

Lancashire County Council

Cabinet

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 7th October, 2021 at 2.00 pm in Committee Room 'C' - The Duke of Lancaster Room, County Hall, Preston

Present:

County Councillor Phillippa Williamson Leader of the Council
(in the Chair)

Cabinet Members

County Councillor Alan Vincent
County Councillor Peter Buckley
County Councillor Charles Edwards
County Councillor Graham Gooch
County Councillor Michael Green
County Councillor Jayne Rear
County Councillor Aidy Riggott
County Councillor Cosima Towneley
County Councillor Shaun Turner

County Councillor Lorraine Beaver were also in attendance under the provisions of Standing Order No. C14(2).

1. **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from County Councillor Azhar Ali OBE.

2. **Disclosure of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests**

None

3. **Minutes of the Meeting held on 2 September 2021**

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on 2 September 2021 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

4. **Corporate Priorities 2021-2025 and Communications Strategy 2021-2025**

Cabinet considered a report setting out the Corporate Priorities of the county council from 2021 to 2025 and the Communications Strategy from 2021 to 2025.

In presenting the report it was noted that the corporate strategy for the county council was approved by Full Council in February 2019 and the strategy remained the key document in describing the council's aims and ambitions.

To support the corporate strategy and the operational delivery of council services, a set of corporate priorities for the period 2021-2025 had been created and are set out at Appendix 'A' of the report. These priorities would identify the focus for the council, highlighting areas of potential collaboration between the county council, its partners and the residents of Lancashire to deliver the county council vision.

The priorities are supported by a communications strategy, set out at Appendix 'B' of the report. The strategy sets out how the county council will take a proactive approach to engage with our people, public and partners.

Subject to the approval of Cabinet, it was proposed that the Corporate Priorities and Communications Strategy be sent to Full Council for approval.

Resolved: That;

- i. The Corporate Priorities 2021-2025, as set out at Appendix 'A' of the report, be recommended to Full Council for adoption;
- ii. Subject to the approval of Full Council of (i) above, the Communications Strategy as set out at Appendix 'B' of the report, be approved; and
- iii. Full Council be asked to authorise the Chief Executive and Director of Resources, in consultation with the Leader of the County Council, to undertake an update of the corporate strategy, as set out in the report.

5. Cabinet Meetings - Questions for Cabinet

Cabinet considered a report that proposed a new "Questions for Cabinet" process to allow all councillors to ask questions at meetings of Cabinet, and further to allow councillors and members of the public to submit written questions to Cabinet and have the question and answer published.

Resolved: That, Full Council be asked to approve that the rules for Questions for Cabinet, as set out in Appendix 'A' of the report, be adopted.

6. Procurement Report

Cabinet considered a report seeking approval to commence the following procurement exercises in accordance with the county council's procurement rules:

- i. Provision of Extra Care Services at Tatton Gardens;
- ii. Pseudo dynamic purchasing system for the provision of children's home services;
- iii. Provision of an Early Support, Emotional Health and Wellbeing Service;
- iv. Acceptance and Composting of Green Waste;
- v. Provision of Equipment, Installation and Maintenance Services for Urban Traffic Management Control Systems;
- vi. Legionella Risk Assessment and Water Temperature Monitoring; and
- vii. Legionella Remedial Works Framework.

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

- i. Provision of Extra Care Services at Tatton Gardens;
- ii. Pseudo dynamic purchasing system for the provision of children's home services;
- iii. Provision of an Early Support, Emotional Health and Wellbeing Service;
- iv. Acceptance and Composting of Green Waste;
- v. Provision of Equipment, Installation and Maintenance Services for Urban Traffic Management Control Systems;
- vi. Legionella Risk Assessment and Water Temperature Monitoring; and
- vii. Legionella Remedial Works Framework.

7. Introduction of Carbon Reduction Plans in Major Contracts

Cabinet considered a report setting out proposals to adopt the Procurement Policy Note 06/21 from 1 January 2022. In presenting the report, it was noted that the Cabinet Office issued a procurement policy note (PPN 06/21) in June 2021 to all Central Government Departments, their External Agencies and Non-Departmental bodies to become effective from 30 September 2021. The procurement policy note requires that companies bidding for contracts above £5 million per annum, where the subject matter of the contract was related and proportionate, should have a Carbon Reduction Plan in place to support the Government's ambitious carbon reduction targets.

Resolved: That, the adoption of Procurement Policy Note 06/21 from 1 January 2022 be approved. This would require companies bidding for county council contracts with an anticipated contract value above £5 million per annum and where the procurement policy note measures are related and proportionate, to provide a Carbon Reduction Plan as part of the tender selection criteria.

8. Hanson Cement Liaison Committee - Appointment of County Council Representative

Cabinet considered a report proposing the addition of the Hanson Cement Liaison Committee to the county council's list of outside bodies and to appoint a county council representative to the committee.

Resolved: That;

- i. The Hanson Cement Liaison Committee be added to the list of outside bodies to which the county council makes appointments; and
- ii. To appoint County Councillor Sue Hind as the county council's representative to Hanson Cement Liaison Committee until the next county council elections in 2025.

9. Clifton Drive North Project - Parts of Including Segregated Cycle Track

Cabinet considered a report that proposed to alter the footway and in addition construct a segregated two-way cycle track between Highbury Road West and Squires Gate on Clifton Drive North in St Annes, short sections of shared use cycle track, relocation of bus stop clearways, removal of a pelican crossing and a reduction in speed limit.

