

# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CABINET HELD ON 10th SEPTEMBER 2020

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), Lynne Pugh (Assistant Director Finance), Gareth Youlden, Jo Hutchison (Democratic Services, Scrutiny and Elections Officer) and Jodie Small (Legal, Democratic and Corporate Support Assistant)

No Apologies received

Guest Councillor: Dr S Peaple

#### 29 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> August 2020 were approved and signed as a correct record.

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

#### 30 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

# 31 QUESTION TIME:

None

# 32 MATTERS REFERRED TO THE EXECUTIVE (OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE OR BY THE COUNCIL)

Councillor Dr S Peaple member of Corporate Scrutiny Committee updated Cabinet and made a recommendation following consideration of matters by the Scrutiny Committee in relation to the Initial Impact of the Pandemic on the Council's Business Aims

**RESOLVED** That Cabinet:

Agreed to look at the longer term financial finances of the Heritage assets for Tamworth.

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

#### 33 QUARTER ONE 2020/21 PERFORMANCE REPORT

The Leader of the Council provided Cabinet with a performance update and financial health check

## **RESOLVED** That Cabinet

- Approved that the General Fund budgets be revised to reflect the forecast overspend at Quarter 1 of £134k, net of the savings identified of £1.2m, to be financed from a contribution from the transformation reserve
- Endorsed the contents of this report

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

#### 34 LOCAL COUNCIL TAX REDUCTION SCHEME 2021/22

The Report of the Portfolio Holder for Assets and Finance considers proposals for the Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme for working age customers for 2021/22

## **RESOLVED** Cabinet agreed that;

The planned review for the introduction of a banding scheme for Council Tax Reduction be deferred until 2021 and that the current scheme for working age customers continues to be aligned to Applicable Amounts with those of Housing Benefit for 2021/22.

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

#### 35 RELEASE OF MOBILE PHONE CAPITAL CONTINGENCY FUNDING

The Report of the Portfolio Holder for Assets and Finance requested members approve the release of £20,000 from capital contingency as per capital bid already requested for financial year 18/19 to cover costs associated with a new mobile phone contract

**RESOLVED** That Cabinet:

Approved the release of £20,000 capital contingency from the capital bid to cover costs associated with a new organisation wide mobile phone contract already approved as part of 18/19 budget process.

Specifically, the funds will cover a refresh of obsolete handsets and any associated costs of setting up the new contract.

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

Leader

