

**MINUTES  
CABINET**

**Thursday 25 June 2015**

Councillor Michael Payne (Chair)

Councillor Peter Barnes  
Councillor David Ellis  
Councillor Kathryn Fox

Councillor Jenny Hollingsworth  
Councillor Henry Wheeler

Observers: Councillor Alan Bexon

Absent: Councillor John Clarke and Councillor Chris Barnfather

Officers in Attendance: H Barrington, S Bray, M Kimberley, D Wakelin, P Baguley, A Gibson, S Palmer and A Dubberley

**1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Clarke and Councillor Barnfather (observer) with Councillor Bexon attending in his place.

**2 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 23 APRIL 2015.**

**RESOLVED:**

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

**3 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.**

None

**4 ADOPTION OF THE GEDLING BOROUGH COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY CHARGING SCHEDULE**

The Service Manager Planning introduced a report proposing that Cabinet approves the Gedling Borough Council Community Infrastructure Levy Charging schedule for adoption by Council.

**RESOLVED:**

- 1) To agree that the Gedling Community Infrastructure Levy

Charging Schedule, as attached as Appendix B to the report, is submitted to Full Council for approval and that it should come into effect on 16 October 2015;

- 2) To recommend to that Council delegates authority to the Corporate Director and the Chairman of Planning Committee to make any minor changes (e.g. typing errors, formatting and images) necessary prior to publication (such changes will not alter the content of Appendix B): and
- 3) That subject to Council approval of the Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule, agree that the Exceptional Circumstances Relief for CIL, as attached at Appendix C to the report, shall be offered and that the Corporate Director, in consultation with the relevant Portfolio Holder, be authorised to determine any applications for such relief

## **5 WARM HOMES ON PRESCRIPTION PILOT - REVISED PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSING GRANTS AND ASSISTANCE POLICY 2015**

The Food Health and Housing Manager presented a report, which had been previously circulated, giving details of warm homes on prescription scheme that the Council was in the process of piloting.

### **RESOLVED to approve:**

- 1) The changes described in the Private Sector Housing Grants and Assistance Policy 2015, attached as appendix A to the report, and adopt this as the new policy.
- 2) The virement of £50,000 from the Disabled Facilities Grant capital budget into the Housing Assistance capital budget.
- 3) A financial contribution of £29,100 from Fuel Poverty grant income to the contribution of £29,100 to Newark and Sherwood District Council to employ a Project Manager to co-ordinate the Nottinghamshire wide 'Warm Homes on Prescription scheme'.

## **6 COUNCIL PLAN AND BUDGET OUTFURN AND BUDGET CARRY FORWARDS 2014/15**

The Chief Financial Officer presented a report of the Senior Leadership Team, which had been circulated prior to the meeting presenting the Council Plan and Budget Outturn and Budget Carry Forwards for 2014/15.

### **RESOLVED to:**

- 1) Note the Council Plan Performance and Budget Outturn figures for 2014/15;

- 2) Note the revenue carry forwards approved by the Chief Financial Officer of £97,800 included in Appendix 2 to the report, amounts not in excess of £10,000 and committed schemes above £10,000;
- 3) Note the capital carry forwards approved by the Chief Financial Officer of £589,100 included in Appendix 2 to the report, being amounts not in excess of £50,000 and committed schemes above £50,000;
- 4) Refer to Council for approval:
  - a) The overall method of financing of the 2014/15 capital expenditure as set out in Appendix 7 to the report;
  - b) The capital determinations in Section 3.4 of the report.

## **7 ANNUAL TREASURY ACTIVITY REPORT 2014/15**

The Chief Financial Officer presented a report, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, informing members of the outturn in respect of the 2014/15 Prudential Code Indicators, and advising of the outturn on treasury activity, both as required by the Treasury Management Strategy.

### **RESOLVED:**

To note the Annual Treasury Activity Report 2014/15, together with the appendices, and refer it to Council for approval.

## **8 PROGRESS REPORTS FROM PORTFOLIO HOLDERS.**

### **Councillor Kathryn Fox (Community Development)**

- Both the Gedling Book Festival and the Arnold Carnival were recently held and well attended
- Play days at Papplewick and Calverton would be taking place in July.
- The induction programme following the Borough elections was now complete and well received by the members that were able to attend.
- The Early years film project would premier on 16 July at Carlton Pentecostal Church.

### **Councillor Jenny Hollingsworth (Growth and Regeneration)**

- Work to build affordable housing on the site of the former grove pub and on land at Dunstan Street was progressing well.
- Work in economic development to engage with large businesses as an attempt to promote growth was underway.
- Work on plans to revitalise Arnold and Carlton town centres was, following the election period, beginning to take place.
- An employability audit being used in local schools was proving to be successful.

#### **Councillor David Ellis (Public Protection)**

- Statistics on crime currently painted a mixed picture due to changes in how certain crimes are recorded.
- There had been recent media coverage of a taxi driver who had overcharged a customer resulting in a complaint. The driver's license had expired and it was stressed that behaviour such as this would not be tolerated.
- A closure order using new anti-social behaviour powers was recently carried out at an address in Carlton Hill due to persistent disturbance towards neighbours.

#### **Councillor Henry Wheeler (Housing, Health and Well-being)**

- Unfortunately Arnold Swimming Pool was currently closed due to health and safety concerns with lighting and it was hoped to re-open within a couple of days.
- The floor at Calverton Leisure Centre was currently being upgraded.
- Final touches to the free swimming sessions timetable were being made
- The implementation of the universal credit system was looming and a briefing for elected members would be scheduled in the coming months.

#### **Councillor Peter Barnes (Environment)**

- Sadly there had been an instance of tree vandalism in the country park which was reported to the police.

- Extra parking capacity and temporary toilets were being installed in time for the country park's peak summer period.
- A plan to install Christmas lights across the area had been recently agreed.

**Councillor Payne (Resources and Reputation)**

- The Local Government Boundary Commission had recently published its draft recommendations for the County Council and it was hoped that a council response could be made to the consultation in light of some of the proposed changes.
- The Council had recently acquired the freehold for the country park land which was a good financial deal.

**9 MEMBER'S QUESTIONS TO PORTFOLIO HOLDERS.**

In a response to a question from Councillor Bexon, Councillor Hollingsworth advised that it was hoped that improvements could be made to Arnold market as part of the work to revitalise Arnold town Centre.

**10 ANY OTHER ITEMS THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.**

None.

The meeting finished at 1.50 pm

Signed by Chair:  
Date: