

To be submitted to the Council meeting on the 23rd March 2017

# **CABINET**

# 18th January, 2017

**PRESENT:** Councillor Oxby (in the Chair)

Councillors Chase, Hyldon-King, Patrick, Watson and Wheatley

#### Officers in Attendance:

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

#### Also in attendance:

Councillors Bramley, De Freitas, Harness, Jackson, Lindley, Stockton, and Shreeve.

There were 13 members of the public and 4 members of the press in attendance.

# CB.111 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology was received from Councillor James for this meeting.

# CB.112 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors P Wheatley and Hyldon-King both declared a personal interest in item CB.114 as members of the civic society.

### CB.113 MINUTES

The minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2016 were approved as a correct record.

# CB.114 **JUNCTION IMPROVEMENTS**

Cabinet considered a report from the Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Energy and Environment and the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Skills and Housing seeking approval for a programme of improvements to three major junctions on North East Lincolnshire's strategic highways network.

Councillor Shreeve was invited to address Cabinet in his role as Deputy Chair of the Regeneration, Housing and Environment Scrutiny Panel. Councillor Shreeve informed Cabinet that, after consultation with the public and via the Scrutiny Panel, he had not come across one person who was in support of the signalised traffic lights at Toll Bar roundabout. He raised his concerns regarding the safety of both pedestrians and cyclists, and the increased traffic it could cause. He also felt that the potential increased traffic flow would restrict the local homeowners from entering and exiting their properties at peak times.

Councillor De Freitas, lead petitioner for the Nuns Corner roundabout, was invited to address Cabinet. Councillor De Freitas echoed Councillor Shreeve's concerns and reiterated the same applied with regards to the Nuns Corner proposals.

Mr Vic Waller, lead petitioner for the Cambridge Road/Littlecoates Road roundabout was invited to address Cabinet. Mr Waller explained to Cabinet that a T junction preceded the roundabout, and he felt that the roundabout had improved traffic flow. He believed that traffic lights would cause traffic congestion, and significantly so at peak times. This would then hinder local residents from accessing their properties, and could also cause additional delays for the buses. Mr Waller also expressed his concerns for any additional pollution that may be caused now and for the future when development started on the Western Site.

The Leader thanked all speakers for their representations and attendance.

- (1) That the petitions be received.
- (2) That the options for junction improvement presented in the report now submitted and the associated Officer recommendations be noted and that:

- The existing Toll Bar roundabout be removed and replaced with a signalised crossroads junction, with appropriate integrated pedestrian and cycle safety measures.
- the Littlecoates Road/Cambridge Road roundabout be enlarged with appropriate integrated pedestrian and cycle safety measures.
- The existing Nuns Corner roundabout be retained with appropriate integrated pedestrian and cycle safety measures.
- (3) That the Director for Economy and Growth be authorised, in consultation with the Director of Finance, Resources and Operations, to negotiate with the Greater Lincolnshire LEP in respect of the Local Government Fund grant to lobby that these funds continue to be secured for infrastructure investment in North East Lincolnshire.
- (4) That the Director for Economy and Growth be authorised, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Energy and Environment and the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Skills and Housing to instruct the Council's Regeneration Partner, ENGIE to:
  - finalise the infrastructure design for each of Cabinet's preferred options;
  - commence a procurement exercise for the award of contracts for the construction of each of these preferred options;
  - manage the risks relating to, and arising from these preferred options prior to final tender prices being available for the works;
  - oversee and monitor the construction of each scheme by the appointed contractor.
- (5) That the Director of Economy and Growth be authorised to ensure that all actions necessary and ancillary thereto be completed.

#### CB.115 THE FORMER MATTHEW HUMBERSTONE LOWER SCHOOL SITE

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Inclusion and Portfolio Holder for Children and Young People seeking approval to refurbish and return into use the former Matthew Humberstone Lower School, for the purpose of primary education.

#### RESOLVED -

(1) That agreement be given now that phase one is complete (demolition of the sports block, removal of mobiles and roof repairs), to proceed with a phase two programme of works enabling the former Matthew

Humberstone Lower School to be refurbished and utilised for primary provision.

- (2) That, subject to all necessary approvals resulting in the relocation of Bursar Street School, this site be approved in principle for disposal.
- (3) That, subject to all necessary approvals being obtained, 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 of the Bursar Street site and the Matthew Humberston Lower playing pitch site.
- (4) That the Monitoring Officer to the Council be authorised to complete all requisite legal documentation in relation to the matters outlined in the points above.

