



To be submitted to the meeting of Council on 20th July, 2017.

CABINET

15th March, 2017

PRESENT: Councillor Oxby (in the Chair)
Councillors Chase, Hyldon-King, James, Patrick, Watson and P. Wheatley

Officers in Attendance:

Joanne Hewson	Deputy Chief Executive (Communities)
Ange Blake	Director of Economy and Growth
Sharon Wroot	Director of Finance, Resources and Operations
Laura Cowie	Scrutiny and Committee Advisor
Simon Jones	Acting Monitoring Officer
Eve Richardson-Smith	Deputy Monitoring Officer

Also in attendance:

Wendy Fisher	Capital and Assets Programme Manager
Iain Lovell	Head of Communications, Marketing and Print
Benji Smith	Business Support Specialist

Councillors Bramley, De Freitas, Goodwin, Harness, Rogers, and Stockton.

There were 37 members of the public and 4 members of the press in attendance.

CB.140 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence received from this meeting.

CB.141 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

CB.142 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on the 15th February 2017 were approved as a correct record.

CB.143 **HUMBERSTON FITTIES**

Cabinet considered a report from Portfolio Holder for Finance Resources and Inclusion providing an update following the joint scrutiny meeting on 21st February 2017 regarding the disposal of the Humberston Fitties site by way of a lease.

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the offer from the preferred bidder, as outlined in section 1.17 of the 18 January 2017 Cabinet report and subject to the observations of scrutiny as per recommendation 2; which would result in the disposal of the Fitties site (as per the plan outlined at Appendix One of the report now submitted) for a fixed sum payable as a premium payment and a long leasehold interest (125 years'), be approved.
- (2) That the observations of scrutiny as outlined in section 6.1 of the report now submitted, be noted.
- (3) That the Director of Finance, Resources and Operations in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Inclusion, be authorised to approve the detailed terms relating to the disposal.
- (4) That the Solicitor to the Council be authorised to complete all requisite legal documentation in relation to the matters outlined in the points above.

CB.144 **RESOURCES MONITORING REPORT - QUARTER 3**

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Inclusion providing key information and analysis of the Council's financial position and performance at the end of the third Quarter of 2016/17.

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the Quarter 3 Resource Monitoring Report be referred to scrutiny for consideration.
- (2) That the changes to the capital programme as detailed in Annex 1 to Appendix 1 of the report now submitted, be approved.

CB.145

MERIDIAN SHOWGROUND, DISCOVERY CENTRE AND CLEETHORPES PADDLING POOL

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Safer Communities, Public Protection and the Visitor Economy providing an update on a review of the current management, maintenance and operational arrangements at the Meridian Showground, Discovery Centre, and Cleethorpes Paddling Pool.

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the offer of services undertaken from the Meridian Showground (lot 1), Discovery Centre (including sandpit) and Cleethorpes Paddling Pool (lot 2) to an external organisation, either Lincs Inspire or through the procurement of an external provider, be approved.
- (2) That the Director of Economy and Growth in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Safer Communities, Public Protection and the Visitor Economy be approved to offer the management, maintenance and operation of the Meridian Showground (lot 1), Discovery Centre (including sandpit) and Cleethorpes Paddling Pool (lot 2) to Lincs Inspire Limited.
- (3) That in the event Lincs Inspire Limited express no interest in the transfer of one or both lots or terms cannot be agreed between North East Lincolnshire Borough Council and Lincs Inspire Limited, the Director of Economy and Growth in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Safer Communities, Public Protection and the Visitor Economy commence a public procurement exercise for the relevant lot(s).
- (4) That the Director of Finance, Resources and Operations in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources be delegated responsibility to ensure that all necessary actions in relation to the transfer of assets are approved and carried out.

(5) That the Monitoring Officer be authorised to approve the detailed terms of the services contracts and disposal and complete all requisite legal documentation in relation to the matters outlined above.

CB.146 **NATIONAL NON DOMESTIC RATES DEBTS**

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Inclusion on the write off of uncollectable National Non Domestic Rates.

RESOLVED – That the recommendation to formally write off the sum of £145,621.81, be approved.

CB.147 **URGENT BUSINESS - GRIMSBY ICE RINK**

Cabinet considered a verbal update from the Portfolio Holder for Health and Wellbeing on the referral from Council following its consideration of the call in of the decision to close the Ice Rink at the Grimsby Leisure Centre. Cabinet also received the comments of the ice rink scrutiny working group.

This item was considered urgent in order to assure the community group that the matter was being dealt with promptly.

RESOLVED - That the comments of the working group be noted and the referral from Council be accepted subject to a firm instruction that the community asset transfer process be completed within the six month timescale for which funding has been allocated to keep the ice rink open.

CB.148 **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

RESOLVED – That the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting 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.149 **HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC ACADEMY – LONG TERM SOLUTION**

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Children's Services setting out the proposed long term solution to retain the secondary school places in the Cleethorpes area.

This item was considered urgent to allow a timely solution to transfer the sponsor.

This was considered under the Special Urgency provision and is therefore exempt from call-in.

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the Deputy Chief Executive Communities be authorised to have delegated powers with support from the Section 151 Officer to deliver assistance, as set out in the report now submitted, in the retention of secondary school places in the Cleethorpes area at the current Holy Family Catholic Academy school site.
- (2) That the request for the Portfolio Holder for Children's Services to be a member of the Governing Body of the Holy Family Catholic Academy, be approved.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 3.00 p.m.