



To be submitted to the Council at its meeting on 24th July 2025

CABINET

11th June 2025 at 5.00pm

Present: Councillor Jackson (in the Chair)
Councillors Cracknell, Dawkins, Harness, Hudson, Shepherd, Shreeve and S. Swinburn.

Officers in attendance:

- Carolina Borgstrom (Director of Economy, Environment and Infrastructure)
- Katie Brown (Director of Adult Social Care)
- Zoe Campbell (Senior Scrutiny and Committee Advisor)
- Royce Coates (Lead Communications Officer – People, Health and Wellbeing)
- Simon Jones (Assistant Director Law and Governance)
- Rebecca Taylor (Head of SEND and Inclusion)
- Sharon Wroot (Executive Director Place and Resources)

Also in attendance :

- Councillor Augusta

There was one member of the press and one member of the public present.

CB.1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN AND DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

It was noted that at the Annual General Meeting of the Council held on 22nd May 2025, Councillor Jackson had been appointed as the Chairman and Councillor Shreeve as the Deputy Chairman of Cabinet for the ensuing Municipal Year.

CB.2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received for this meeting.

CB.3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interests made from Members with regard to items on the agenda for this meeting.

CB.4 MINUTES

The minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on the 2nd April 2025 were agreed as a correct record.

CB.5 2024/25 COUNCIL PLAN YEAR END PERFORMANCE AND PROVISIONAL FINANCIAL OUTTURN REPORT

Cabinet considered a report from Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Assets providing key information and analysis of the Council's plan year end performance and provisional financial outturn review 2024/25.

RESOLVED –

1. That the content of the reports now submitted be noted and referred to all Scrutiny Panels for further consideration and oversight appropriate to the scope of the panel.
2. That the re-profiling requests in respect of the 2024/25 capital programme, as detailed in Appendix 1 (Pages 10-13) of the report now submitted, be approved.
3. That the revised Capital Programme for 2025/28, included in Appendix 1 (Pages 10-13) of the report now submitted, be approved.
4. That the year end reserves position, as detailed within Appendix 1 (Pages 71-72) of the report now submitted, be approved.
5. That the write off of debt to align with the year-end technical accounting treatment, including debts >£50,000 as detailed in Appendix 1 (Page 73) of the report now submitted, be approved.
6. That the use of reserves to address any significant variances arising from technical adjustments linked to the completion of the year end accounts be approved.

CB.6 EQUALITY REPORT

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Culture, Heritage and the Visitor Economy seeking approval of the annual equality report.

RESOLVED

1. That the Annual Equality Report set out in Appendix 1 of the report now submitted be approved.
2. That the Director of Adult Services be delegated authority to publish the Annual Equality Report in accordance with legislative requirements.

CB.7 LAND AND PROPERTY STRATEGIC ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN - 2025 TO 2028

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Assets seeking approval of the Land and Property Strategic Asset Management Plan covering the period 2025 to 2028.

RESOLVED –

1. That the adoption of the Strategic Asset Management Plan covering the period 2025 to 2028 be approved.
2. That the Assistant Director of Policy and Resources, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Assets, be delegated authority to oversee the development and implementation of an action plan to deliver the strategic asset management objectives set out in the plan.

CB.8 LOCAL ELECTRIC VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE FUND (CAPITAL) GRANT

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Housing, Infrastructure and Transport seeking approval to accept the Local Electric Infrastructure fund capital grant.

RESOLVED –

1. That the Director of Economy, Environment and Infrastructure, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Housing, Infrastructure and Transport be authorised to accept £1,431,000 of capital funding from the Office for Zero Emission Vehicles (OZEV) on behalf of the Council.
2. That the Director of Economy, Environment and Infrastructure, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Housing, Infrastructure and

Transport, be delegated authority to:

- a) finalise the terms of the funding arrangement with OZEV and receive the funds.
 - b) commence related procurement exercises to deliver projects within the programme and thereafter award, implement and deal with all matters reasonably arising.
3. That the Assistant Director Law and Governance (Monitoring Officer) be authorised to settle, complete and execute all documentation arising from the above.

CB.9 SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITY (SEND)– HIGH NEEDS CAPITAL GRANT ALLOCATION 2025-26

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Children and Education seeking approval to accept the Department for Education (DfE) high needs capital grant allocation 2025-26 for North East Lincolnshire.

RESOLVED –

1. That the Director of Children's Services, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Children and Education, be authorised to accept £2,513,893 of grant funding from the DfE on behalf of the Local Authority.
2. That the Director of Children's Services, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Children and Education, be delegated authority to develop plans and commence related consultation and procurement exercises to deliver the scheme to provide new places or improve existing provision where this benefits children and young people with high needs.
3. That the Director of Children's Services, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Children and Education, be authorised to carry out all procurement exercises in accordance with developed plans and thereafter award and implement arrangements with the ability to deal with all matters reasonably arising, aligning such exercises to the SENDAP Sufficiency plans.
4. That the Assistant Director Law and Governance (Monitoring Officer) be authorised to execute all documentation arising.

CB.10 SPLIT SITE SOLUTION FOR HUMBERSTON PARK SPECIAL SCHOOL

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Children and Education seeking authority to implement the recommendations of

approving the proposed Basic Need Capital Scheme Split Site Solution for Humberston Park Special School, which addressed the shortfall in provision and created additional school places.

RESOLVED –

1. That the Director of Children's Services, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Children and Education, be delegated authority to implement the captured Capital Basic Need Scheme to address the shortfall of special school pupil places to ensure that the Local Authority has sufficient and suitable school places to meet its statutory responsibility in accordance with the Education Act 1996 and to take any ancillary actions reasonably arising.
2. That the Director of Children's Services, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Children and Education and the Executive Director Place and Resources, be authorised to acquire and return to the Council's education stock, the former Nunsthorpe School on Sutcliffe Avenue, to create a split site provision for Humberston Park Special School.
3. That the Director of Children's Services, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Children and Education, be authorised to undertake a refurbishment programme of the Nunsthorpe site post-acquisition to create a dedicated secondary and sixth form campus for the cohort of Humberston Park Special School.
4. That the Director of Children's Services, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Children and Education, be authorised to commence any required procurement exercise in connection with such refurbishment and thereafter award, mobilise and implement the contract with enablement to deal with all issues reasonably arising.
5. That the Assistant Director Law and Governance be authorised to execute any documentation arising.

CB.11 ALTERNATIVE PROVISION TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Children and Education seeking approval to commence delivery of an Alternative Provision Transformation Project led by North East Lincolnshire Council.

RESOLVED

1. That the commencement and delivery of an Alternative Provision Transformation Project led by North East Lincolnshire Council,

enabling the commissioning of Alternative Provision to be completed in line with Department for Education guidance, including any required procurement exercise to establish new contracts, be approved.

2. That the Director of Children's Services, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder of Children and Education, be delegated authority to commence commissioning activities resulting from the project delivery, including the decommissioning of the current offer and undertaking of procurement exercises to enable new offer delivery and thereafter make award, settle all terms, and ensure that all reasonably ancillary actions are carried out to mobilise and implement the contract.
3. That the Assistant Director of Law and Governance (Monitoring Officer) be authorised to complete and execute all requisite legal documentation in relation to the matters outlined above.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 5.36 p.m.