

Minutes

#### Cabinet

17:30 to 18:35 14 December 2016

Present: Councillors Waters, Harris, Bremner, Kendrick, Ryan, Stonard, and

Thomas (Va).

# 1. Apologies

No apologies for absence were received.

## 2. Public questions / petitions

There were no public questions or petitions.

#### 3. Declarations of interest

No declarations were made.

#### 4. Minutes

**RESOLVED** to agree the minutes of the meeting held on 16 November 2016.

## 5. Quarter 2 2016 - 17 performance report

The leader of the council presented the report.

**RESOLVED** to note progress against the corporate plan priorities.

## 6. Revenue budget monitoring 2016-17: Period 7

The cabinet member for resources and business liaison presented the report.

**RESOLVED** to note the financial position as at 31October 2016 and the forecast outturn 2016/17.

# 7. Treasury management strategy statement and annual investment strategy Mid-year review report 2016-17

The cabinet member for resources and business liaison presented the report.

**RESOLVED** to note the report and the treasury activity and the revised forecasts of outturn compared to the approved prudential indicators.

## 8. Counter Fraud Policies

The cabinet member for resources and business liaison.

#### **RESOLVED:**

- (1) to approve the revised counter fraud policies.
- (2) that the leader would write a note of thanks to:
  - (a) the audit committee;
  - (b) Duncan Wilkinson, Neil Hunter and Jonathan Tully of LGSS

## 9. Declaration of West Earlham Woods as a Local Nature Reserve (LNR)

The cabinet member for customer care and leisure presented the report, explaining that a communications strategy would include informing local people of what was happening. He added that the site would include new signage and a formal mountain bike trail.

The director of neighbourhoods explained that Marlpit Woods provided an excellent model which could be mirrored for West Earlham.

**RESOLVED** to approve the designation of the West Earlham Woods as Norwich's ninth Local Nature Reserve.

#### 10. Award of contract for structural repairs to council homes

The cabinet member for council housing presented the report.

**RESOLVED** to approve the award of the structural repair and improvement contract as follows:

Derby St Phase 3 & 4 – Structural repairs to external stairs and landings at Russell St, Clifton St, Napier Place, Old Palace Rd and Goodman Square

## 11. Award of event support services framework contract

The leader of the council explained that this item would now be taken at the January cabinet meeting as further information was required from contractors.

## 12. Adjustment to Housing Capital Programme

The cabinet member for resources and business liaison presented the report.

**RESOLVED** to approve the housing capital budget virements, set out in paragraphs 3-6.

## 13. Exclusion of the public

**RESOLVED** to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration items \*14 to \*15 (below) on the grounds contained in the relevant paragraphs of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

### \*14. Adjustment to Housing Capital Programme APPENDIX

The cabinet member for resources and business liaison presented the report.

**RESOLVED** to note the exempt appendix in support of the recommendation to approve the virement of funds to the Goldsmith Street new build social housing budgets.

#### \*15. Appropriation of Land for Planning Purposes

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

#### RESOLVED:

- (1) in accordance with Section 122 of the Local Government Act 1972,to appropriate land at Exeter Street, Norwich for planning purposes, as defined in section 226 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, as it is no longer required for the housing use for which it is currently held; and,
- (2) to authorise the director of regeneration and development to use delegated powers to deal with all matters incidental to the appropriation.