



CABINET



26th JANUARY 2022

NOTICE OF DECISIONS

Publication Date of this Notice: - Thursday, 27th January 2022.

Deadline Date for Call-in of any decision: - 8.45 a.m. Thursday, 3rd February 2022 up to that deadline the Interim Chief Executive shall call-in a decision for scrutiny (except for matters of urgent business and decisions for Council) if so, requested by the Chairman or any three Members of the Scrutiny Committee. If there is no call-in the decision will come into force on that deadline.

PART I **(Business taken in public)**

Agenda Item 2 (Minute No. 53) - Members' Interests:

No declarations were made.

Agenda Item 3 (Minute No. 54) - Minutes

The Minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 17.11.2022 were approved as a correct record.

Agenda Item 4 (Minute No. 55) - Forward Plan

To comply with regulations under the Localism Act 2011, the Leader presented a revised Forward Plan to the meeting which outlined key decisions likely to be taken within the next quarter of 2022. The Plan is reviewed each month.

Resolved: To note and approve the Forward Plan

Agenda Item 5 (Minute No. 56) - Improving Life Chances Partnership

Cabinet considered a report proposing the establishment of a partnership to share knowledge and best practice across partners with the aim of improving the life chances for those in areas of the Castle Point Borough who face significant challenges, establishing a range of projects to help address these challenges.

Resolved:

To approve the establishment of the Improving Life Chances Partnership ('the Partnership') as set out in the draft Terms of Reference, included as Appendix 1 to this report.

Agenda Item 6 (Minute No. 57) - South Essex Parking Partnership

The current 11-year term of the South Essex Parking Partnership (SEPP) Joint committee Agreement was to end on 31 March 2022. Cabinet considered the report seeking approval for a new offer from Essex County Council (ECC) to continue the operation into a new term under a new Joint Committee Agreement, commencing on 1 April 2022.

The proposed Agreement was considered by the SEPP Joint Committee on 28 October 2021. It unanimously supported its proposed terms and recommended that its constituent Councils formally approve them.

Resolved:

To agree the proposed terms of the new offer from Essex County Council to enter into a new South Essex Parking Partnership Joint Committee Agreement from 1 April 2022.

Agenda Item 7 (Minute No. 58) - Migration of Local Land Charges Register (LLC) to HM Land Registry (HMLR)

Cabinet considered the report advising of the programme for the migration of the Local Land Charges Register (LLC) to HM Land Registry (HMLR).

Resolved:

1. That Cabinet notes the programme for the migration of the Local Land Charges Register (LLC) to HM Land Registry (HMLR) and the associated transitional and new burdens payments to facilitate the move.
2. That Cabinet agree to request that the programme be either MLR or Supplier Delivery led, with full Local Authority support.

Agenda Item 8 (Minute No. 59) - Mid-Year Treasury Management Activity Report

Cabinet considered the Treasury Management mid-year activity report a requirement of the Council's reporting procedures. It summarised the Council's Treasury Management activity for the first six months of the current financial year. Supporting information was provided within Annexes A and B.

The report met the requirements of both the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management and the CIPFA Prudential Code for Capital Finance in Local Authorities. The Council was required to comply with both codes through regulations issued under the Local Government Act 2003.

Resolved:

To note the Treasury Management mid-year activity report for 2021/22.

Agenda Item 9 (Minute No. 60) - Planning Policy Update

Cabinet considered a report advising on the findings of the Authority Monitoring Report and Brownfield Land Register.

Resolved:

1. To note the findings of the Authority Monitoring Report 2020/21.
2. To note the updated Part 1 Brownfield Land Register December 2021.

Agenda Item 10 (Minute No. 61) - Transport Strategy for the East Consultation

Cabinet considered the report advising on the current consultation being undertaken by Transport East in respect of the draft Transport Strategy for the East and seeking the Cabinet's views on the proposals it contained, to inform the Council's consultation response.

Resolved:

1. The Cabinet note the draft Transport Strategy for the East, and the proposals contained within it.

2. The Cabinet approve the draft response to the consultation, subject to any comments arising from the Cabinet. The Cabinet authorise the Head of Place and Policy in consultation with the Leader of the Council to finalise the response to incorporate any comments arising from the Cabinet, and issue that response by the 30th January 2022 consultation deadline.

Agenda Item 11 (Minute No. 62) - Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule

In November 2019 decided to put in place a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) for Castle Point. A draft Charging Schedule was reported to the Cabinet in October 2021 and it was agreed to undertake consultation on the draft Charging Schedule (minute no. 34).

Cabinet considered a report setting out the outcomes of that consultation. A revised recommendation had been circulated referring this matter to Scrutiny Committee before consideration by Council. This follows comments from members of the PIP and CIIP Political Groups that they would appreciate additional time to examine the report and outcomes.

Resolved:

1. The Cabinet notes the outcomes of the consultation carried out pursuant to Regulation 16 of the CIL Regulations 2010.
2. To refer for scrutiny the following recommendation prior to consideration by Council to Scrutiny Committee: The Cabinet recommends to Council that it:
 - a. Approves the submission of the Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule attached as Appendix 2 to the Planning Inspectorate for the purposes of examination in accordance with the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended) and the Planning Act 2008.
 - b. Authorises the Head of Place and Policy, and suitably qualified officers and consultants as he approves, to represent the Council in the examination of the Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule, and undertake any work deemed necessary for that examination.
 - c. In the case that the examiner does not recommend changes to the rates proposed in the submission Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule, the CIL Charging Schedule attached as Appendix 2 is Approved for publication and to come into effect. The Chief Executive and Head of Place and Policy, in consultation with the Leader and Deputy Leader, are authorised to publish and set a date on which the Community Infrastructure Levy will come into effect, as soon as is practical after the receipt of the examiner's report.
 - d. In order to enable the Chief Executive and Head of Place and Policy to implement recommendation c, they are authorised, in consultation with the Leader and Deputy Leader, to make minor editorial changes to the Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule as necessary to indicate that it is the final version and will come into effect on a specified date.

- e. In the case that the examiner does recommend changes to the rates proposed in the submission Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule, require the Chief Executive and Head of Place and Policy to report back to Council on the examiners recommendations as soon as practical after its receipt, so that a further decision can be taken on the implementation of the Community Infrastructure Levy.
3. The Cabinet requests the Scrutiny Committee together with Place and Communities Policy & Scrutiny Committee to review in detail the Governance options for the expenditure of CIL monies and report back on a recommended arrangement.

Agenda Item 12 (Minute No. 63) - Matters to be referred from / to the Policy & Scrutiny Committees:

Climate Action Plan - to refer the Climate Action Plan to the Environment Policy & Scrutiny Committee to monitor and keep under review.

At the meeting of the Ordinary Council on 24.11.2021 the following Motion was approved "Castle Point Borough Council explore the use of an Article 4 direction in relation to relevant permitted development rights to ban the installation of non-porous driveways and hard standing without planning permission to help reduce surface water runoff into local roads in times of heavy rain."

The Motion was to be referred to the Place and Communities Policy & Scrutiny Committee for examination.

Agenda Item 13 (Minute No. 64) - Matters to be referred from / to the Standing Committees:

There were none

CONSULTATION

Item 11 Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule reported on the outcome of consultation and was considered in making the decision.

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