

## **CABINET DECISION NOTICE**

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At the meeting of the Cabinet held on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2020 the following matters were discussed. The decisions of Cabinet are set out below each item along with reasons for the decision and other options considered.

#### **Present:**

Councillor Jackson (in the Chair) Councillors Cracknell, Fenty, Lindley, Procter, Shepherd, Shreeve and S. Swinburn.

### DN.31 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence from this meeting.

### DN.32 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest with regard to any items on the agenda for this meeting.

### DN.33 MINUTES

The minutes of the Cabinet meeting on 8th July 2020, and the 5th August 2020 and the Special Cabinet meeting on the 15th July 2020 were agreed as a correct record.

# DN.34 STALLINGBOROUGH INTERCHANGE EMPLOYMENT SITE SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT ADOPTION

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transport seeking approval to adopt the 'Stallingborough Interchange Employment Site Supplementary Planning Document.

### **RESOLVED -**

- 1. That the Stallingborough Interchange Employment Site Supplementary Planning Document, as laid out in Appendix 1 of the report now submitted, be adopted.
- 2. That authority be delegated to the Director of Economy and Growth to appropriately publish the same.

REASONS FOR DECISION - The Council has a statutory duty, as a local planning authority, to prepare and maintain an up to date 'Development Plan'. The preparation of Supplementary Planning Documents that support the adopted Local Plan whilst not a statutory duty, do provide additional guidance on policies set out in the Plan and will support the future development of this strategic site.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED – The Council could do nothing and rely on national policies and guidance and the policies set out in the adopted Local Plan. However, by providing additional information to developers, landowners and communities, the Council is seeking to put in place a more comprehensive policy framework that will support economic development on the strategic employment site whilst ensuring related impacts are given full consideration as part of the planning process.

### DN.35 ACCELERATED TOWNS FUND

Cabinet considered a report from the Leader of the Council seeking approval to act as Accountable Body for the Accelerated Towns Fund grant.

### **RESOLVED -**

- 1. That the proposal for the Council to act as Accountable Body for the Accelerated Towns Fund from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) when the grant is formally awarded, be approved and agrees receipt of these funds.
- 2. That authority be delegated to the Director of Economy and Growth, in consultation with the Chief Legal and Monitoring Officer, and the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Skills and Housing to negotiate and finalise appropriate legal agreements between the Council and MHCLG.
- 3. That authority be delegated to the Director of Economy and Growth in conjunction with the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Skills and Housing, to take all actions necessary to progress this scheme to ensure it can be implemented within the permitted timescale.

REASONS FOR DECISION – To enable the Council to accept the grant when formally awarded and to begin work on the design of the scheme.

Further detail of the full Riverhead scheme will be presented to Cabinet following the design stage.

### OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED -

Do nothing – this would be an option which would not achieve the Council's key strategic aims for the regeneration of the town centre, as described in the Local Plan, Grimsby and Cleethorpes Town Centre Investment Plan and emerging Grimsby Masterplan.

Development of an alternative scheme – due to the very short development and delivery window attached to this funding there was little opportunity to develop an alternative scheme as other dependencies like planning permission and procurement exercises could not have been achieved.

The Preferred Option – following an assessment of deliverable options the conclusion was to select a scheme which has been given recent support through the public consultation and is emerging as a priority project within the Grimsby Masterplan. The scheme requires a short lead in time therefore the Riverhead scheme, adjacent to current public realm work was the preferred option, along with an extension to the works currently being carried out at St James Square. Both can be mobilised quickly by extending current on-site contractors.