



To be submitted to the Council meeting on 18th December, 2019

CABINET

6th November, 2019

PRESENT: Councillor Jackson (in the Chair)
Councillors Cracknell, Fenty, Lindley, Procter, Shepherd, Shreeve and S. Swinburn.

Officers in attendance:

Rob Walsh (Joint Chief Executive)
Joanne Hewson (Chief Operating Officer)
Simon Jones (Chief Legal and Monitoring Officer)
Stephen Pintus (Director Health and Wellbeing)
Sharon Wroot (Director Resources and Governance)
Carolina Borgstrom (Assistant Director Operations)
Mark Nearney (Assistant Director Housing)
Paul Windley (Democratic and Scrutiny Team Manager)

Also in attendance:

Councillors Beasant, Bramley, Goodwin, Mickleburgh and Rudd

There were six members of the public and one member of the press in attendance.

CB.51 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence from this meeting.

CB.52 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest made with regard to any items on the agenda for this meeting.

The Chief Legal and Monitoring Officer advised Cabinet that purdah had commenced and that the business of Cabinet was to be conducted in compliance with purdah restrictions.

CB.53 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the Cabinet meeting on 2nd October, 2019 were agreed as a correct record.

CB.54 **GYPSY AND TRAVELLER DESIGNATED STOPPING PLACE**

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Skills and Housing providing an update on the latest position with the provision of a gypsy and traveller designated stopping place.

Councillor Fenty introduced the report and provided background to the council's pursuit of a designated stopping place over the last five years. He commented that it was now time to bring this matter to a conclusion but he welcomed the views of the public on the proposed shortlisted sites. He set out the reasons for providing the designated stopping place.

The Chair noted that a petition had been received, objecting to the siting of a designated stopping place in residential areas or near local businesses. The lead petitioner was unable to attend this meeting but had prepared a statement which the Chair asked the Democratic and Scrutiny Team Manager to read out. The statement raised concerns about devaluation of homes close to the site and referred to the history of illegal encampments in the area and the problems they had caused. It was suggested that the site should be in an area out of town, away from any residential areas and not situated near areas with elderly or vulnerable people, nor near schools and small local businesses. The cost of site and its upkeep was questioned and enforcement of illegal encampments once the site had been established was also drawn into question.

The Chair acknowledged the comments made in the statement and noted that they would be taken into account as part of the anticipated public consultation.

The Chair invited Councillor Bramley, in her capacity as a South ward councillor, to address the meeting.

Councillor Bramley referred to a letter she had received from a resident on the Nunsthorpe estate. The letter referred to threats that had been made should a designated stopping place be located on the estate and raised concerns that it would bring a return to problems that had plagued the estate in the past. Councillor Bramley stated that violence was not the answer and she felt that discussions should take place with travellers

to identify a site that they would prefer. She added that this should not be in the middle of a housing estate.

The Chair invited Councillor Beasant, in his capacity as an East Marsh ward councillor, to address the meeting.

Councillor Beasant raised concerns about the impact of the Garibaldi Street car park proposal on the Central Hall in Duncombe Street and the potential closure of one of the best venues in the Borough. He felt that none of the shortlisted sites were suitable and suggested that a select committee be formed to look at the matter in more detail.

RESOLVED –

1. That the Director of Resources and Governance be instructed to undertake technical assessments of the following sites and refresh those where technical assessments have already been carried out:
 - Land of Former Nunsthorpe Youth Centre (demolished) (Wootton Road)
 - Land at Winchester Avenue / Torksey Drive and Toynton Road
 - Land under Cleethorpes Road Flyover West
 - Wellington Street Car Park
 - Garibaldi Street Car Park
2. That, upon receipt of technical assessments, authority be delegated to the Director of Resources and Governance, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Skills and Housing, to commence a public consultation exercise on the said sites, subject to such assessments.
3. That the petition objecting to the siting of a designated stopping place in residential areas or near local businesses be received and included within the results of the public consultation exercise.
4. That the Director for Resources and Governance be instructed to update Cabinet by way of a further report on the results of the consultation exercise.

CB.55

2019/20 QUARTER 2 FINANCE MONITORING REPORT

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources providing key information and analysis of the Council's financial position and performance at the end of Quarter 2 of the 2019/20 financial year.

RESOLVED –

1. That the reported position at quarter 2 be noted, and the Finance Monitoring Report be referred to Scrutiny for consideration.

2. That the revised Capital Programme, as included at Annex 1 to the report now submitted, be approved.

CB.56

STRATEGIC HOUSING ACTION PLAN

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Skills and Housing presenting the revised Strategic Housing Action Plan 2019.

RESOLVED – That the Strategic Housing Action Plan 2019 – 2021 be approved and adopted.

CB.57

HERITAGE ASSETS AT RISK

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Skills and Housing seeking approval for capital funding to undertake essential repairs to the Former Holme Hill School/ Education Development Centre (EDC), which would see it removed from the Heritage 'At Risk' Register.

RESOLVED - That the Director of Resources and Governance be authorised to make the necessary arrangements to release the capital sum of £568,000 (spanning across the 2019-22 financial year period) to allow urgent repairs to take place at the Former Holme Hill School/ Education Development Centre (EDC) as part two of the next phase of repairs to a Council owned asset that would result in removing the asset from the Heritage 'At Risk' Register.

CB.58

REVIEW OF FUTURE RECYCLING COLLECTION MODEL AND NORTH EAST LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL'S WASTE STRATEGY

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transport outlining the options open to the Council relating to a local Waste Strategy and domestic recycling collection model, the risks and benefits for each option and the recommended approach by the service.

RESOLVED –

1. That, having regard to the consistency framework for recycling collections in England due to be published by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) in early 2020 and being supplemental to the published Resources and Waste Strategy, a final decision on a local strategy and new waste collection model be deferred.
2. That, in the meantime, authority be delegated to the Director for Economy and Growth, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transport, to commence a consultation exercise on a new local municipal waste strategy and extend this consultation to

also gain residents views on future priorities for domestic recycling collections.

3. That the Director for Economy and Growth be instructed to report to Cabinet by April 2020 (or such other time as the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transport may instruct dependent upon publication dates) with a full options appraisal in light of all published guidance and framework documentation in connection with the DEFRA Resources and Waste Strategy together with the findings from the consultation process for future domestic recycling provision.

CB.59

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH ANNUAL REPORT 2019

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Health, Wellbeing and Adult Social Care presenting the Director of Public Health's Annual Report.

RESOLVED –

1. That the recommendations made by the Director of Public Health within the report be approved.
2. That North East Lincolnshire Council formally publish the Director of Public Health's annual report.
3. That the Director of Public Health's annual report be widely electronically distributed and promoted, with only a small number of hard copies produced.
4. That the Director of Public Health Annual Report 2019 be referred to the Union Board for consideration.

CB.60

ADULT SOCIAL CARE CHARGING POLICY REVIEW

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Health, Wellbeing and Adult Social Care setting out the recommendations of the Adult Social Care Charging Policy Scrutiny Working Group and seeking approval for public consultation to be undertaken on the areas of adult social care charging recommended by the working group.

Councillor Cracknell noted that the proposed consultation would now commence in January, 2020 due to the parliamentary election period.

RESOLVED –

1. That the recommendations of the adult social care charging policy scrutiny working group be accepted.
2. That the Director of Adult Services be instructed, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Health, Wellbeing and Adult Social Care, to commence a public consultation on adult social care charging as

recommended by the working group and that the outcome of this consultation be reported to Cabinet together with a recommended new adult social care charging policy.

CB.61

REGENERATION PARTNERSHIP REVIEW

Cabinet considered a report from the Leader of the Council outlining progress with the development and delivery of the implementation programme following the comprehensive review of the Council's Regeneration Partnership.

The Chair reported on the outcome of the Economy Scrutiny Panel's consideration of this report. While the panel had not made any recommendations to Cabinet, it did raise concerns on certain matters. As a result, appendix two of the report had been amended to include reference to one-to-one engagement with Members within the political awareness training. The panel had also enquired about the ward sponsor scheme that had previously been introduced by the partnership. It was confirmed that discussions were taking place to enhance the scheme. Concerns had also been raised about the response when Members raised issues within their wards. It was confirmed that Councillor Shreeve was currently leading a review of the council's customer portal to ensure that it was fit for purpose. Some concerns were also raised about the proposed governance arrangements. The Chair noted the intention for the Partnership Board to take a more strategic view on matters but commented that performance of the partnership would continue to be scrutinised by the Economy Scrutiny Panel via the new key performance indicators.

RESOLVED –

1. That the improvement plan be approved and responsibility be delegated to the Director of Economy and Growth to continue delivery of the improvement plan through appropriate governance arrangements.
2. That the Director of Economy and Growth be instructed to report on progress and performance to the Economy Scrutiny Panel on a regular basis.
3. That authority be delegated to the Director of Economy and Growth to negotiate and finalise any revised or additional contractual arrangements for the delivery of the Partnership in line with the improvement plan and as detailed in the report now submitted.
4. That the Chief Legal and Monitoring Officer be authorised to execute all documents in connection with the above.

CB.62

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 paragraphs 1, 3 and 4 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

CB.63

REGENERATION PARTNERSHIP REVIEW

Cabinet received the appendices to the report from the Leader of the Council outlining progress with the development and delivery of the implementation programme following the comprehensive review of the Council's Regeneration Partnership (DN.60 refers).

RESOLVED – That the appendices to the report now submitted (and the decision at DN.60) be noted.

CB.64

RECOMMISSIONING OF THE AUTISTIC SPECTRUM CONDITIONS OUTREACH SERVICE AND THE PHYSICAL DIFFICULTY OUTREACH SERVICE

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Children, Education and Young People on the recommissioning of the Autistic Spectrum Conditions Outreach Service and the Physical Difficulty Outreach Service, provided to schools to help them to support children with special educational needs and disabilities to access education and flourish in mainstream settings.

RESOLVED – That the recommendations laid out in the report be adopted so as to provide for the recommissioning of the Autistic Spectrum Conditions Outreach Service and the Physical Difficulty Outreach Service with appropriate delegations made.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 6.00 p.m.