



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CABINET HELD ON 23rd APRIL 2015

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

The following officers were present: Anthony E Goodwin (Chief Executive), Andrew Barratt (Director - Assets and Environment), Robert Mitchell (Director - Communities, Planning and Partnerships) and Matthew Bowers (Head of Planning and Regeneration)

130 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

131 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd April 2015 were approved and signed as a correct record.

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

132 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

133 QUESTION TIME

None

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

None

135 THE DESIGNATION OF TOWN WALL A LOCAL NATURE RESERVE

The Report of the Portfolio Holder for Communities and Public Health to request that Members approve the designation of Town Wall as a Local Nature Reserve was considered.

RESOLVED: That Cabinet endorsed the designation of Town Wall as a Local Nature Reserve, subject to receipt of a letter of endorsement from Natural England.

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

136 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 Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

This motion was not made therefore item 137 was heard in public.

(Moved by Councillor D Cook and seconded by Councillor S Claymore)

137 BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

The Report of the Portfolio Holder for Economy and Education seeking Members approval to progress a Business Improvement District for Tamworth Town Centre and Ventura Park was considered.

RESOLVED: That

1. Cabinet endorsed the allocation of £22,000 for undertaking a feasibility study into a Town Centre Business Improvement District initially from the town centre reserve budget PM1603X0156 and the Council commits officer time to support the development of the BID and associated conditions;
2. agreed that the Portfolio Holder for Economy and Education and the Director of Communities, Planning and Partnerships will represent the Council on the Shadow Board and;
3. agreed that a further report be considered upon completion of the feasibility study where the Council will consider its ability to contribute to the next phase and the willingness of businesses to contribute or agree to cover the Councils costs should a BID ballot be successful.

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

Leader
