



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CABINET HELD ON 16th MARCH 2017

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

The following officers were present: Anthony E Goodwin (Chief Executive), Rob Barnes (Corporate Director Communities, Partnerships and Housing), Anica Goodwin (Director - Transformation and Corporate Performance), Matthew Bowers (Head of Managed Growth, Regeneration and Development), Steve Pointon (Head of Strategic Housing Services), John Gunn (Development Manager) and John Day (Corporate Performance Officer)

96 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no Apologies

97 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 February 2017 were approved and signed as a correct record.

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

98 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

99 QUESTION TIME:

None

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

None

101 ANNUAL REPORT AND CORPORATE PLAN

The Leader of the Council and Chief Executive provided Members with the details and information relating to the Council's Corporate Plan for the period 2017-2020 and thereby enables an informed decision on 'adoption'.

RESOLVED: That Members endorsed the ambitions, plans and proposals that comprise the document and in doing so adopt the Council's Corporate Plan for the period 2017-2020.

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

102 PLANNING APPLICATIONS - STREAMLINING INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS AND VALIDATION

The Portfolio Holder for Regeneration seeking Members approval to the revised information requirements for planning applications.

RESOLVED: That Members

- 1 approved the revised information requirements for planning applications as set out in the appendix to this report for consultation;
- 2 authorised consultation on the revised information requirements for a period of 6 weeks in accordance with statutory requirements; and
- 3 authorised the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, the Corporate Director Growth, Assets and Environment and the Solicitor to the Council and Monitoring Officer to make any minor amendments arising from the consultation exercise and to adopt the revised information requirements.

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

103 NORTH WARWICKSHIRE NEW DRAFT LOCAL PLAN 2016 CONSULTATION

The Portfolio Holder for Regeneration advised Members of the latest consultation from North Warwickshire Borough Council on its new draft Local Plan 2016 and supporting documents and to agree a response.

- RESOLVED:** That Members
- 1 noted the policies and proposals contained within the North Warwickshire New Draft Local Plan 2016 and evidence base; and
 - 2 approved the comments contained in Appendix A to be made to North Warwickshire Borough Council on the North Warwickshire New Draft Local Plan 2016.

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

104 HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION STRATEGY UPDATE

The Portfolio Holder for Housing Services informed Members on the progress regarding the implementation of the Homelessness Prevention Strategy 2016-20 provided an update on the wider policy context that directly impacts on the Council's capacity to assist local people in housing need. Additionally the report seeks Members approval of a number of key policies that will further support the delivery of the Strategy Action Plan and strengthen the Council's approach to the prevention of homelessness whilst also seeking the approval for an increase in the budget for temporary accommodation for the 2016/2017 financial year. Also seeking approval from the Members to formerly end the tender process for the proposed Practical Support scheme and agree alternative uses for the £25K allocated resources for this project be explored.

- RESOLVED:** That Members
- 1 approved the Discharge of Duty into the Private Rented Sector Policy;
 - 2 approved the Temporary Accommodation Policy;
 - 3 agreed to the conclusion of the Council's Sanctuary Scheme and approved changes to the manner in which the Housing Solutions Fund is administered to prevent homelessness;
 - 4 approved an increase of £100K in the Bed and Breakfast income and expenditure budgets for the 2016/2017 financial year as set out in the financial implications section of the report; and
 - 5 confirmed the termination of the current procurement exercise for the provision of a Practical Support

Service.

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

105 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)

106 UPDATE ON THE PROVISION OF THE SHOP MOBILITY SERVICE

The Portfolio Holder for Assets and Finance advised Members of the current situation regarding the external provision of the Shop Mobility Service and to seek Members approval to waive the Procurement requirements of Financial Guidance to allow the Mercian Ability Partnership (MAP) to continue to run the service without the need for a competitive tender process.

RESOLVED: That Members endorsed and approved the recommendations as contained within the report

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

Leader