



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CABINET HELD ON 19th DECEMBER 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), Karen Clancy (Partnerships Manager), Matthew Fletcher (Head of Economic Development and Regeneration), Karen Moss (Community Sports Officer), Joanne Sands (Assistant Director Partnerships) and Paul Weston (Assistant Director Assets) Nigel Harris (General Manager – Joint Waste Service) Simon Piaia (Arts & Events Officer)

42 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence

43 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 28th November 2019 were approved and signed as a correct record.

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

44 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

45 QUESTION TIME:

There were no questions from members of the public.

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

47 PROVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES TO TAMWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

The Report of the Portfolio Holder for Assets and Finance sought Cabinet approval for the establishment of a Shared Services Agreement for the provision

of legal services with Lichfield District Council and South Staffordshire District Council.

RESOLVED that Cabinet:

1. Approved the establishment of a shared legal service with South Staffordshire District Council and Lichfield District Council, with South Staffordshire District Council being the 'Host Authority';
2. Delegated authority to the Cabinet Member and the Executive Director Organisation to approve the Strategic Partnership Agreement;
3. Requested staffing implications associated with this report be considered by Appointments & Staffing Committee and
4. Delegated authority to the relevant budget holder to vire the identified budgetary amounts as detailed in Appendix 4.
(Moved by Councillor R Pritchard and seconded by Councillor S Doyle)

48 ASB CRIME AND POLICING ACT 2014 PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDERS

The Report of the Portfolio Holder for Regulatory and Community Safety considered proposals for additional Public Space Protection Orders (PSPOs) in Tamworth.

RESOLVED that Cabinet:

1. Approved the progression to public consultation and submission to the Infrastructure Safety and Growth Scrutiny Committee, thereafter for a PSPO at Access Road to Dosthill Hall, Dosthill Park to be renewed and updated;
2. Rejected, pending further monitoring and evidence, that the proposals for suggested PSPO (Gating Order) at Carisbrooke, Glascote.

(Moved by Councillor S Doyle and seconded R Pritchard)

49 JOINT WASTE SERVICE REVIEW

The Committee received and considered the Report of the Portfolio Holder for Culture and Operational services on the outcome of the Joint Waste Service Review.

RESOLVED that Cabinet:

1. Approved the approach taken during the fundamental review of the Joint Waste Service and its key findings.
2. Approved the proposal to continue providing the Joint Waste Service using the current in house arrangements and delay any decision on the future provision of the service until the implications of the Government's Resources and Waste Strategy were fully known.
3. Approved the proposals to undertake an appraisal of options for the future disposal of dry recycle and identify measures to address the issue of over reliance on agency staff.

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

50 LANDLORD REGULATION - COUNCILS STOCK RETAINED SERVICES

The Report of the Portfolio Holder for Housing Services and Communities on Landlord Regulation:-

- highlighted to Cabinet the Regulatory Social Housing (RSH) requirements in relation to the Council Stock retained service; as detailed in the regulator's annual consumer report shown here <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/consumer-regulation-review-2018-to-2019>.
- Proposed Tenants' annual performance report (2018/19) evidencing compliance and opportunities for continual improvement for the Council's stock retained service.
- Updated Cabinet with regard to changing requirements of the RSH around participating with the Local Authority rent data collection pilot on a voluntary basis in 2019/20.

RESOLVED that Cabinet:

1. Approved the draft `Neighbourhood Services Annual 2018/19` report (**Appendix A**) for circulation to all the Council's tenants via the Council's website as required by the Regulator Social Housing. Evidencing involvement and effective scrutiny by tenants of their landlord's performance;
2. Delegated authority to the Assistant Director Neighbourhoods in conjunction with the Portfolio Holder for Housing & Communities to make any necessary amendments to the draft Neighbourhood Services Annual Report 2018/19 prior to digital circulation;

