

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CABINET HELD ON 10th APRIL 2013

PRESENT: Councillor D Cook (Chair), Councillors R Pritchard, S Claymore, S Doyle, M Greatorex and J Oates

The following officers were present: Anthony E Goodwin (Chief Executive), John Wheatley (Executive Director Corporate Services), Jane Hackett (Solicitor to the Council and Monitoring Officer), Rob Barnes (Director - Housing and Health), Andrew Barratt (Director - Assets and Environment), Stefan Garner (Director of Finance), Anica Goodwin (Director - Transformation/Corporate Performance) and Robert Mitchell (Director - Communities, Planning and Partnerships)

140 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

141 CORPORATE UPDATE

Cabinet agreed that the Director for Transformation and Corporate Performances' update on Agile Working be postponed to the next Cabinet meeting.

142 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 26 March 2013 were approved and signed as a correct record.

(Moved by Councillor J Oates and seconded by Councillor S Doyle)

143 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

144 MATTERS REFERRED TO THE CABINET IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULES

None.

145 ANNUAL REVIEW 2012/13 AND CORPORATE PLAN 2013/14

That:

The Report of the Leader of the Council informing Cabinet of the contents of the Annual Review and Corporate Plan was considered.

RESOLVED:

- 1 The Annual Review and Corporate Plan be approved, and;
- 2 The Leader in conjunction with the Chief Executive sign off the final proof prior to printing.

(Moved by Councillor D Cook and seconded by Councillor R Pritchard)

146 TEMPORARY RESERVES, RETAINED FUNDS AND PROVISIONS

The Report of the Portfolio Holder for Corporate Services and Assets seeking Member approval for the establishment or retention of Temporary Reserves, Retained Funds and provisions, to write back to balances those reserves that have been identified as no longer being required was considered.

RESOLVED: That:

- 1 In principle the creation/retention of Temporary Reserves as detailed in the report be approved, and consideration given as to whether a spending plan against each of the individual reserves will be required, and;
- 2 Should the actual outturn level adversely vary from the predicted outturn, adjustments will be made and Members may be asked to review the creation of these reserves, and;
- 3 The write-back of reserves identified at Appendix D as no longer being required in the sum of £92,381 to General Fund Balances, to support the Medium –Term Financial strategy.

(Moved by Councillor R Pritchard and seconded by Councillor S Claymore)

147 SCHEME OF DELEGATION DECISIONS

The Report of the Portfolio Holder for Corporate Services and Assets seeking to comply with the Local Government Act 2000 and the Localism Act 2011 and any subordinate legislation which provide good governance for Local Authorities was considered.

RESOLVED: That the list of decisions taken in terms of the Scheme of Delegation for the period 13 June 2012 to 3 April 2013 be endorsed. (Moved by Councillor R Pritchard and seconded by Councillor D Cook)

148 NORTH WARWICKSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL SITE ALLOCATIONS CONSULTATION

The Report of the Portfolio Holder for Economic Development and Enterprise seeking to inform Members on the Site Allocations Plan Preferred Options of the North Warwickshire Local Plan in accordance with Regulations 18, 19 and 20 of the Town and country Planning (Local Planning) Regulations 2012 and particular the Duty to Co-operate (Localism Act 2011), and seeking Cabinet approval of the comments to be made in response to the Site Allocations Plan Preferred Options of the North Warwickshire Local Plan was considered.

RESOLVED: That:

- 1 Comments to be made on the Site Allocations Plan Preferred Options (including Issues and Options) of the North Warwickshire Local Plan be approved, and;
- 2 North Warwickshire Borough Council be advised of Tamworth Borough Council's desire to work with them on the further development of their plan. (Moved by Councillor S Claymore and seconded by Councillor R Pritchard)

149 HIGHER LEVEL STEWARDSHIP ACTION PLAN

The Report of the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Waste Management informing Members of the successful application for Higher Level Stewardship and of the subsequent delivery action plan, and seeking to approve the receipt and expenditure of the grant over the 10 year grant period was considered.

RESOLVED: That the 10 year Higher Level Stewardship (HLS) action plan be endorsed, and the creation of necessary capital and revenue budgets applicable to this grant be approved. (Moved by Councillor S Doyle and seconded by Councillor S Claymore)

150 PROPOSED BROADMEADOW LOCAL NATURE RESERVE

The Report of the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Waste Management informing members of the recent transfer of the Broadmeadow site into Council ownership and seeking to approve the attainment of Local Nature Reserve Status and future environmental improvements was considered.

RESOLVED: That the details of the report be noted, and;

1 The commencement of the tender process to create access to the land be approved and authority delegated to the Portfolio Holder for Economic Development and Enterprise and the Director of Assets and Environment to enter into contract with the most viable tender and to obtain all necessary statutory approvals to facilitate this, and;

- 2 The Portfolio Holder and the Director of Assets and Environment be authorised to make the necessary arrangements for the designation process for Broadmeadow to attain Local Nature Reserve status, and;
- 3 The release of all of the Section 106 monies, currently £128,220 attributable to the site be authorised to enable the access works and environmental improvement to be undertaken.

(Moved by Councillor S Doyle and seconded by Councillor R Pritchard)

151 PROPOSED RE-RELOCATION OF THE AMINGTON AND STONYDELPH LOCALITY WORKING COMMUNITY HUBS

The Report of the Portfolio Holder for Community Development informing Cabinet of issues relating to Locality Working hub use to date and the business case supporting the need to move from the present hub locations and seeking approval to implement the proposed moves for the Amington and Stonydelph Locality Working hubs from their current locations and to reflect on and update the role of a community hub within the Locality Working (LW) model was considered.

RESOLVED:

- 1 The Report and progress to date be endorsed, and;
- 2 The proposed move of the Stonydelph hub from the Craven location to St. Martins Church (subject to final agreement from the Church) be approved, and;
- 3 The proposed move of the Amington Hub from the Kerria shop unit to the Kerria Youth Centre building (subject to final agreement from partner agencies) be approved. (Moved by Councillor J Oates and seconded by Councillor D Cook)

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

That:

RESOLVED: That members of the press and public be now excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item on the grounds that the business involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 and 3, Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

152 MEARS PERFORMANCE 2012/13

The Report of the Portfolio Holder for Housing was considered.

RESOLVED: That the recommendations as contained in the report be approved.

(Moved by Councillor M Greatorex and seconded by Councillor R Pritchard)

Leader