Resolved: That, the following be approved:

- i. The alteration of the footway to use part of former carriageway width, construction of a segregated cycle track for cycles only, short sections of shared use cycle tracks, removal of footway on those short sections, the relocation of bus stop clearways, removal of a pelican crossing and reduction in speed limit, being some of the proposals shown in Appendix 'A' of the report;
- ii. The deferral of a decision on the Traffic Regulation Order introducing parking restrictions, which will be subject to further public consultation and to approve that work would be done to develop any revised parking proposals; and
- iii. The repurposing of various scheme budgets within the Road Safety and Cycle Safety programme to fund the county council's contribution towards the Clifton Drive North project.

10. Lancashire County Council (Various Roads, Various Locations, Chorley, Fylde, Pendle, Preston, Rossendale, South Ribble, West Lancashire and Wyre) (Revocations, Amendment to Permit Parking and Various Parking Restrictions, March 20 (No1)) Order 202*

Cabinet considered a report that proposed to make a Traffic Regulation Order to address anomalies in parking restrictions and to clarify, simplify and remedy a number of discrepancies that have been identified in the Pendle, Preston, Rossendale, and Wyre districts to allow for effective enforcement.

Resolved: That, the proposals for parking restrictions on the various lengths of road within the Chorley, Fylde, Pendle, Preston, Rossendale, South Ribble, West Lancashire and Wyre districts, as detailed within the report and as set out in the Draft Order (Appendix 'A2'), Plans (Appendices 'B' to 'I') with revised Site Notice (Appendix 'B1' 'G1' and 'H1') and Statements of Reasons (Appendices 'J' and 'J1'), be approved.

11. Proposed Traffic Calming Measures on Lightfoot Lane, Preston

Cabinet considered a report that proposed to install traffic calming measures consisting of 8 pairs of speed cushions and 1 junction table along Lightfoot Lane, from its junction with Eastway (B6241) to the west and its junction with Garstang Road (A6) to the east.

Resolved: That, the installation of the speed cushions and junction table as shown at Appendices 'A' and 'B' of the report, be approved.

12. Proposed Zebra Crossing, (A588) Hardhorn Road, Poulton-Le-Fylde

Cabinet considered a report that proposed to provide a zebra crossing and associated works on A588, Hardhorn Road, Poulton-Le-Fylde, to which objections had been received following a formal advertisement period.

In presenting the report, it was noted that a number of concerns had been raised by residents recently and Cabinet was therefore asked to defer the report to the next meeting of Cabinet, to allow for the concerns to be considered.

Resolved: That, the report be deferred to the next meeting of Cabinet.

13. South Lancaster to M6 Road Scheme: M6 Junction 33 Reconfiguration with Link Road, Spine Road serving Bailrigg Garden Village, and Park and Ride Facility

Cabinet considered a report seeking approval to take forward the South Lancaster to M6 Road Scheme by approving the route of the Spine Road to serve Bailrigg Garden Village; and a site for a Park and Ride facility, together with the use of compulsory purchase powers.

In presenting the report, it was noted that a number of surveys had been carried out on a wide area to determine the route to use. However, to progress the scheme, further surveys and assessments would need to be carried out on the proposed route. A detailed list of the surveys to be carried out would be circulated to the Cabinet following the meeting.

Resolved: That;

- i. The provision of a Spine Road serving a Bailrigg Garden Village (Appendix 'A') and site for a Park and Ride facility (Appendix 'B'), be approved;
- ii. The route, as shown on Appendix 'A' of the report, be approved and adopted as the route for Bailrigg Garden Village Spine Road;
- iii. The use of the county council's powers of Compulsory Purchase contained in the Highways Act 1980, and all and any other enabling legislation, to acquire all the necessary land and rights for the construction/improvement and future maintenance for the South Lancaster to M6 Road Scheme (including the reconfiguration of M6 Junction 33 and a new Link Road), be approved;
- iv. The preparation of Compulsory Purchase and Side Road Orders for the South Lancaster to M6 Road Scheme and other appropriate Notices, Orders and Schemes under the relevant statutes and the taking of all other procedural steps in connection with the making of the Orders and Schemes be authorised, prior to approval and sealing and making of the formal Orders and Schemes; and
- v. The acquisition by agreement in advance of Compulsory Purchase powers of all rights, interests, enabling arrangements to facilitate the South Lancaster to M6 Road Scheme, be approved.

14. Introduction of a Parent and Child Foster Care Allowances Rate and Revisions to the Staying Put Allowances

Cabinet considered a report proposing to introduce a Parent and Child Foster Care Allowance rate and revisions to the Staying Put allowances.

Resolved: That, the following be approved:

- i. The introduction of a Parent and Child Foster Care Allowance; and
- ii. The revisions to the Staying Put allowances.

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

It was noted that no urgent decisions had been taken by the Leader of the County Council since the last meeting of Cabinet.

16. Urgent Business

There were no items of Urgent Business to be considered.

17. Date of Next Meeting

It was noted that the next meeting of Cabinet would be held at 2pm on Thursday 4 November 2021 at County Hall, Preston.

18. Notice of Intention to Conduct Business in Private

Cabinet noted the Notice of Intention to Conduct Business in Private and that no representations had been received.

19. Exclusion of Press and Public

Resolved: That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item 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.

20. Works to Operational Premises

Exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972. The report contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). It is considered that in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

Cabinet considered a report outlining works to be undertaken on the county council's operational premises.

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

Angie Ridgwell
Chief Executive and
Director of Resources

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