

MINUTES

CABINET

17:30 to 18:40 8 July 2015

Present: Councillors Waters (chair), Harris (vice chair), Driver, Kendrick,

Stonard and Thomas (Va)

Also present: Councillors Haynes and Lubbock

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Bremner

2. PUBLIC QUESTIONS / PETITIONS

There were no public questions or petitions.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

4. MINUTES

RESOLVED to agree the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 10 June 2015.

5. NORWICH AND HOMES AND COMMUNITIES AGENCY (HCA) STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP BUSINESS PLAN 2015-16

The leader of the council presented the report.

RESOLVED to approve the Business Plan for the Norwich and Homes and Communities Agency (HCA) Strategic Partnership 2015-16

6. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY – NORWICH BUSINES PLAN 2016-17

The leader of the council presented the report.

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The city growth and development manager explained plans to introduce an improved process of community engagement with regards to spending the 15% communities element of the CIL funds.

RESOLVED to:-

- a) recommend to council to approve the draft Norwich annual business plan for 2016-17;
- b) present the business plan for 2016-17 to the greater Norwich growth board (GNGB) to form the Norwich element of the greater Norwich annual growth programme; and,
- c) agree the proposed changes to the process for engaging communities about the neighbourhood element of CIL.

7. REVIEW OF THE CORPORATE RISK REGISTER

The cabinet member for resources and generation income presented the report.

RESOLVED to:-

- 1) note the updated corporate risks and the key controls in place and further actions planned to mitigate risks; and
- 2) approve the risk score of 20 for risk B1 public sector funding which exceeds the threshold for the council's appetite for risk.

8. REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2014-15 – YEAR END 2014-15

The cabinet member for resources and generation income presented the report.

RESOLVED to note the revenue outturn for the year 2014-15, and the consequent general fund and housing revenue account balances

9. REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2015-16 - PERIOD 2

The cabinet member for resources and generation income presented the report.

RESOLVED to note the financial position as at 31 May 2015 and the forecast outturn 2015-16

10. CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING 2014-15 - FINAL OUTTURN

The cabinet member for resources and generation income presented the report.

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RESOLVED to note the provisional outturns of the 2014-15 housing and non-housing capital programme budgets and estimated carry-forwards to 2015-16.

11. ESTABLISHMENT OF A LOCAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT COMPANY

The cabinet member for resources and generation income presented the report.

Following the announcement of the emergency budget, the chief executive officer explained that the central government decision to reduce social rents by 1% per annum for four years, before reverting back to the current level, would have a significant effect on the housing revenue account. She added that whilst she was unsure at this stage how the reduction would impact on plans for building new properties, it was government policy that the council would need to implement.

RESOLVED to:

- 1) approve the establishment of a local housing development company to build, sell and manage houses for sale and rent; and
- 2) delegate the detailed arrangements to allow the establishment of the company to the executive head of regeneration and development in consultation with the portfolio holders for resources and income generation and environment and sustainable development.

12. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration items *12 to *15 (below) on the grounds contained in the relevant paragraphs of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

*13. ESTABLISHMENT OF A LOCAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT COMPANY APPENDICES (PARAGRAPH 3)

The cabinet member for resources and generation income presented the report.

RESOLVED to note the appendices.

*14. MANAGING ASSETS – KEY DECISION (PARAGRAPH 3)

The cabinet member for resources and generation income presented the report.

RESOLVED to approve the disposal of the asset as described within this report.

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*15. COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER (PARAGRAPH 3)

The cabinet member for environment and sustainable development presented the report.

RESOLVED to authorise the executive head of regeneration and development to make a Compulsory Purchase Order under Section 226 (1) (a) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended by the Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act 2004) and the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 to secure the compulsory acquisition of the land shown in blue on the attached plan at Appendix 1 in accordance with the proposals set out in this report.

CHAIR