

**MINUTES
CABINET**

Thursday 13 November 2014

Councillor John Clarke (Chair)

Councillor Michael Payne
Councillor Peter Barnes

Councillor Darrell Pulk
Councillor Henry Wheeler

Observers: Councillor Chris Barnfather and Councillor Paul Hughes

Absent: Councillor Kathryn Fox

Officers in Attendance: P Baguley, A Ball, H Barrington, S Bray, K Cafferkey, A Callingham, L Parnell, V Rimmington and D Wakelin

166 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Kathryn Fox.

167 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 16 OCTOBER 2014

RESOLVED:

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

168 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None.

169 QUARTERLY BUDGET MONITORING, PERFORMANCE DIGEST & VIREMENT REPORT

The Service Manager, Financial Services, presented a report of the Chief Financial Officer, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, informing Cabinet of the position against Improvement Actions and Performance Indicators in the 2014/2015 Gedling Plan, updating Cabinet on the likely outturn of the Revenue and Capital Budgets for the

2014/2015 financial year and seeking approval for changes to targets and budgets as outlined.

RESOLVED

to:

- 1) Approve the changes to the Indicator Action target as detailed in paragraph 2.1.7 of the report, as an amendment to the agreed Gedling Plan;
- 2) Approve the General Fund Revenue Budget virements included within Appendix 1 to the report; and
- 3) Include details of budget and performance monitoring in a quarterly performance digest, to be published on the Council's website and Intranet in line with the recommendations of Performance Review Scrutiny Committee.

170 PRUDENTIAL CODE INDICATOR MONITORING 2014/15 AND QUARTERLY TREASURY ACTIVITY REPORT FOR QUARTER ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2014

The Service Manager, Financial Services, presented a report of the Chief Financial Officer, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, informing Members of the performance monitoring of the 2014/15 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 for Quarter 2 and the Prudential and Treasury Indicator Monitoring for Quarter 2.

171 COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY REVISED DRAFT CHARGING SCHEDULE - SUBMISSION

The Service Manager, Planning and Economic Development, presented a report of the Planning Policy Manager, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, seeking Cabinet's approval of the proposed responses to the main issues raised in the comments received on the Revised Draft Charging Schedule (June 2014) and associated documentation and approval of the submission documents for examination, comprising of the Revised Draft Charging Schedule (June 2014), the Proposed Statement of Modifications (dated for submission January 2015), and supporting documents.

RESOLVED that:

- 1) Under the provisions of Regulation 19 of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 the Statement of Modifications be published for a period of four weeks to allow for public representations;
- 2) In accordance with Regulations the Revised Draft Charging Schedule, Regulation 123 List, supporting documentation and representations received together with the changes the Council would propose to make in light of those representations be submitted for examination;
- 3) The Corporate Director be authorised to appoint the examiner and if necessary, appoint other persons to assist the examiner; and
- 4) The Corporate Director in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Development be authorised to agree minor amendments to the revised draft documents in response to the consultation process.

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ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, CRIME AND POLICING ACT 2014, REFORM OF ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR POWERS.

Dave Wakelin, Corporate Director, presented a report, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, informing Members of the new tools and powers that came into force on 20 October 2014 with the implementation of the new Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 (“the Act”). The Service Manager, Public Protection, outlined the new tools and powers at the disposal of the Council.

RESOLVED to:

- 1) Note the new tools and powers introduced by the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014;
- 2) Delegate all functions and responsibilities under the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 and any regulations made thereunder to the Corporate Director;
- 3) Authorise the Corporate Director in consultation with the council Solicitor and Monitoring Officer to authorise legal proceedings under the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014;
- 4) Approve a fixed penalty level of £100 payable within 14 days of service of a FPN for failing to comply with a Community Protection Notice; and
- 5) Agree a formal review of the tools and powers after a 6 month implementation period.

173 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.

174 PROGRESS REPORTS FROM PORTFOLIO HOLDERS.

Councillor Peter Barnes (Environment)

- Congratulations to the team of Officers working on the Gedling Country Park, which was a runner up in the Nottingham Evening Post awards recently.
- The 25,000 solar panels have now been installed on the Gedling Country Park site.
- The Arnold Flood Forum is due to meet on 27 November.
- Parks and Open Spaces have been shortlisted for an APSE award.
- A meeting has recently taken place with Gedling grounds staff to brainstorm ideas for the open spaces around the Borough.

Councillor Henry Wheeler (Health and Housing)

- A person who has recently spent time in the housing team as part of a DWP work placement has now found employment and moved on.
- Affordable housing projects at the site of the Grove pub and Dunstan Street are progressing.
- NCHA are developing the Rutland Road site, creating 6 housing units for people with learning disabilities.
- The Severe Weather Protocol is in place and ready for use should temperatures drop in the coming weeks.
- Meetings are currently being held to look into becoming a breastfeeding friendly Council.
- The Gedling Older Persons' Group will launch on the 17 January.
- A dementia awareness project is being delivered in primary schools across the Borough.
- A recent visit to the Cornwater Club, Ravenshead has prompted work to look into how the model employed there could be rolled out to other groups around the Borough.
- A health stakeholders' event will be held at the Richard Herrod Centre to look at the health and wellbeing of the homeless population of the area.

- The Youth Council recently met with the Leader, Deputy Leader and Chief Executive for a question and answer session. Invitations to attend and talk to the Youth Council have been extended to the Opposition Group leaders.

Councillor Michael Payne (Public Protection and Communications)

- £120 was recently raised for Children in Need by a Councillor "bake off". Congratulations to the winner of the bake sale, Councillor Sarah Hewson.
- Recently met with the new police inspectors for Gedling North and South, both were grateful for the support of the Council and its elected Members.
- Concerns remain about the forthcoming closure of Arnold and Carlton Police Stations. The Police will continue to station staff at the Home Brewery building in Arnold to continue police presence in the Borough, however it is not currently the plan to respond from the building. A letter was recently sent to the Police and Crime Commissioner, as requested by members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, detailing the Council's concerns.
- The push to create a community hub at Carlton Police Station will continue.

The Chair invited Policy Advisors, Councillor Sandra Barnes, Councillor Collis and Councillor Ellis to provide updates on their recent activities.

Councillor Sandra Barnes (Policy Advisor)

- Visits made to lots of older people's clubs across the Borough.
- Wrote a letter to the Nottingham Evening Post, which has been published, following a visit to the Cornwater Club in Ravenshead. Looking at what lessons can be learnt from the club and how the model can be rolled out across the Borough.
- The lack of available toilet facilities in the community has been raised a problem for older people. Looking into way that this might be improved through working together will local business to provide access to facilities.
- Carrying out community development projects in the area.

Councillor Roxanne Ellis (Policy Advisor)

- The Older Person's Plan has now been adopted and implementation is being monitored.
- 57 frontline officers have now been trained as dementia friends, with more training scheduled for the New Year.
- Work underway to ensure that Dementia Friend training is included in the new Member induction plan.
- Work is underway to make connections with local Women's groups.

- Recently attended a national event on female genital mutilation, which was held in the Borough, and was the only elected Member present. Confirmed with the organiser that they would be happy to deliver a further event in the East Midlands.
- Met with the Mellish Rugby Club regarding the white ribbon campaign. The Club are making great strides in connecting with harder to reach males and will be holding a charity rugby match to support the campaign.
- Currently working with Women's Aid on an anti-domestic violence campaign, looking at how best to target the campaign and how the message should be portrayed.
- Work is underway to create a Breast Feeding Friendly Gedling, working with the CCG and the Gedling Health and Wellbeing Delivery Group.

Councillor Bob Collis (Policy Advisor)

- Following a decision to remove the birds from the Aviary in Arnot Hill Park, most have now been rehomed. An alternative use for the building is now being investigated.
- A final draft of an animal welfare policy has now been approved.
- Discussions are currently ongoing, with partners at Nottinghamshire County Council and Veolia, as to how we might best promote the recycling of Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs.
- Solar panels have now been installed on the Solar Farm at Gedling Country Park and these can barely be seen.
- Hoping to arrange for the installation of solar panels at the Druids Car Park to provide power to Arnold Leisure Centre.
- A £2 million programme for the installation of cavity wall insulation by Gedling Homes could be rolled out in Arnold, funding permitting.
- Further progress is being made to become a "compassionate Council", including the provision of dementia friend training, partnership working with Nottingham Credit Union and potential work to promote fostering locally.

Councillor Clarke left the meeting and Councillor Payne took the Chair.

175 MEMBER'S QUESTIONS TO PORTFOLIO HOLDERS.

In response to a question from Councillor Barnfather, Councillor Payne agreed to provide further information and a breakdown of the costs associated with the provision of Christmas trees and decorations in areas of the Borough.

176 ANY OTHER ITEMS THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.

None.

177 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED:

That, the Members being satisfied that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the ensuing reports on the grounds that the report involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

178 SALE OF LAND AT TEAL CLOSE

The Estates Surveyor presented a report, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, seeking Cabinet's approval to enter an agreement to jointly market and sell land at Teal Close, part of which is owned by the Council, and to authorise the Corporate Director, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder, to agree the final Heads of Terms for the Landowner Agreement and the final sale price at no less than the minimum price.

RESOLVED that:

- 1) The Council enters into a Landowners Agreement with MLPL/NT to facilitate the sale of the Residential Land and sets out the way in which the net sale proceeds are shared between the parties and the historic and current costs of promotion and disposal are split;
- 2) The Council's Land is marketed as part of the Residential Land by a marketing agent appointed jointly by the Council and MLPL instead of following the tender process set out in the Council's Standing Orders for Dealings with Land;
- 3) The Corporate Director be authorised to agree the appointment of the said agent on behalf of the Council;
- 4) The Corporate Director, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for the Environment, be authorised to agree the final Heads of Terms for the Landowner Agreement; and
- 5) The Corporate Director, in consultation with the Portfolio

Holder for the Environment, be authorised to agree the final sale price at no less than the Minimum Price.