

To be submitted to the Council meeting on 14th December, 2017

# **CABINET**

## 22nd September 2017

**PRESENT:** Councillor Oxby (in the Chair) Councillors Bolton, James, Patrick and P. Wheatley

Officers in Attendance:

Rob Walsh	Chief Executive
Simon Jones	Acting Monitoring Officer
Sharon Wroot	Director of Finance, Operations and Resources
Paul Windley	Democratic and Scrutiny Team Manager

Officers also in attendance:

lain Lovell	Head of Communications, Marketing and Print
Zoe Campbell	Scrutiny and Committee Advisor

Also in attendance -

There was 1 member of the public and 1 member of the press in attendance.

### CB.41 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence from this meeting were received from Councillors Hyldon-King and Watson.

#### CB.42 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

#### CB.43 PROPOSED MERGER OF SHORELINE HOUSING PARTNERSHIP WITH BOSTON MAYFLOWER

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Assets, Skills and Housing setting out the framework of the proposed Shoreline merger.

This matter had been considered at the meeting of full Council on 21<sup>st</sup> September, 2017 and it was noted that Council had supported the proposed merger.

Cabinet welcomed the reassurance provided by the strengthened memorandum of understanding and agreed that recommendation two of the report be amended to make reference to this as a deed binding both parties.

On a related matter, Mr. Walsh referred to the forthcoming Government green paper on social housing and suggested that a formal response be brought to a future Cabinet meeting for approval.

**RESOLVED** -

- (1) That the proposed merger of Shoreline Housing Partnership and Boston Mayflower Housing Association be supported as recommended by Full Council at its meeting of 21st September 2017.
- (2) That authority be delegated to the Director for Economy and Growth in consultation with the Director of Finance, Resources and Operations and the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Assets, Skills and Housing to settle terms with Shoreline Housing Partnership to confirm its intentions towards the Borough of North East Lincolnshire so far as its responsibilities, investment, growth, strategic development and partnership are concerned; such matters to be captured in a deed and duly executed, so as to bind both parties and to endure through any merger process;
- (3) That authority be delegated to the Chief Legal and Monitoring Officer to give formal written notification to Shoreline Housing Partnership of the wish to appoint the Director for Growth and Economy as Authorised Representative to the Board of Members;
- (4) That authority be delegated to the Director for Growth and Economy, as Authorised Representative, to call for a poll; and
- (5) That, subject to completion of resolution (2), the Authorised Representative be instructed to vote as decided by Cabinet.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 2.11 p.m.