

Lancashire County Council

Cabinet

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 7th December, 2017 at 2.00 pm in Committee Room 'B' - The Diamond Jubilee Room, County Hall, Preston

Present:

County Councillor Geoff Driver CBE

Leader of the Council
(in the Chair)

Cabinet Members

County Councillor Albert Atkinson
County Councillor Michael Green
County Councillor Mrs Susie Charles
County Councillor Keith Iddon
County Councillor Peter Buckley
County Councillor Graham Gooch
County Councillor Shaun Turner

County Councillor Azhar Ali and County Councillor John Fillis were also in attendance under the provisions of Standing Order No. 19(4).

1. Apologies for Absence

None.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

There were no interests declared.

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 9 November 2017

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on 9 November 2017 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

13. Secondary Education in Burnley - Hameldon Community College

It was agreed that Item 13 would be taken as the first substantive item on the agenda.

Cabinet considered a report on the outcome of a consultation on a proposal on the future of Hameldon Community College, with implementation commencing from 31 August 2018. It was reported that, in accordance with statutory process, the authority was now required to consider the responses to the stage 1 consultation and decide whether to publish a Statutory Notice on the proposal.

Resolved: That

- i. consider the information in this report be noted;
- ii. the consultation arrangements undertaken and the responses received in respect of the authority's proposal; be noted
- iii. the authority publishes a Statutory Notice on its proposal to close Hameldon Community College, with implementation commencing from 31 August 2018.

4. Money Matters - Updated Medium Term Financial Strategy (2018/19 - 2021/22)

This report provides a brief update of the County Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy for the period 2018/19 to 2021/22 including budget proposals for Cabinet to consider.

Resolved: That:

- i. the revised Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) and funding gap of £157.786m covering the period 2018/19 to 2021/22 be noted.
- ii. the budget proposals set out in Appendix 'B', the outcomes of the consultation to be reported back to Cabinet for consideration in due course be approved for the purposes of consultation.
- iii. the budget proposals set out in Appendix 'C' be approved and officers be authorised to proceed with their implementation; and the 2018/19 budget be based upon these revenue decisions.

5. Procurement Report - Request Approval to Commence Procurement Exercises

Cabinet considered a report in line with the County Council's procurement rules, setting out a recommendation to approve the commencement of the following procurement exercises:

- i. Children and Young Peoples Support Services Framework Agreement.
- ii. Construction, New Build Properties Partnering Framework Agreement.
- iii. Penwortham By Pass Earthworks.

Resolved: That the commencement of the procurement exercises for the following areas be approved:

- i. Children and Young Peoples Support Services Framework Agreement.
- ii. Construction, New Build Properties Partnering Framework Agreement.
- iii. Penwortham By Pass Earthworks.

6. Highways and Transport Capital Programmes

Cabinet considered a report presenting amendments to the approved Highways and Transport Capital Programmes in order to meet emerging priorities and to respond to some unanticipated service demands.

Resolved: That the proposed amendments to the Highways Capital Programme as outlined in the report be approved.

7. (Various Roads, Accrington Town Centre, Hyndburn Borough) (Suspension and Various Parking Restrictions) Experimental Order 2017; (Various

Roads, Accrington Town Centre, Hyndburn Borough) (Suspension, One Way Traffic, Prohibition of Driving, Prohibition of Driving (Except Goods Vehicles) and Bus Lane) Experimental Order 2017

Cabinet considered the making permanent of two Experimental Traffic Regulation Orders on various roads in Accrington town centre associated with the opening of the George Slynn Bus Station and the decommissioning of the Peel Street Bus Station.

Resolved: That the making permanent of two Experimental Traffic Regulation Orders as set out in the report be approved.

8. Lancashire Resilient Route Network

Cabinet considered a report setting out a proposed Resilient Route Network (RRN), in accordance with Department for Transport (DfT) guidance.

It was noted that the proposed RRN was developed through the Lancashire Resilience Forum Transport Sub-group as well as with neighbouring Highway Authorities.

Resolved: That the adoption of the proposed Resilient Route Network as set out in the report be approved.

9. Lancashire County Council (Various Road, Chorley, Fylde, Pendle, Rossendale, South Ribble, West Lancashire and Wyre Borough) (Revocations and Various Parking Restrictions (June No1)) Order 201*

Cabinet received a report setting out details of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to address anomalies in restrictions and to clarify, simplify and tidy up a selection of traffic orders that have been identified in the Chorley, Fylde, Pendle, Rossendale, South Ribble, West Lancashire and Wyre Districts.

Resolved: That the proposals for parking restrictions on various lengths of road within the Chorley, Fylde, Pendle, Rossendale, South Ribble, West Lancashire and Wyre Districts as detailed within this report be approved.

10. Preston Park & Ride - Walton Le Dale

Cabinet received a report setting out the situation at the Walton-Le-Dale Park and Ride following the implementation of a short term, 6 month minimum cost bus service contract on 24 July 2017 and outlining progress on investigating options for the continuation of the service.

