## **MINUTES OF CABINET**

## 5 FEBRUARY 2018

#### PRESENT:

Councillors Stokes (Chairman), Mrs Crane, Mrs Parker, Ms Robbins and Mrs Timms.

Councillors Mrs A'Barrow, Ms Edwards, Miss Lawrence, Lewis, Mrs O'Rourke, Roodhouse and Sandison were also in attendance.

#### 79. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 8 January 2018 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

#### 80. QUESTION TIME

There were no questions.

## Growth and Investment Portfolio

#### 81. SCRUTINY REVIEW OF TOWN CENTRE HERITAGE

Cabinet considered the report of Whittle Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Part 1 – agenda item 5) concerning recommendations arising from a scrutiny review of town centre heritage.

**RESOLVED THAT** – recommendations 1-9 of the Town Centre Heritage Task Group Review (as detailed in section 1 of the review report) be approved, subject to available finances.

#### **Corporate Resources Portfolio**

#### 82. DRAFT GENERAL FUND REVENUE AND CAPITAL BUDGET 2018/19 AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2018-22

Cabinet considered the report of the Head of Corporate Resources and Chief Financial Officer (Part 1 – agenda item 6) concerning the updated draft General Fund revenue and capital budget for 2018/19 alongside the Medium Term Financial Plan for 2018-22.

## **RESOLVED THAT –**

- (1) the updated draft General Fund Revenue and Capital Budget position for 2018/19 be noted alongside the Council's 2018-22 Medium Term Financial Plan; and
- (2) a detailed scheme by scheme review be carried out of the items in the Capital Programme to rationalise the overall programme in terms of affordability and sustainability.

## 83. FINANCE AND PERFORMANCE MONITORING 2017/8 – PERIOD 8

Cabinet considered the report of the Head of Corporate Resources and Chief Financial Officer (Part 1 – agenda item 7) concerning the Council's financial and performance position as at period 8 (November 2017).

## **RESOLVED THAT –**

- (1) the Council's anticipated financial position for 2017/18 be noted;
- (2) a Supplementary net nil General Fund revenue budget of £10,000 be approved for The Handyman Service. Funding will be derived through direct charges to residents using the service;
- (3) a General Fund capital budget of £20,000 be approved for 2017/18 for the Licensing System upgrade, to be funded £10,000 from revenue and £10,000 contribution from the digitalisation reserve; and
- (4) IT BE RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL THAT -
- (a) a General Fund revenue budget virement to Corporate Savings of £73,000 be approved following an Economic Development carry forward from 2016/17 no longer required; and
- (b) performance summary and performance data included in Appendix 4 be considered and noted.

### **Communities and Homes Portfolio**

## 84. HOUSING STRATEGY FOR THE BOROUGH 2018 – 2020

Cabinet considered the report Head of Communities and Homes (Part 1 – agenda item 8) concerning a proposed Housing Strategy for the Borough for 2018-2020.

**RESOLVED THAT** – IT BE RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL THAT the Housing Strategy and action plan for 2018-2020 be adopted.

#### Items considered en bloc

#### 85. TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2018/19 – 2020/21

Cabinet considered the report of the Corporate Resources Portfolio Holder (Part 1 – agenda item 9) concerning the Council's treasury management strategy for 2018/19 – 2020/21.

## **RESOLVED THAT – IT BE RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL THAT -**

- (1) the Treasury Management Strategy for 2018/19 2020/21 be approved;
- (2) the Prudential and Treasury Management indicators for 2018/19 2020/21 be approved; and
- (3) the Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) policy be approved.

## 86. APPROVAL OF NON-DOMESTIC RATES RETURN – NNDR 2018/19

Cabinet considered the report of the Head of Corporate Resources and Chief Financial Officer (Part 1 – agenda item 10) concerning the approval of the Council's non-domestic rates return for 2018/19.

**RESOLVED THAT** – the national Non-Domestic Rates Return – NNDR1 2018/19 be approved.

# 87. 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 involved the likely disclosure of information defined in paragraph 2 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

**Corporate Resources Portfolio** 

#### 88. NOMINATION FOR CIVIC HONOUR – REPORT OF THE CIVIC HONOURS WORKING PARTY

Cabinet considered the private report of the Civic Honours Working Party (Part 2 – agenda item 1) concerning its recommendations from its meeting of 9 January 2018.

**RESOLVED THAT** – the nomination not be considered at this time and be carried forward to the next round of nominations.

CHAIRMAN