

MINUTES CABINET

Thursday 11 February 2021

Councillor John Clarke (Chair)

Councillor Michael Payne
Councillor Peter Barnes
Councillor David Ellis
Councillor Gary Gregory

Councillor Jenny Hollingsworth
Councillor Viv McCrossen
Councillor Henry Wheeler

77 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

78 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 28 JANUARY 2021

RESOLVED:

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

79 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillors Clarke and Payne declared non-pecuniary interests in item 6 on the agenda in respect of land owned by Nottinghamshire County Council as County Councillors.

80 UPDATE ON THE WORK OF THE POLICY ADVISORS

The Chief Executive introduced a report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, updating Members on the actions and activities that the Policy Advisors had undertaken since their appointment in May 2019.

The Leader moved an amended focus and remit of Policy Advisors and the Deputy Leader seconded this.

RESOLVED to:

- 1) Note the content of the report; and
- 2) Note that the Leader has amended the focus and remit of the Policy Advisors as follows:

- Policy Advisor for Regeneration, Recovery and Rural Affairs - Councillor Julie Najuk
- Policy Advisor for Equalities, Diversity and Young People – Councillor Kathryn Fox
- Policy Advisor for Environment and Climate Change – Councillor Ron McCrossen
- Policy Advisor for Women, Domestic Abuse and Hate Crime – Councillor Rosa Keneally
- Policy Advisor for Heritage and Homelessness – Councillor Des Gibbons

81 TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION

The Head of Regeneration and Welfare introduced a report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, introducing Members to the Temporary Accommodation Options Appraisal findings and the proposed future approach to reduce B&B and nightly paid for accommodation usage.

RESOLVED to:

- 1) Note the Temporary Accommodation Options Appraisal at Appendix A to the report, which sets out the preferred approach for the Council to reduce its use of B&B and nightly paid accommodation usage for temporary accommodation purposes;
- 2) Note that a request for approval of a Capital Budget of £1,154,000 has been included in the Capital Budget Report being presented to Members at this meeting, for referral to Council for approval on 4 March 2021, to allow for the purchasing 8 properties for use as temporary accommodation;
- 3) Note that a request for approval of a Capital Budget of £2,647,000 has been included in the Capital Budget Report being presented to Members at this meeting, for referral to Council for approval on 4 March 2021, for the development of Station Road and Burton Road sites; and
- 4) Note the achievements delivered by funding secured from the Next Steps Accommodation Programme (NSAP) and the recent award from the Cold Weather Fund 2020.

82 GEDLING BOROUGH FIVE YEAR HOUSING LAND SUPPLY ASSESSMENT 2020

The Planning Policy Manager introduced a report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, informing Members of the Five Year Housing Land Supply Assessment.

RESOLVED to:

Note the Gedling Borough Five Year Housing Land Supply Assessment 2020.

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PRUDENTIAL AND TREASURY INDICATORS AND TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY STATEMENT (TMSS) 2021/22

The Director of Corporate Resources and S151 Officer introduced the report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, presenting the Council's Prudential Code Indicators and Treasury Strategy for 2021/22.

RESOLVED to:

- 1) Approve the Prudential and Treasury Indicators and Treasury Management Strategy Statement 2021/22, which includes the key elements below, and refer it to Council on 4 March 2021 for approval:
 - a) The Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Policy Statement (2.2);
 - b) The Borrowing Strategy (2.3.4);
 - c) The Annual Investment Strategy (2.3.8);
 - d) Capital Affordability Prudential Indicators for 2021/22 to 2023/24 (Appendix 1);
 - e) Treasury Indicators including affordability limits to borrowing for 2021/22 to 2023/24 (Appendix 1); and

- 2) Note the indicative Prudential and Treasury Indicators for 2024/25 and 2025/26 (Appendix 1).

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CAPITAL PROGRAMME AND CAPITAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

The Director of Corporate Resources and Section 151 Officer introduced the Capital programme for the next financial year as well as an indicative capital spending strategy for the next five years.

RESOLVED to:

- 1) Note the estimated capital financing available for 2021/22 to 2025/26;

- 2) Approve the Capital Investment Strategy 2021/22 to 2025/26 detailed at Appendix 1 to the report and refer it to Council for approval on 4 March 2021;

- 3) Approve the Capital Programme for 2021/22 to 2023/24 detailed at Appendix 2 to the report and refer it to Council for approval on 4 March 2021; and

4) Note the indicative Capital Programme for 2024/25 to 2025/26.

85 GENERAL FUND BUDGET 2021/22

The Director for Corporate Resources and Section 151 Officer introduced the proposed 2021/22 general fund budget.

RESOLVED to:

- 1) Approve a 3% discretionary income inflation increase for the individual portfolios as shown in the table at paragraph 2.5.5 of the report; and
- 2) To recommend to Council on 4 March 2021:
 - a) that the financial threshold above which decisions will be regarded as Key Decisions be set at £0.5m for 2021/22;
 - b) a Council Tax increase of 2.97% (£5.00) which balances the financing of a Net Council Tax Requirement of £6,471,100 in 2021/22;
 - c) that the detailed budget for 2021/22, as detailed in Appendix 2 of the report is approved.

86 GEDLING PLAN 2021/22

The Chief Executive gave a review of the Gedling Plan for 2020-23 and sought approval for a number of amendments.

RESOLVED to:

- 1) Note the review of the Gedling Plan 2020-23; and
- 2) Agree the amendments to objectives and actions contained in the Gedling Plan as set out in the report, for referral to Council on 4 March 2021.

87 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.

88 ANY OTHER ITEMS THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

The meeting finished at 3.35 pm

Signed by Chair:
Date: