



CABINET DECISION NOTICE

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At the meeting of the Cabinet held on 10th June 2020 the following matters were discussed. The decisions of Cabinet are set out below each item along with reasons for the decision and other options considered.

Present:

Councillor Jackson (in the Chair)

Councillors Cracknell, Fenty, Lindley, Procter, Shepherd, Shreeve and S. Swinburn.

DN.124 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence from this meeting.

DN.125 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Fenty declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in item DN.128 as director and shareholder of Grimsby Town Football Club should there be any discussion of the community stadium proposals contained within the Local Plan.

DN.126 MINUTES

The minutes of the special Cabinet meeting on 28th May, 2020 were agreed as a correct record.

DN.127 COVID-19 RECOVERY

Cabinet considered a report from the Joint Chief Executive setting out the arrangements in North East Lincolnshire to support recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic.

RESOLVED –

- 1. That the arrangements set out in the report now submitted be noted and supported.**
- 2. That the report now submitted be referred to the Communities Scrutiny Panel for consideration and any further recommendations.**
- 3. That a bi-monthly report regarding progress of recovery be received by Cabinet.**

REASON FOR DECISION – It is important to ensure that attention is being given to supporting residents, businesses and communities to look ahead and prepare for what will be a range of different ways of working, engaging and going about their daily lives – building economic resilience, community capacity and wider financial sustainability.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED – None.

DN.128 LOCAL PLAN REVIEW

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transport setting out a number of planning policy changes, which provided the background to a recommendation to approve the commencement of the review of the North East Lincolnshire Local Plan in accordance with the requirements of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) 2019, and publication of a revised Local Development Scheme.

RESOLVED – That authority be delegated to the Director of Economy and Growth, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transport, to:

- approve the commencement of the review of the North East Lincolnshire Local Plan;**
- agree to the principles that will guide the review of the Local Plan, and**
- approve and commence consultation to determine the full scope of the review.**

REASON FOR DECISION – In July 2018 the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was updated. This introduced the most significant change in national planning policy since the NPPF was first published in 2012, further changes were introduced in 2019.

The most significant change is the requirement that local plans be reviewed to consider whether they need to be updated within five years of being adopted. The North East Lincolnshire Local Plan was adopted in March 2018; a review must therefore be undertaken and be complete by March 2023.

It is considered prudent to commence the review now to address changes introduced by NPFF and maintain a robust local plan, as detailed in the report now submitted.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED – There is an option to delay commencing the review of the Plan, as the legal requirement is to have completed a review by March 2023, but this introduces substantial risk in relation to maintaining a five year housing land supply and the associated risk of losing control of where housing growth occurs.

DN.129 PROVISIONAL OUTTURN REPORT 2019/20

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources setting out key information regarding the Council's provisional financial outturn for 2019/20.

RESOLVED –

- 1. That the Provisional Financial Outturn Report be noted and be referred to scrutiny for consideration.**
- 2. That the drawdown of £1.9M earmarked reserves be approved to support the delivery of a balanced year end position.**
- 3. That the use of the management of change reserve be approved to address any other significant variances arising from technical adjustments linked to the completion of the year end accounts.**
- 4. That the slippage requests in respect of the 2019/20 capital scheme, as detailed in Annex 1 of the report now submitted, be approved.**
- 5. That the revised 2020/23 Capital Programme, as detailed in Annex 1 of the report now submitted, be approved.**

REASON FOR DECISION – The report is important in identifying to Cabinet both successes, to note progress, and areas of forecast revenue overspend and amendment to the capital programme where actions need to be taken. The area of focus commentary highlights the achievement of any milestones or potential risks affecting the delivery of outcomes.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED – None.

DN.130 ADOPTION OF THE STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transport seeking approval to adopt and publish the Statement of Community Involvement (2020) in accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2017.

RESOLVED – That the adoption and subsequent publication of the Statement of Community Involvement (2020), as set out in Appendix B of the report now submitted, be approved.

REASON FOR DECISION – All councils are required to review their statements of community involvement within five years of their adoption in order to meet the requirements of legislation.

A review of the current statement of community involvement which was adopted in 2013 has been undertaken. This included a period of public consultation. Following which, an updated statement of community involvement has been prepared which now requires formal adoption by the Council prior to its implementation.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED – None.

DN.131 SCHOOL TERM DATES 2021-2022

Cabinet considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Children, Education and Young People setting out the proposed School Year for 2021-2022 for all voluntary controlled and community schools within the local authority.

RESOLVED – That, subject to any changes during the COVID-19 emergency and emerging national guidance and policy, the proposed dates for voluntary controlled and community schools for the 2021–2022 academic year, as set out in Appendix A of the report now submitted, be approved.

REASON FOR DECISION –. The 1996 Education Act requires local authorities to determine school term dates annually. The proposal in Appendix A of the report was recommended as this would ensure as much uniformity as possible with our internal own admission authority schools and academies and neighbouring local authorities. Therefore, minimising where possible internal differences and any cross- boundary disruption.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED – None.