



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CABINET HELD ON 16th JUNE 2016

PRESENT: Councillors D Cook (Chair), R Pritchard (Vice-Chair), S Doyle and J Goodall

The following officers were present: Rob Barnes (Corporate Director Communities, Partnerships and Housing), Andrew Barratt (Corporate Director Growth, Assets and Environment), Stefan Garner (Director of Finance), Michael Buckland (Head of Revenues), Paul Weston (Head of Asset Management - Property Services), John Day (Corporate Performance Officer) and Natalie Missenden (Public Relations Officer)

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S Claymore and M Thurgood

2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 28 April 2016 were approved and signed as a correct record.

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

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

4 QUESTION TIME:

None

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

None

6 QUARTER FOUR 2015/16 PERFORMANCE REPORT

The Leader of the Council provided Members with a performance and financial health-check.

RESOLVED: That Members endorsed the contents of this report.

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

7 WRITE OFFS FROM 01/04/15 - 31/03/16

The Portfolio Holder for Assets and Finance provided Members with details of write offs from 1st April 2015 to 31st March 2016.

RESOLVED: That Members

- 1** endorsed the amount of debt written off for the previous financial year; and
- 2** noted the spectacular achievement on Outturn Collection targets for revenues in 2015/16

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

8 CAPITAL OUTTURN REPORT 2015/16

The Portfolio Holder for Assets and Finance advised Members on the final outturn of the Authority's Capital Programme for 2015/16 (subject to audit confirmation) and requested formal approval to re-profile specific programme budgets into 2016/17.

RESOLVED: That Members

- 1** received the final outturn position of the 2015/16 capital programme as summarised; and
- 2** approved for each of the projects detailed in Appendix B the re-profiling of the budget into the Authority's Capital Programme 2016/17 (total £9.530m);

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

9 CONSERVATION GRANT - 102 - 105 LICHFIELD STREET, TAMWORTH

The Portfolio Holder for Regeneration requested members to consider an application for a conservation grant for roof repairs to 102-105 Lichfield Street.

RESOLVED: That Members recommended that the grant offer be made subject to the normal grant conditions - a grant of

£7,500 be made in respect of 102-105 Lichfield Street from the 2015-2016 conservation grant budget.

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

10 GBSLEP – PLANNING GUIDANCE NOTES

The Portfolio Holder for Regeneration requested members to consider a set of guidance notes prepared by the Greater Birmingham and Solihull Local Enterprise Partnership (GBSLEP) and that they wish each Local Planning Authority in the GBSLEP area to adopt.

RESOLVED: That Members endorsed the report, the suggestions of officers, together with the views of the Planning Committee formally submitted to the GBSLEP working party.

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

11 WORKING TOWARDS TAMWORTH BECOMING A DEMENTIA FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

The Report of the Chief Executive seeking members endorsement of the processes and plans necessary to achieve the Council's stated ambition "To Work Towards Becoming a Dementia Friendly Community".

RESOLVED: That Members

- 1** endorsed the attached processes and plans designed to meet the requirements set out by the Dementia Action Alliance (DAA);
- 2** endorsed the proposal to join the Staffordshire DAA and to establish a Local DAA;
- 3** considered the requirement to nominate Councillor A James as member lead for the project team; and
- 4** receive a progress report in December 2016.

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

12 TAMWORTH COMMERCIAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY TO PROMOTE GROWTH AND REGENERATION

The Report of the Leader of the Council and Chief Executive seeking members endorsement of proposals designed to align key strategic ambitions with corporate priorities in order to accelerate managed growth and regeneration supported by a commercial investment strategy with a view to developing opportunities for sustained income. Also seeking members endorsement of a Member led Governance Structure to oversee the parallel work programmes for commercial investment and regeneration projects based upon agreed criteria focused upon value for money; return on investment; viability and sustainability and the endorsement of the preparatory work, assessment and research undertaken to date together with the costs associated with accessing specialist external advice.

RESOLVED:

That Members

- 1 endorsed the proposed programme of work designed to reflect the necessary commercial approach to accelerating managed growth and regeneration supported by an agreed commercial investment strategy;
- 2 endorsed the proposed member led Governance structure designed to provide executive direction, overview and leadership and to ensure the alignment between the primary outcomes:
Best use of assets and resources
Managed growth and regeneration
Sustainable income;
- 3 endorsed the work undertaken to date including the framework Commercial Investment Strategy; Initial Options Paper; draft 'pipeline' of approved regeneration projects; draft options for consideration;
- 4 retrospectively approved the waiving of Financial Regulations that were necessary to expedite access to specialist support, advice and knowledge in order to undertake the preparatory work;
- 5 endorse the use of specialist advisors in accordance with current policy, practice and guidance under the direction of the Project Board and that the Project Board be granted delegated powers to determine the priority status of projects; options and opportunities for regeneration and set the criteria for future investment; regeneration and growth;
- 6 receive quarterly progress reports covering all aspects of this programme including i) Project Updates, ii) Proposals for Investment; Options Appraisals etc; and
- 7 approved the release of £50k from the specific contingency budget for 2016/17 to support the

Commercial Investment Strategy & Regeneration Programme.

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

13 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).

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

14 COMBINED REPAIRS & INVESTMENT CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR COUNCIL HOUSING STOCK

The Report of the Portfolio Holder for Housing updating members on the outcome of the option appraisal undertaken in respect of the future options for delivery of Council housing repairs and maintenance services.

RESOLVED: That Members endorsed the recommendations as contained in the report.

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

Leader