# CB.116 DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY AT LESS THAN BEST CONSIDERATION - LEASE OF FORMER TRIN YOUTH CENTRE, TRINITY ROAD, CLEETHORPES

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Inclusion seeking authority to dispose of the subject site by way of granting a lease for youth activities.

#### RESOLVED -

- (1) That the Grimsby Boxing Academy ("the group") be granted a lease of the subject property for a term of 25 years at £100 per annum.
- (2) That the Director of Finance, Resources and Operations, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Inclusion be delegated responsibility to ensure that all necessary actions are carried out in order to complete and approve the detailed terms of the disposal.
- (3) That the Monitoring Officer be authorised to complete all requisite legal documentation in relation to the matters outlined above.
- (4) That, until disposal is ultimately achieved, the Council continue its commitment to maintaining the property.

# CB.117 THE TRANSFORMATION OF SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 0-19+ YEARS

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Children and Young People on the transformation of services we deliver for children and young people, setting out our vision.

- (1) That the characteristics of our future way of working, to deliver outcomes for families, children and young people be approved.
- (2) That the Council proceed with the reshaping of provision for children and families.
- (3) That progress on the programme be reported at regular intervals to the Children and Young People's Scrutiny Panel, and Cabinet as required and overseen by the Children's Partnership Board.

# CB.118 A18 AECOM REPORT – FORMAL CONSIDERATION

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Energy and Environment detailing the independent review report produced by AECOM Ltd.

- (1) That the independent review report produced by AECOM Ltd appended to the report now submitted be noted, and thereby complete the actions required by HM Coroner.
- (2) That it be noted, the Council's partner ENGIE, with whom the independent review was jointly commissioned, were similarly required to formally consider its output.
- (3) That the Director of Economy and Growth be authorised to secure the necessary funding to enable ENGIE to be commissioned to undertake a detailed feasibility study examining the Composite Road Safety Scheme for the A18 more thoroughly along with the development of a detailed business case.
- (4) That upon completion of the detailed feasibility study and business case referred to above, the Director of Economy and Growth be authorised to instruct ENGIE, in conjunction with the Portfolio Holder for Energy and Environment, to make representations to the Department for Transport and all other potential sources of transport infrastructure funding to enable the Composite Road Safety Scheme for the A18 to be delivered in whole or in part as evidenced to be the most effective and efficient.
- (5) That the Director of Economy and Growth ensures that a final report be presented to Cabinet upon the completion of the resolutions above, and subject to consultation as appropriate for major schemes having been completed, setting out the recommended delivery and

funding options for implementation and delivery of any proposed scheme.

# CB.119 **DESIGNATED STOP OVER SITE**

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Inclusion providing an update on progress on the identification of a suitable site to be used as a Gypsy and Traveller Designated Stopover Site.

#### RESOLVED -

- (1) That the progress made by officers to date in seeking a suitable 'Designated Stopover Site' for Gypsy and Travellers travelling through North East Lincolnshire be noted.
- (2) That a further report outlining options for the provision of the 'Designated Stopover Site' for Gypsy and Travellers which will result in either one site based on 15 pitches or multiple sites based on 5 pitches, be referred to the Regeneration, Environment and Housing Scrutiny Panel for consideration prior to submission to Cabinet at the earliest opportunity.

### CB.120 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.121 HUMBERSTON FITTIES – DISPOSAL OF THE SITE BY WAY OF A LEASE

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Inclusion on the process and results of a marketing exercise to dispose of the Humberston Fitties by way of a lease.

- (1) That the offer from the preferred bidder be approved as outlined in section 2 of the report now submitted and subject to resolution 2; which will result in the disposal of the Fitties site (as per the plan outlined at Appendix One) for a fixed sum payable as a premium payment and a long leasehold interest (125 years').
- (2) That the matter be referred to Full Council for the matter to be debated.
- (3) That if Full Council agree with the disposal as outlined in resolution 1 above, 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 Monitoring Officer for the Council be authorised to complete all requisite legal documentation in relation to the matters outlined in the points above.
- (5) That in the event that Full Council disagrees with Cabinet's decision in relation to resolution 1 above, the matter shall come back to Cabinet for a final decision to be made, in consideration of matters raised by Full Council.

### CB.122 URGENT BUSINESS – VICTORIA MILLS

Cabinet received and noted a report for information, confirming a decision taken under delegated powers regarding the Victoria Mills site.

This matter was considered urgent in order to update Cabinet on an urgent officer decision, as required by the Council's Constitution.

RESOLVED – That the urgent officer decision notice be noted.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 2.50 p.m.