3. Approved and supported a targeted independent review of landlord services against the Regulator Social Housing (RSH) Consumer Standards to assist with continual improvement, compliance and enable officers to maximise improvement opportunities across the range of corporate teams delivering the Councils stock retained services;
4. Supported the Regulator for Social Housing (RSH) requirement for registered providers of social housing including local authorities in England to meet the relevant regulatory standards set by the RSH and the summary findings of the RSH's Consumer Regulation Review for the year 2018/19 **(Appendix E)**;
5. Acknowledged the Regulator Social Housing's (RSH) correspondence sent to all Chief Executives of housing stock-owning local authority's on 17th May 2019 setting out member's obligations for ensuring compliance with the RSH's consumer standards and to ensure performance is scrutinised;
6. Approved participation in the Regulator Social Housing's (RSH) rent data collection pilot on a voluntary basis in 2019/20 with a further report back to Cabinet in Spring 2020 when the full impact of the new rent directions has been assessed.

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

51 UPDATE ON HOUSING REPAIRS & INVESTMENT CONTRACT

The Report of the Portfolio Holder for Housing Services and Communities provided:

- an update on progress to date in respect of the future delivery of the Housing Repairs and Investment Contracts;
- an update on the development of the in-house call centre associated with the delivery of Housing Repairs and Investment Works;
- information on the implementation phase of the Housing Repairs and Investment Contracts.

RESOLVED that Cabinet:

1. endorsed the contents of this update in relation to the delivery of the Housing Repairs & Investment Contracts
2. endorsed the contents of this update in relation to the establishment of an in-house call centre associated with the delivery of the Housing Repairs and Investment works
3. approved interim arrangements for the provision of the out of hours call centre for a period of twelve months.

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

52 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)

53 GRANTS REPORT QUARTER 3 2019-20

The Report of the Portfolio Holder for Housing Services and Communities was considered to agree the grant applications to the Council's small grants, arts grants, sports grants and business grants scheme.

RESOLVED That Grants be made as follows:

Voluntary and Small Grants Scheme:

Changes Tamworth	£500	Towards running costs to pay for the heating
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(Moved by Councillor M Cook and seconded by Councillor D Cook)

Coton Green Evangelical Church	£500	Towards providing art and craft resources and props for assemblies and 8 activity mornings/ afternoons for the Children to take part
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(Moved by Councillor J Chesworth and seconded by Councillor S Doyle)

Tamworth Pantomime Company £0 Application rejected
(Moved by Councillor J Chesworth and seconded by Councillor D Cook)

Arts Grants Scheme

Tamworth Pantomime Company £0 Application rejected
(Moved by Councillor J Chesworth and seconded by Councillor S Doyle)

New Urban Era £2000 To supplement the overall spend of project costs i.e Artist fees, production costs, materials etc.

(Moved by Councillor M Cook and seconded by Councillor S Doyle)

District Scouts £500 To supplement the overall spend of project costs i.e Artist fees, production costs, materials etc

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

Tamworth Hastilow Festival £500 Advertisement and Publicity
 Adjudicator Fees & Production Costs

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

Sports Grants

Coach Education Grant – Girls Cricket coaching Amount agreed £300 To qualify a current volunteer to coach and develop a girls junior cricket team within Tamworth Cricket Club.

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

Talented Individual football £0 Application rejected

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

Talented individual archery £500 Towards costs of equipment and travel and accommodation.

(Moved by Councillor J Chesworth and seconded by Councillor J Oates)

Club Development Spital Tennis £0 Grant application rejected. Feedback to be given to the applicant.

Club

(Moved by Councillor D Cook and seconded by Councillor J Oates)

Club £1700 **Condition:** that free weeks are offered in
Development – February half term, in the summer
UTX Academy holidays and October half term

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

Business Grants

Beauty by Abbie £900 Machine microblading training
Louise

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

Sprig £850 Membership fees
Recruitment

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

Woofoo £1500 New 3D Printer
Workshop

(Moved by Councillor M Cook and seconded by Councillor S Doyle)

D.E. Premier Application Professional indemnity insurance,
Recruitment deferred Microsoft 365 Business and website
 Committee
 require
 further
 information

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

Cakes to Crumbs £650 Public liability Insurance Equipment and
 marketing

Grant agreed on condition of evidence of
 Public Liability Insurance

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

FLT: Faster than £550 Pop up display items / marketing
Light

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

Best Trades FX £550 Website and marketing

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

Leader

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