MINUTES CABINET

Thursday 11 September 2014

Councillor Michael Payne (Chair)

Councillor Peter Barnes
Councillor Darrell Pulk

Councillor Henry Wheeler

Observers: Councillor Chris Barnfather

Absent: Councillor John Clarke, Councillor Kathryn Fox and

Councillor Paul Hughes

Officers in Attendance: J Robinson, H Barrington, S Bray, P Darlington,

M Kimberley and A Dubberley

148 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were received from Councillors Clarke and Fox. Apologies were also received from Councillor Hughes (observer).

TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 7 AND 28 AUGUST 2014.

A revised set of minutes for the meeting held on 7 August were circulated at the meeting.

RESOLVED to approve as a correct record:

- 1) The revised minutes of the meeting held on 7 August 2014; and
- 2) The minutes of the meeting held on 28 August 2014.

150 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

151 PRIDE OF GEDLING COMMUNITY AWARDS

Corporate Director, Stephen Bray, presented a report which had been circulated prior to the meeting, detailing plans for the establishment of a pride of Gedling Community Awards ceremony.

RESOLVED to:

- 1) Support the organisation of a "Pride of Gedling" Community Awards ceremony early in 2015, with a view to it becoming an annual event.
- Agree that the category of awards be determined by the Corporate Director in consultation with a cross-party group of Members.

152 COMMUNITY LEISURE RESTRUCTURE

Paula Darlington, Corporate Director, presented a report seeking financial approval to implement a new structure for the delivery of community leisure functions.

RESOLVED:

To approve a reduced savings target of £126,000 for Community leisure and a reduction in the central provision of £13,700 per annum.

153 WORK FOR THIRD PARTIES – DELEGATIONS TO CORPORATE DIRECTOR

The Chief Executive presented a report, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, seeking approval to establish a formal delegation to each Corporate Director to approve work carried out for third parties, including the fees and charges, up to a value of £20,000 per contract or type of work.

RESOLVED that:

- Corporate Directors be authorised to approve all work for third parties up to the value of £20,000.00 per contract or type of work; and
- Corporate Directors be authorised to agree the fees and charges for such work which must, as a minimum, be on a full cost recovery basis; and
- 3) A report to be presented back to Cabinet in due course to monitor progress.

154 CHANGE TO OUTSIDE BODY REPRESENTATION.

Consideration was given to a report of the Service Manager, Elections and Members' Services, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, seeking approval to appoint to a new outside body.

RESOLVED:

To appoint Councillor John Clarke as Gedling Borough Council's representative on the Rural Services Network.

155 FORWARD PLAN

Consideration was given to a report of the Service Manager, Elections and Members' 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.

156 PROGRESS REPORTS FROM PORTFOLIO HOLDERS.

Councillor Peter Barnes (Environment)

- A meeting would take place shortly to receive tenders for the housing redevelopment of the Grove pub site.
- Work on the new Gedling Country Park car park was continuing and arrangements for the opening were being planned.
- An increase in flytipping had been reported and officers were looking at increasing CCTV coverage as a way of tackling the problem.

Councillor Henry Wheeler (Health and Housing)

- A bid for funding towards homelessness and housing advice had been made to the Police and Crime Commissioner and the Department for Work and Pensions.
- Recruitment to the post of Specialist Housing Officer to work with landlords would begin shortly.
- Implications of the recent Health Care Act were being examined.
- Representatives of Nottingham North and East Clinical Commissioning Group would be attending a forthcoming meeting of the Youth Council to be quizzed on health matters.
- It was hoped that, in partnership with the CCG, a free Red Cross first aid course for carers could be delivered.

Councillor Darrell Pulk (Leisure and Development)

- The Aligned Core Strategy had been approved by Council and was due to be presented to Broxtowe's Council meeting for approval shortly. Officers and Members were thanked for their efforts with the work.
- Bonington Theatre has recently introduced an online ticketing facility.

 Thanks and best wishes were given to Jayne Cox, Service Manager for Leisure and Culture, who would be leaving the Council in October.

Councillor Michael Payne (Public Protection and Communication)

- An additional contacts magazine would be published in the new year to promote the new polling arrangements for the May elections.
- The Nottingham-Lincoln Train line had received money from local councils, including Gedling, with the intention of improving service over the next three years.

157 MEMBER'S QUESTIONS TO PORTFOLIO HOLDERS.

None.

The meeting finished at 2.00 pm

Signed by Chair: Date: