for the “Welcome Back Fund” Project, which is grant funded through the recently announced ERDF fund and seeking approval for the implementation of the Welcome Back Fund project across the Borough’s town and local centres and obtain the delegations as outlined in the recommendations to enable the project to be delivered.

RESOLVED to:

- 1) Approve by virement the establishment of a budget of £105,200 for the Welcome Back Fund project, which is fully grant funded from the European Regional Development Fund; and
- 2) Delegate authority to the Head of Regeneration and Welfare, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Growth and Regeneration, to implement the associated action plan subject to any necessary approvals or consents being obtained to enable implementation.

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QUARTER 1 PERFORMANCE

The Chief Executive introduced a report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, informing Cabinet in summary of the position against Improvement Actions and Performance Indicators in the 2020-23 Gedling Plan at the end of 2021/22 quarter 1.

The Chief Executive added that further to the publication of the report, two of the missing waste performance indicators for quarter 1 had been updated as follows:

1. Residual household waste per household in Kg – quarter one actual was 135.7kg against a target of 140kg - Status GREEN
2. Percentage of household waste sent for reuse, recycling and composting – quarter one actual was 37.5% against a target of 36.0% - Status GREEN

RESOLVED to:

Note the progress against the Improvement Actions and Performance Indicators in the 2020-23 Gedling Plan for the end of 2021/22 quarter 1.

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PRUDENTIAL CODE INDICATOR MONITORING 2021/22 AND QUARTERLY TREASURY ACTIVITY REPORT FOR QUARTER 1

The Head of Finance and ICT introduced a report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, updating Members on the performance monitoring of the 2021/22 Prudential Code Indicators, and advising Members of the quarterly Treasury activity as required by the Treasury Management Strategy.

RESOLVED:

To note the report, together with the Treasury Activity Report 2021/22 for Quarter 1 at Appendix 1, and the Prudential and Treasury Indicator Monitoring 2020/21 for Quarter 1, at Appendix 2 to the report.

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BUDGET MONITORING (Q1) AND VIREMENT REPORT

The Head of Finance and IT introduced a report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, updating Cabinet on the forecast outturn for Revenue and Capital Budgets for 2021/22 and to request approval from Cabinet for the changes to the budget as set out in the report.

RESOLVED to:

- 1) Approve the General Fund Budget virements set out in Appendix 1 to the report;

- 2) Note the use of reserves and funds during quarter one as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report; and
- 3) Approve the changes to the capital programme included in paragraph 2.4 of the report.

30 FORWARD PLAN

Consideration was given to a report of the Service Manager, Democratic Services, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, detailing the Executive's draft Forward Plan for the next four month period.

RESOLVED:

To note the report.

31 ANY OTHER ITEMS THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

The meeting finished at 3.10 pm

Signed by Chair:
Date: