# MINUTES CABINET

# Thursday 11 October 2018

Councillor Michael Payne (Chair)

Councillor Peter Barnes Councillor Gary Gregory

Councillor John Clarke Councillor Jenny Hollingsworth
Councillor David Ellis Councillor Henry Wheeler

Absent: Councillor Chris Barnfather

Officers in Attendance: K Bradford, H Barrington, M Cryer, A Dubberley,

M Hill and M Hurst

## 48 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Clarke and Councillor Barnfather (observer).

# 49 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6 SEPTEMBER 2018.

# **RESOLVED:**

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

# 50 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

# 51 REGULATION OF INVESTIGATORY POWERS ACT 2000 (RIPA) ANNUAL AUDIT AND UPDATE

The Director of Organisational Development and Democratic Services introduced a report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, updating Members in relation to the Council's use of powers under the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000.

### **RESOLVED to:**

- 1) Note the contents of the report; and
- 2) Approve the updated Regulation of Investigatory Powers policy document at Appendix 1 to the report.

# 52 GEDLING COUNTRY PARK DESIGNATION AS LOCAL NATURE RESERVE

The Service Manager Parks and Street Care introduced a report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, seeking Cabinet approval to designate Gedling Country Park as a Local Nature Reserve.

Members congratulated all of the officers involved in the project and thanked

#### **RESOLVED to:**

- 1) Designate Gedling Country Park, which is in council ownership, as a Local Nature Reserve;
- Authorise the Director of Health and Community Wellbeing and the Director of Organisational Development and Democratic Services, in conjunction with the Service Manager Parks and Street Care, to proceed with the publication and designation process; and
- Adopt the 5 year site Management plan produced by EMEC Ecology, updated by Parks Development Staff and the 'friends of group'.
- 4) Formally thank the Friends of Gedling Country Park and associated volunteers, for their continued support and contribution to the development of Country Park and their input into its designation as a local nature reserve.

## 53 REMOVAL OF UNDER 18 BURIAL CHARGES

The Service Manager Parks and Street Care introduced a report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, seeking Cabinet approval to remove the charge for burials in Council owned cemeteries where the deceased is under 18 years old.

Councillor Paling asked if the charge could be reviewed in light of children with special educational needs being classified as children until the age of 19.

## **RESOLVED to:**

- 1) Approve the removal of charges made to residents of Gedling Borough for burials for those under 18 years of age with immediate effect; and
- 2) Delegate to the relevant portfolio holder authority to include children with special educational needs aged up to 19 years old

within the policy pending the outcome of investigations into the financial implications of the change

Councillor Clarke joined the meeting.

# 54 UPDATE ON RECYCLING, PERFORMANCE AND PROGRESS ON THE PLASTIC CLEVER COUNCIL INITIATIVE

The Service Manager Transport and Waste introduced a report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, updating members on the latest position regarding recycling performance and progress on the Plastic Clever Council Initiative.

## **RESOLVED to:**

- 1) Note the report; and
- 2) Recommend that the Council hosts a recycling summit involving the County Council, district councils and partners in early 2019 with the aim of creating a joint strategy to improve recycling rates across Nottinghamshire and to develop a high profile campaign to increase recycling and reduce contamination rates.

## 55 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.

## 56 ANY OTHER ITEMS THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

The meeting finished at 1.30 pm

Signed by Chair: Date: