

To be submitted to the Council at its meeting on the 17th March, 2022

## **CABINET**

## 1st December 2021 at 5.00 p.m.

**Present:** Councillor Jackson (in the Chair)

Councillors Cracknell, Lindley, Procter, Shepherd, Shreeve and S.

Swinburn.

#### Officers in attendance:

Rob Walsh (Chief Executive)

- Joanne Hewson (Deputy Chief Executive and Executive Director for People, Health and Care)
- Simon Jones (Assistant Director Law, Governance and Assets) (Monitoring Officer)
- Sharon Wroot (Executive Director Environment, Economy and Resources)
- Laura Cowie (Scrutiny and Committee Advisor)

There were no members of the press and one member of the public in attendance.

#### CB.85 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence received for this meeting.

## CB.86 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest from any Councillor for this meeting.

## CB.87 MINUTES

The minutes of the Cabinet meeting on 3rd November 2021 and the Special Cabinet meeting on 20th October 2021 were agreed as a correct record.

## CB.88 CALCULATION OF THE COUNCIL TAX BASE FOR 2022/23

Cabinet considered a report from the Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Assets outlining the proposed Council Tax Support Scheme for the forthcoming year.

#### RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL -

- 1. That the proposed Council Tax Support Scheme for 2022/2023, which maintains the maximum discount of 65% for all eligible working age customers, be supported.
- 2. That, subject to the resolution above being agreed, the Council Tax Base for the Council and other precepting bodies in 2022/23 be set at 45,206.9 Band D equivalents (as detailed in Appendix A of the report now submitted).

## CB.89 PROCUREMENT OF REAL TIME BUS INFORMATION

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transport seeking approval to procure a new contract for the provision of Real Time Information.

#### RESOLVED -

- That authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Environment, Economy and Resources, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transport to:
  - a. Implement an above threshold compliant procurement exercise for Real Time Information.
  - b. Award a four-year contract (with the option to extend the contract for delivery of the service for a further 2 years subject to high performance levels) within the budget allocated to the Real Time Information project.
  - c. Carry out all ancillary actions arising from the above, including full implementation.
- 2. That the Assistant Director Law Governance and Assets be authorised to execute all documents in connection with the above.

## CB.90 CORPORATE CLEANING CONTRACT 2022

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder Finance, Resources and Assets seeking approval to commence a tender process for a new cleaning contract.

#### RESOLVED -

- 1. That the principle to commence a procurement exercise for a new cleaning services contract with a reduced cleaning regime, where appropriate and in line with health and safety and Covid requirements, be approved.
- 2. That authority be delegated to the Executive Director of Environment, Economy and Resources, in consultation with the Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Assets, to commence a procurement exercise and thereafter award the successful tender to a preferred provider and settle all terms and ensure that all necessary actions are carried out to mobilise and implement the contract.
- That the Assistant Director of Law, Governance and Assets (Monitoring Officer) be authorised to complete and execute all requisite legal documentation in relation to the matters outlined above.

# CB.91 NORTH EAST LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL NATURAL ASSETS PLAN

Cabinet considered a report from the Leader of the Council setting out a strategic plan for the next five years to protect and enhance our natural assets.

#### RESOLVED -

- 1. That the North East Lincolnshire Natural Assets Plan, as set out in Appendix A of the report now submitted, be approved and adopted.
- 2. That the results of the public survey report set out in Appendix B of the report now submitted, be noted.
- 3. That an annual report be brought back to Cabinet by the Executive Director Environment, Economy and Resources, setting out the progress towards government targets for biodiversity net gain, improved air and water quality and increased tree canopy cover.

# CB.92 NORTH EAST LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL CARBON ROADMAP

Cabinet considered a report from the Leader of the Council setting out a strategic plan to achieve the governments target of net zero carbon by 2050.

RESOLVED -

- 1. That the North East Lincolnshire Council Carbon Roadmap, as set out in Appendix A of the report now submitted, including formal adoption of the target for the organisation to become carbon neutral by 2040, be approved and adopted.
- 2. That the results of the public survey report, set out in Appendix B of the report now submitted, be noted.
- 3. That an annual report be brought back to Cabinet by the Executive Director Environment, Economy and Resources, setting out the progress towards the organisation's goal to become carbon neutral by 2040 and for the area of North East Lincolnshire to progress towards the government target of net zero by 2050.

