

**MINUTES
CABINET**

Wednesday 31 January 2024

Councillor John Clarke (Chair)

Councillor Michael Payne
Councillor David Ellis
Councillor Kathryn Fox
Councillor Jenny Hollingsworth

Councillor Marje Paling
Councillor Lynda Pearson
Councillor Henry Wheeler

Absent: Councillor Viv McCrossen

Officers in Attendance: T Adams, M Hill, C McCleary and F Whyley

61 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Viv McCrossen.

62 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 14 DECEMBER 2023

RESOLVED:

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

63 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None.

64 FORWARD PLAN

Consideration was given to a report of the Democratic Services Manager, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, detailing the Executive's draft Forward Plan for the next six month period. In relation to the forward plan item Modern Slavery Statement 2022/23, a correction was noted that the Cabinet portfolio holder should state 'Public Protection', not 'Life Chances and Vulnerability'.

RESOLVED:

To note the report.

65 PROGRESS REPORT ON CARBON MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

The Head of Environment introduced a report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, updating members on the progress of the Carbon Management Strategy and Action Plan. Consideration was given to two separate presentations, one from the Council's Climate Change Officer and the second from the Gedling Climate Change Group.

RESOLVED:

To note the summary of actions and activities already undertaken by the Council so far this year.

66 CONSULTATION ON EQUALITIES & DIVERSITY POLICY

The Interim Corporate Director introduced a report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, seeking approval to launch a consultation on changes to the Council's Equality and Diversity Policy 2024-27 and updating members on the ongoing equality and diversity work.

RESOLVED to:

- 1) Note the work undertaken on the Equality and Diversity framework and action plan and the wider work undertaken to strengthen the Council's approach to equality and diversity in the performance of its functions from 2021-2024; and
- 2) Agree to the public consultation on the Council's updated Equality and Diversity Policy 2024-27.

**67 MODERN SLAVERY AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING STATEMENT
2022/23**

The Chief Executive introduced a report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, seeking approval of the Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement 2022/23 and a new Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Policy.

RESOLVED to:

- 1) Approve the Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement 2022/23; and
- 2) Approve the Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Policy 2024-2027.

68 GEDLING PLAN QUARTER 3 REPORT 2023-24

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 2023-27 Gedling Plan at the end of quarter 3 2023/24.

RESOLVED:

To note the report.

69 PRUDENTIAL CODE INDICATOR MONITORING 2023/24 AND QUARTERLY TREASURY ACTIVITY REPORT FOR QUARTER ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

The Head of Finance and ICT and Deputy S151 officer introduced a report, informing Cabinet of the performance monitoring of the 2023/24 prudential code indicators, and advising members of the quarterly treasury activity as required by the treasury management strategy.

RESOLVED:

That the report, together with the treasury activity report 2023/24 for quarter 3 at appendix 1, and the prudential and treasury indicator monitoring 2023/24 for quarter 3 at appendix 2 of the report, be noted.

70 QUARTERLY BUDGET MONITORING AND VIREMENT REPORT – QUARTER 3 DECEMBER 2023

The Head of Finance and ICT and Deputy S151 Officer introduced a report, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, updating Cabinet on the forecast outturn for revenue and capital budgets for 2023/24, including all approved carried forward amounts from the 2022/23 financial year and to request approval for changes to the budget as set out in the report.

RESOLVED to:

- 1) Approve the general fund budget virements set out in appendix 1 of the report;
- 2) Note the use of reserves and funds during quarter three as detailed in appendix 2 of the report;
- 3) Approve the changes to the capital programme included in paragraph 2.3 of the report; and
- 4) Recommend to Council approval of an additional £100,000 to the capital programme and borrowing for funding repairs to the large storage shed as set out in section 2.3 of the report.

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ANY OTHER ITEMS THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

The meeting finished at 3.45 pm

Signed by Chair:

Date: