

MINUTES OF CABINET

29 MARCH 2021

PRESENT:

Councillors Lowe (Chairman), Mrs Crane, Poole, Roberts, Ms Robbins and Mrs Simpson-Vince.

Councillors Mrs A'Barrow, Bearne, Gillias, Miss Lawrence, Mrs O'Rourke, Roodhouse and Sandison were also in attendance.

100. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 1 March 2021 were approved.

101. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for absence.

102. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

103. QUESTION TIME

There were no questions.

Growth and Investment Portfolio

104. LOCAL LETTINGS PLAN – MIDLAND HEART (HOULTON)

Cabinet considered the report of the Head of Communities and Homes (Part 1-agenda item 5) concerning a proposed Local Lettings Plan (LLP) for the social rented element of a new Midland Heart development of affordable homes in Houlton.

RESOLVED THAT -

(1) the proposed criteria for the LLP, as detailed in section 6.0 of the report be agreed for formal consideration by Midland Heart subject to the following amendments:

(i) criterion 2 be deleted;

(ii) criterion 4 be amended to read, "30% of lettings be made available to existing social housing tenants accordingly, with a key consideration that the new home will meet the needs (including medical and welfare) of the applicant; and

(2) the Head of Communities and Homes be given delegated authority to agree future local lettings plans for new affordable housing schemes, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Communities and Homes, whilst demonstrating ongoing compliance with the Housing Allocations policy.

Environment and Public Realm Portfolio

105. LITTER IN RUGBY

Cabinet considered the report of the Deputy Executive Director (Part 1 – agenda item 6) concerning proposals for a Council-led coordinated litter campaign focussing on proactive communications, working with partners, regulation and volunteer participation.

RESOLVED THAT -

(1) progression of the proposed litter campaign be approved;

(2) the carry forward of £15,000 from the 2020/21 Council Budget Resolution be used for a feasibility study into the use of new technologies in litter enforcement be approved; and

(3) a supplementary budget of £15,000 be approved to fund targeted cleansing of the A46 in advance of the City of Culture celebrations.

Note: this decision is not subject to call in.

106. MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC UNDER SECTION 100(A)(4) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

RESOLVED THAT - under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of information defined in paragraphs 2 and 3 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

Growth and Investment Portfolio

107. FUNDING BID OFFICER

Cabinet considered the private report of the Head of Growth and Investment (Part 2 – agenda item 1) concerning the establishment of a new post of Funding Bid Officer.

RESOLVED THAT -

(1) the establishment of a new post of Funding Bid Officer, as detailed in the report, be approved; and

(2) a budget of £35,720 be established to fund the post which will be funded by:

- a virement of £25,010 from the 2021/22 Town Centre Improvement Fund and
- a supplementary budget of £10,710 from the Climate Change emergency reserve.

Corporate Resources Portfolio

108. HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

Cabinet considered the private report of the Executive Director (Part 2 – agenda item 2) concerning human resources management.

RESOLVED THAT - IT BE RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL THAT – the recommendation, as detailed in the report, be approved.

Note: this decision is not subject to call in.

109. PROJECT MANAGEMENT POSTS

Cabinet considered the private report of the Executive Director (Part 2 – agenda item 3) concerning project management posts within the Council.

RESOLVED THAT - IT BE RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL THAT – the recommendation, as detailed in the report, be approved.

Note: this decision is not subject to call in.

110. PROPERTY REPAIRS TEAM – RESOURCING AND COMMERCIALISATION

Cabinet considered the private report of the Executive Director (Part 2 – agenda item 4) concerning resourcing and the commercialisation of the Property Repairs team within the Council.

RESOLVED THAT – the recommendation, as detailed in the report, be approved.

Note: this decision is not subject to call in.

CHAIRMAN