



CABINET
DECISION NOTICE

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At a special meeting of the Cabinet held on 17th October, 2016 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 Oxby (in the Chair)
Councillors Hyldon-King, James, Patrick, Watson and Wheatley.

DN.54 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were apologies received from Councillor Chase.

DN.55 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest in any items on the agenda for this meeting.

DN.56

HUMBERSTON FITTIES

Cabinet considered a referral from Council with regard to a call-in of the decision taken by Cabinet at its meeting on 8th June, 2016 in relation to the Humberston Fitties Chalet Park.

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the referral back from Council on 22nd September 2016, with a recommendation to retain a two month closed season, be noted.**
- (2) That the decision taken by Cabinet on 8th June 2016 to implement a four month closed season be quashed.**
- (3) That the recommendation from Council to retain a two month closed season be approved.**

REASONS FOR DECISION – The recommendations made enable Cabinet to conform to the requirements of the Council's Constitution and make a final determination on whether or not a four month closed season was implemented or a two month closed season was retained. Cabinet's final decision on the implementation or not of a four month closed season is final in accordance with the Council's Constitution.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED – In considering this referral back from Council, Cabinet has the following options:

- Cabinet can confirm the decisions made by the earlier meeting of Cabinet on 8th June 2016 which will render the decision to implement a four month closed season to be immediately effective and not subject to any further call-in process. This decision would be final.
- Cabinet can decide to implement the recommendation made by Council on 22nd September 2016 and reverse the decision on 8th June 2016 to implement a four month closed season. In doing so, Cabinet would confirm the status quo – namely that the two month closed season currently in place will remain unaltered.
- Any other course of action would need to be considered by a later meeting of Cabinet having been administrated in accordance with the Council's Constitution including, but not limited to, inclusion within the Forward Plan allowing members of the public at least 28 days' notice of the decision. Any other course of action would have

the legal effect of quashing the decision of Cabinet on 8th June 2016.

DN.57

DELIVERING DIFFERENTLY

Cabinet considered a referral from the Regeneration, Housing and Environment Scrutiny Panel with regard to a call-in of the decision taken by Cabinet at its meeting on 31st August, 2016 on the implementation of a new alternative delivery model for the Cemeteries and Crematorium Service

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the views of the Regeneration, Environment and Housing Scrutiny Panel, be noted.**
- (2) That the decisions of Cabinet taken at its meeting on the 31st August 2016 be reaffirmed and the process for the procurement of a joint venture partner commence.**
- (3) That in light of feedback from the funeral directors, via the Scrutiny process, a meeting be arranged to establish if there are any alternative solutions to address funeral poverty prior to formal market engagement.**

REASONS FOR DECISION - Further to the scrutiny call in, Cabinet need to determine the strategic direction for the current service.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED - To run a procurement exercises to identify a preferred provider of low cost funerals which would be promoted by the Council. This would be consistent with our enabling approach and provide a community benefit in mitigating funeral poverty. If this exercise was not successful then this would provide clear evidence that a more significant market intervention was warranted. This option would not achieve the enhanced service delivery or lower costs afforded by a successfully procured joint venture option.