## CB.93 DISPOSAL OF SITES SUITABLE FOR DEVELOPMENT ACROSS NORTH EAST LINCOLNSHIRE

Cabinet considered a report from the Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Assets seeking authority, in principle, to dispose of a number of sites following due consideration and appraisal.

The Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Assets informed members that there was an error within the environmental section of the report and confirmed it should read as follows:

There might be opportunities to create some climate mitigations, such as soft surfaces for slowing run-off from heavy rain and so prevent flooding. Or potential for greening of previously built-on land, for enjoyment and improved wellbeing. We will be mindful of promoting to developers the options they have that reduce carbon emissions and provide mitigation or adaptation.

## RESOLVED -

- 1. That the principle of the disposal of sites across the Borough following due consideration by an officer working group, be approved.
- That authority be delegated to the Executive Director of Environment, Economy and Resources, in consultation with the Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Assets, to identify such sites, settle all terms and ensure that all necessary and reasonable actions are carried out to complete disposal.
- 3. That the Assistant Director of Law, Governance and Assets (Monitoring Officer) be authorised to complete and execute all requisite legal documentation in relation to the matters outlined above.

## CB.94 GRANT STREET CAR PARK REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder Environment and Transport seeking investment in the redevelopment of Grant Street car park to create a single storey extension.

#### RESOLVED -

- 1. That the principle of the development of the Grant Street Extension project and enabling investment, be approved.
- 2. That subject to the satisfaction of the Executive Director for Environment, Economy and Resources, acting in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transport in the financial modelling of the proposal, recognising current market forces, to then enter into pre market consultation if required and thereafter:
  - a. delegates authority to the Executive Director for Environment, Economy and Resources to commence engagement and action communications exercise for the car park redevelopment.
  - b. delegates authority to the Executive Director for Environment, Economy and Resources, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transport, to commence a procurement exercise for the car park redevelopment and to deal with all matters arising, including award, implementation and monitoring of the project.
- 3. That the Assistant Director for Law, Governance and Assets be authorised to settle, complete and execute all documentation arising from the above.

## **CB.95 PLAYING PITCH PROVISION**

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Economic Development, Housing and Tourism seeking to phase the proposed works for Clee Fields, and deliver the recommended necessary works identified.

## RESOLVED -

1. That authority be delegated to the Executive Director of Environment, Economy and Resources, in consultation with both the Leader of the Council and the Portfolio Holder for Economic Development, Housing and Tourism, to ensure that all necessary actions are carried out to phase the delivery of the proposed scheme, to commence with phase 1 works at Clee Fields, and only progress works at the KGV Stadium Site subject to the development of an acceptable business case and the identification of available necessary funds.

- 2. That authority be delegated to the Executive Director of Environment, Economy and Resources, in consultation with both the Leader of the Council and the Portfolio Holder for Economic Development, Housing and Tourism, to commence, conduct and award contracts following appropriate procurement exercises for the development of the Clee Fields site in readiness for implementation of the anticipated scheme of works and to carry out all actions arising or ancillary to such exercise and ultimate implementation.
- 3. That the Assistant Director Law, Governance and Assets (Monitoring Officer) be authorised to complete all requisite legal documentation in relation to the matters outlined in the above recommendation.

## CB.96 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED – That the press and public be requested to leave on the grounds that discussion of the following business was likely to disclose exempt information within paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

## CB.97 PLAYING PITCH PROVISION

Cabinet considered the closed appendices for item CB.94.

RESOLVED – That the closed appendices be noted.

# CB.98 URGENT BUSINESS - GRIMSBY AUDITORIUM ENHANCEMENTS

Cabinet considered an item of urgent business from the Deputy Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Assets seeking agreement to proceed with an application for grant funding.

This item was considered under the Special Urgency requirements as set out in the Council's Constitution, and with the agreement of the Chair of the Economy Scrutiny Panel. It was therefore not subject to the call-in procedure. This matter was considered urgent due to the tight time constraints for the grant application.

#### RESOLVED -

- 1. That the application of grant funding to Arts Council England be supported.
- 2. That authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Environment, Economy and Resources, in consultation with the Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Assets, to work in

- partnership with Lincs Inspire Limited to submit the application to Arts Council England prior to the deadline of noon on 13th December 2021.
- 3. That, in the event of a successful bid and subsequent award, authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Environment, Economy and Resources, in consultation with the Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Assets to carry out all activity required to support, mobilise and implement defrayment of grant funding.
- 4. That the Assistant Director Law, Governance and Assets be authorised to execute documentation arising.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 5.57 p.m.