Resolved: That the extension of the short term bus service contract with Rotala Preston Bus for 2 months until 29 March 2018 be approved to allow for the service performance to be monitored for a sufficient time to be representative and for a full analysis and costing of the long term options for the service and Park and Ride site to be carried out for inclusion in a future report to Cabinet.

11. Transport Asset Management Plan (TAMP) - 2017 Data Refresh and Update

Cabinet received a report setting out a data refresh document for the TAMP, providing an update in relation to changes in service standards, performance and progress in a number of key areas.

Resolved: That the TAMP 2017 Data Refresh document be approved.

12. The Future of Carr Hill High School and Sixth Form Centre's Post 16 Provision

Cabinet considered a report following an approach to the authority by Carr Hill High School and Sixth Form Centre, Kirkham in relation to the future of its post 16 provision. The school has asked the local authority to start the formal statutory process to consult on the proposal to discontinue its post 16 sixth form provision, by permanently lowering its age range from 11-18 years to 11-16 years, with effect from 31 August 2019.

It was noted that, in accordance with the relevant regulations and guidance, the authority was now required to decide whether to publish a Statutory Notice on the proposal to consult on the future of this provision.

Resolved: That a Statutory Notice be published to begin the representation period on the future of the post 16 provision currently delivered by Carr Hill High School and Sixth Form Centre, Kirkham.

14. Lancashire Ambition School Improvement and Learning and Skills - A Vision for Educational Settings in Lancashire from the Earliest Years to Young People aged up to 25

Cabinet received a report presenting the 'Lancashire Ambition', a vision to secure the best educational and employment outcomes for all Lancashire children and young people for formal approval by Cabinet, setting out expectations and action to achieve this ambition starting with early years, school and post 16 learning and skills for ages 0-25.

Resolved: That

- i. Approve the Lancashire Ambition as set out in the report be approved
- ii. its use within all early years, educational, learning and skills settings where children and young people attend be agreed, and full support from all other partners and stakeholders be encouraged.

15. Awarding of Small Grants to Third Sector Groups which are Registered with the Children and Family Wellbeing Service, including Grants to individual young people

Cabinet considered a report outlining the work of the District Youth Councils in their role in recommending grant monies to third sector organisations registered with the Wellbeing, Prevention and Early Help Service.

Resolved: That the recommendations of the District Youth Councils on the applications for grants from third sector groups which are registered with the Wellbeing, Prevention and Early Help Service be approved as set out in the report.

16. Lancashire County Council's response to the National Government Clean Growth Strategy

Cabinet considered a response to the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy's proposed Clean Growth Strategy, which set out proposals for decarbonising all sectors of the UK economy, and explains how the country can benefit from low carbon opportunities, while meeting national and international commitments to tackle climate change.

Resolved: That the response to the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy's 'Clean Growth Strategy' as set out in the report be approved.

17. Suicide Prevention in Lancashire

Cabinet considered a report setting out the County Council's Suicide Prevention Plan and how it would contribute towards the target of a 10% reduction in suicides across the Lancashire and South Cumbria NHS Sustainability and Transformation Partnership (STP) footprint.

Resolved: That:

- i. the publication of the suicide audit report be noted.
- ii. the strategy and the work programme to achieve the national target of 10% reduction in suicides across Lancashire and South Cumbria STP by 2020 be approved.
- iii. the County Council's plan to contribute towards the STP suicide prevention plan be approved.

18. Urgent Decisions taken by the Leader of the County Council and the relevant Cabinet Member(s)

The urgent decisions taken by the Leader and other Cabinet Members were noted.

19. Urgent Business

There was no Urgent Business.

20. Date of Next Meeting

It was noted that the next meeting of Cabinet would take place on Thursday 18 January 2018 at 2pm at County Hall, Preston.

21. Notice of Intention to Conduct Business in Private

The Notice of Intention to Conduct Business in Private was noted.

22. Exclusion of Press and Public

Resolved: That Cabinet considered that, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public should be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that there would be a likely disclosure of

exempt information as defined in the appropriate paragraph of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 as indicated against the heading to the item.

23. Sale of Land off Bellefield Close, Lostock Hall, South Ribble

(Exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972. It was considered that in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interests in disclosing the information.)

Cabinet considered a report outlining proposals in relation to the sale of land off Bellefield Close, Lostock Hall.

Resolved: That the recommendations as set out in the report be approved.

24. Community Asset Transfers

(Exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972. It was considered that in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interests in disclosing the information.)

Cabinet considered a report outlining proposals in relation to premises subject to Community Asset Transfer requests.

Resolved: That the recommendations as set out in the report be approved, with the addition that the funding proposals set out in the report in relation to recommendation (v) be approved subject to confirmation of match funding from Lancaster City Council.

25. Greenbrook and Brookside Extra Care Schemes

(Exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972. It was considered that in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interests in disclosing the information.)

Cabinet considered a report outlining proposals in relation to the Greenbrook and Brookside Extra Care Schemes.

Resolved: That the recommendations as set out in the report be approved.

26. Proposals Relating to Libraries

(Exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972. It was considered that in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interests in disclosing the information.)

Cabinet considered a report outlining proposals in relation to Upholland Library.

Resolved: That the recommendations as set out in the report be approved.

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