



## **MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CABINET HELD ON 22nd OCTOBER 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), Rob Barnes (Executive Director Communities), Anna Miller (Assistant Director – Growth & Regeneration), Tina Mustafa (Assistant Director Neighbourhoods), Eleanor Overton (Head of Planning), Tracey Pointon (Legal Admin & Democratic Services Manager), Jodie Small (Legal, Democratic and Corporate Support Assistant) and Adam Deakin (Technical Infrastructure Engineer)

Guest Councillors Dr. Councillor S People  
Councillor T Jay  
Councillor R Ford

### **36 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence

### **37 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2020 were approved and signed as a correct record.

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

### **38 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

### **39 QUESTION TIME:**

None

**40 MATTERS REFERRED TO THE EXECUTIVE (OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE OR BY THE COUNCIL)**

Councillor T Jay Chair of Corporate Scrutiny Committee updated Cabinet and made a recommendation following consideration of matters by the Scrutiny Committee on the Update on Potential Legal Actions from the Executive Director, Organisation.

**RESOLVED:** That Cabinet

note that the Corporate Scrutiny Committee had considered this item and that it recommended to Cabinet that the Leader of the Council be involved in any decisions in respect of any legal proceedings, in addition to the relevant Portfolio Holders.

*(Moved by Councillor D Cook and seconded by Councillor R Prtichard)*

Councillor R Ford Chair of Health and Wellbeing Committee updated Cabinet and made a recommendation following consideration of matters by the Health & Wellbeing Committee related to the Housing Strategy Report

**RESOLVED:** That Cabinet

Agreed that the proposed actions contained within the draft Housing Strategy be endorsed and could go on to become the final strategy with the amendment that Stoneydelph and Glascote are included as areas where funding/support should be focussed as they contain areas which have historically had high deprivation;

*(Moved by Councillor M Cook and seconded by Councillor J Oates)*

**41 THE COUNCILS RECOVERY & RESET PLAN ARISING FROM COVID-19**

Report of the Leader of the Council to consider the Councils Recovery & Reset Plan Arising from Covid-19 to reflect on the Council's emergency response to the pandemic, noting the continuation of key front-line services, to outline the Council's proposed approach to recovery and reset in response to the pandemic, to share the Programme structure, including governance and scrutiny arrangements as well as describing the approach, methodology and resourcing and detail the programme structure and headline key projects with initial scoping of key work-streams

**RESOLVED** That Cabinet

1. Approved the proposed Recovery and Reset framework detailed in the report and presented in annex one and four.
2. Acknowledged the Council's continuation of critical services, arising from the pandemic, noting the detail captured in section 7.1 & 7.2 and further illustrated at annex three;
3. Established with the Leader, members of Cabinet and Scrutiny Chairs, a Recovery and Reset meeting to monitor, scrutinise and support the delivery of the programme with formal recommendations back to Cabinet on progress. Draft terms of reference are set out at annex two and
4. Noted that the Recovery and Reset Programme has been shared with the Council's Trade Union Liaison Group (TULG) and this will now be a standing agenda item to ensure transparency with the service review process and projects identified.

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

#### **42 TAMWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL RESPONSE TO WHITE PAPER: PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE**

Report of the Portfolio Holder for Regulatory & Community Safety to seek Cabinet approval to submit the draft consultation response to the Government consultation on Planning white paper: planning for the future as the response of Tamworth Borough Council and acknowledge that the White Paper creates uncertainty in setting out the timescale for the delivery of a new local plan. To further seek a Cabinet resolution to submit evidence to the Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee inquiry with responsibility for the final wording to be delegated to the Assistant Director – Growth and Regeneration.

**RESOLVED:** That Cabinet

1. Approved the submission of the consultation response set out in Appendix A as the response of Tamworth Borough Council;
2. Acknowledged that the proposals within the White Paper will delay the delivery of a new local plan and also the preparation of a Local Development Scheme which sets out the timetable.
3. Resolved to submit evidence to the Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee inquiry and delegate responsibility for the wording of that response to the Assistant Director – Growth and Regeneration

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

Councillor S Doyle would like to thank the Planning Team for the time and effort put into this consultation

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Leader

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