



## **MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CABINET HELD ON 26th SEPTEMBER 2019**

**PRESENT:** Councillor D Cook (Chair), Councillors R Pritchard (Vice-Chair), J Chesworth, M Cook, S Doyle and J Oates

The following officers were present: Andrew Barratt (Chief Executive), Anica Goodwin (Executive Director Organisation), Rob Barnes (Executive Director Communities), Stefan Garner (Executive Director Finance), Lynne Pugh (Assistant Director Finance), Tracey Pointon (Civic and Elections Officer), Stephanie Ivey (Partnership Vulnerability Officer) and Lorraine Farley (Economic Development and Regeneration Officer)

No apologies were received.

### **8 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2019 were approved and signed as a correct record.

*(Moved by Councillor R Pritchard and seconded by Councillor M Cook)*

### **9 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor R Pritchard and Councillor J Oates both declared an interest in agenda item 9.

### **10 QUESTION TIME:**

None

### **11 MATTERS REFERRED TO THE CABINET IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULES**

The Report of the Chair of Corporate Scrutiny provided Cabinet with the recommendations of the Committee regarding the Interim Update on Member Induction. The report was considered by Cabinet and

**RESOLVED** that Cabinet noted

1 that the recommendations on Member Induction

previously endorsed by Cabinet, had been implemented through the Member Induction Programme, through amendment to the Constitution in respect of the supply of paper to Members, and the creation of the Members Zone;

2 that the ICT support to members was implemented during May 2019 for newly elected members;

that the following be delivered by the Corporate Scrutiny Committee in liaison with Members and Democratic Services:

3 that feedback be sought from Members on the implementation of the Member Induction Programme and the ongoing training programme and the results of this feedback be provided to the Corporate Scrutiny Committee within 6 months;

4 that an update on the level of Member attendance at all training sessions be made available to the Corporate Scrutiny Committee

*(Moved by Councillor J Chesworth and seconded by Councillor R Pritchard)*

## 12 LOCAL COUNCIL TAX REDUCTION SCHEME 2020/21 CONSULTATION

The Portfolio Holder for Assets and Finance informed Cabinet of the need to review the Council's Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme (LCTRS) and explained the proposed features of a new Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme

### **RESOLVED**

Cabinet approved;

The need to review the Council's Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme

Detailed cost forecasting and scheme principles explained in the report were considered and endorsed.

That Corporate Scrutiny Committee are asked to review the proposals and options contained within this report with the aim to finalise a new scheme for Public consultation in 2020

*(Moved by Councillor R Pritchard and seconded by Councillor M Cook)*

## 13 ARTS AND EVENTS ORGANISATIONAL REVIEW (INCLUDING TAMWORTH ASSEMBLY ROOMS AND CONFERENCING FACILITIES)

The Portfolio Holder for Culture and Operational Services requested the release of contingency to fund the new Arts and Events staffing structure.

**RESOLVED** That Cabinet;

Approved the request to release £61,910 from the contingency budget to enable the implementation of the new Arts and Events structure.

*(Moved by Councillor J Chesworth and seconded by Councillor D Cook)*

The Chair passed on thanks to all Staff involved in the Tamworth Assembly Rooms Project.

#### **14 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

**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 Paragraphs 1 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

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

#### **15 GRANT REPORT QUARTER 2 2019-20**

The Report of the Portfolio Holder for Housing Services and Communities for Cabinet to agree the grant applications for the Council's Grants Scheme

**RESOLVED** That

- Cabinet considered the applications and approved officer recommendations for small grants, art grants, sport grants and business grants as listed below, and
- Cabinet delegated authority to the Executive Director of Communities in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Housing Services and Communities and the Portfolio Holder for Assets and Finance to manage the Festive Grant Applications and agree Festive Grant awards including any variations during the term of the grants

#### ***Applications for Revenue/Running Costs***

No Applications received this quarter

**Applications for Equipment/Projects**

The order of the grants was changed as Councillor Pritchard and Councillor Oates had declared an interest in two grants.

**Heart of Tamworth Community Project** £500

*(Moved by Councillor M Cook and seconded by Councillor J Chesworth)*

**1<sup>st</sup> Glascote (St George) Scout Group** £300

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

**Combined Applications: Running Costs/Projects and Equipment**

**Milk Fairies CIC** £500

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

**Art grant applications**

**Tamworth Literary Festival** £500

*(Moved by Councillor D Cook and seconded by Councillor J Chesworth)*

**Sports grant applications****Applications for talented individual**

That one grant for a talented Individual for £300 was made.

*(Moved by Councillor M Cook and seconded by Councillor D Cook)*

**Applications for club**

**Bolehall Swifts** £3000 agreed on condition that the applicant completes the output monitoring.

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

**Applications for coaching**

That one grant for coaching of £147.50 was made.

*(Moved by Councillor M Cook and seconded by Councillor J Chesworth)*

**Tamworth Cycling Club** £950 agreed on condition that grant will be used for costs of First Aid training

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

### **Business Grants**

**McAusland Music** £1000

*(Moved by Councillor D cook and seconded by Councillor J Chesworth)*

**Puppy Love Dog Grooming** £950

*(Moved by Councillor J Oates and seconded by Councillor R Pritchard)*

**Goldcrest Soft Furnishings** £1500

*(Moved by Councillor D Cook and seconded by Councillor J Chesworth)*

**Sharon Rose Author and Playwright** Members agreed to defer the application as more detailed costings are required

*(Moved by Councillor D Cook and seconded by Councillor M Cook)*

**Showroom Standard Cleaning** £590

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

**KB Services** £500 – applicant will need to provide insurance documents before grant is endorsed.

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

**Le Secret** £500

*(Moved by Councillor R Pritchard and seconded by Councillor J Chesworth)*

**Renew Chiropractic** Grant to be deferred advice to be

given to applicant on renting a  
business property in Tamworth.

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

***Councillor Pritchard and Councillor Oates left the meeting***

***Tamworth Pickers Volunteer Litter***                      £506.50

*(Moved by Councillor M Cook and seconded by Councillor J Chesworth)*

***Tamworth Volunteer Litter Pickers***            £500  
*Committee requested an update report every 2 months*

*(Moved by Councillor D Cook and seconded by Councillor J Chesworth)*

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Leader