MINUTES OF CABINET

5 DECEMBER 2022

PRESENT:

Councillors Lowe (Chairman), Mrs Crane, Miss Lawrence, Picker, Poole and Ms Robbins.

Councillors Mrs A'Barrow, Gillias, Mistry, Mrs O'Rourke, Roodhouse and Ward were also in attendance.

27. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 17 October 2022 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

28. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence from the meeting was received from Councillor Roberts.

29. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interests.

30. QUESTION TIME

There were no questions.

Growth and Investment Portfolio

31. TOWN CENTRE REGENERATION STRATEGY 2022

Cabinet considered the report of the Chief Officer – Growth and Investment (Part 1 – agenda item 5) concerning a proposed Town Centre Regeneration Strategy.

RESOLVED THAT - IT BE RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL THAT the Rugby Town Centre Regeneration Strategy, as at Appendix 1 to the report, be adopted.

Note: this decision is not subject to call-in.

32. LOCAL PLAN REVIEW

Cabinet considered the report of the Chief Officer – Growth and Investment (Part 1 – agenda item 6) concerning a review of the Local Plan.

RESOLVED THAT - IT BE RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL THAT -

(1) a full review of the Local Plan be undertaken;

- (2) the amended Local Development Scheme (LDS), attached as Appendix 1, be approved;
- (3) delegated authority be given to the Chief Officer for Growth and Investment to make minor grammatical and presentational amendments as necessary to the Local Development Scheme before publication; and
- (4) further reports be presented after further analysis is undertaken outlining the funding required and the timeline to deliver the review.

Note: this decision is not subject to call-in.

33. PLANNING ENFORCEMENT LOCAL PLAN 2022

Cabinet considered the report of the Chief Officer – Growth and Investment (Part 1 – agenda item 7) concerning a proposed Planning Enforcement Local Plan to set out the Council's approach to planning enforcement.

RESOLVED THAT - the Planning Enforcement Local Plan, as at Appendix 1 to the report, be approved.

Note: this decision is not subject to call-in.

34. DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICE REVIEW

Cabinet considered the report of the Chief Officer – Growth and Investment (Part 1 – agenda item 8) concerning funding for a review of the Development Management service at the Council.

RESOLVED THAT - the use of £20,000 from the Transformation Reserve to fund a review of the processes and procedures of the Development Management Service be approved.

Note: this decision is not subject to call-in.

Leisure and Wellbeing Portfolio

35. CORONATION 2023 – RUGBY TOWN

Cabinet considered the report of the Chief Officer – Leisure and Wellbeing (Part 1-agenda item 9) concerning funding for proposed activities in the town for the coronation of His Majesty King Charles III.

RESOLVED THAT - a supplementary budget of £20,000 for the delivery of Rugby town activities celebrating the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III, to be funded from the Budget Stability reserve, be approved.

Note: this decision is not subject to call-in.

36. BICENTENARY OF RUGBY UNION 1823 - 2023

Cabinet considered the report of the Chief Officer – Leisure and Wellbeing (Part 1-agenda item 10) concerning funding for activities to celebrate the bicentenary of the game of rugby union.

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RESOLVED THAT - IT BE RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL THAT a budget virement of up to £52,000 utilising existing budgets to mark the 200-year bicentenary celebrations of the game of rugby union be approved.

Note: this decision is not subject to call-in.

Finance, Performance, Legal and Governance Portfolio

37. FINANCE AND PERFORMANCE MONITORING 2022/23 – AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

Cabinet considered the report of the Chief Officer – Finance and Performance (Part 1 – agenda item 11) concerning the Council's financial and performance position as at 30 September 2022.

RESOLVED THAT -

- (1) the Council's anticipated financial position for 2022/23 be noted;
- (2) 2022/23 Budget Virements, as detailed in section 5, be approved;
- (3) performance information in section 6 be noted; and
- (4) IT BE RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL THAT 2022/23 Budget Virements as detailed within section 5 of the report, be approved.

Communities and Homes Portfolio

38. ACCESS TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY MEASURES – UPDATED ECO-FLEX STATEMENT OF INTENT FOR RUGBY

Cabinet considered the report of the Chief Officer – Communities and Homes (Part 1 - agenda Item 12) concerning updated Eco-Flex Statement of Intent for Rugby.

RESOLVED THAT - the updated statement of intent (appendix 1) to enable the delivery of Eco-Flex measures to support residents of private-sector housing in Rugby be adopted.

Regulation and Safety Portfolio

39. STRAY DOG POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Cabinet considered the report of the Chief Officer – Regulation and Safety (Part 1-agenda item 13) concerning the adoption of a stray dog policy.

RESOLVED THAT - the Stray Dog Policy as at Appendix 1 to the report be approved.

40. SAFER STREETS 4 GRANT FUNDING

Cabinet considered the report of the Chief Officer – Regulation and Safety (Part 1-agenda item 13) concerning a successful bid for grant funding under the Safer Streets scheme.

RESOLVED THAT -

- (1) this Council enters into a funding agreement with Office of Police and Crime Commissioner to ensure the Safer Streets grant funding can be spent; and
- (2) a capital budget of £49,500 for 2022/23 and 2023/24 for upgrading of CCTV cameras and lighting be approved.

Items considered en bloc

41. TREASURY MANAGEMENT MID YEAR UPDATE 2022/23

Cabinet considered the report of the Chief Officer – Finance and Performance (Part 1- agenda item 15) concerning progress on the Council's treasury management activities.

RESOLVED THAT -

- (1) the report be noted; and
- (2) the monitoring and the review of Treasury Management indicators be agreed.

42. CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 2023/24

Cabinet considered the report of the Chief Officer – Legal and Governance (Part 1 – agenda item 16) concerning the Council's calendar of meetings for 2023/24.

RESOLVED THAT - the Calendar of Meetings for 2023/24, as at Appendix 1 to the report, be approved.

43. 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 item on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of information defined in paragraphs 2 and 3 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

Communities and Homes Portfolio

44. PROPOSED SALE OF LAND

Cabinet considered the private report of the Chief Executive (Part 2 – agenda item 1) concerning the proposed sale of land.

RESOLVED THAT - IT BE RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL THAT the recommendation, as outlined in paragraph 7.1 of the report, be approved.

CHAIRMAN