

Lancashire County Council

Cabinet

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 4th May, 2023 at 2.00 pm in Committee Room 'B' - The Diamond Jubilee 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 Graham Gooch
County Councillor Michael Green
County Councillor Jayne Rear
County Councillor Aidy Riggott
County Councillor Rupert Swarbrick
County Councillor Cosima Towneley
County Councillor Shaun Turner

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from County Councillors Azhar Ali OBE and Lorraine Beavers.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

County Councillors Peter Buckley and Aidy Riggott declared a Non-Pecuniary interest in relation to Item 11 – Marketing Lancashire – Organisational Review, as they were both serving Directors on the Board of Marketing Lancashire.

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 6 April 2023

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on 6 April 2023 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

4. Questions for Cabinet

There was one question for Cabinet received.

A copy of the question and response is attached to the minutes.



5. Establishment of a Company Member Cabinet Committee

Cabinet considered a report that proposed the establishment of a Company Member Cabinet Committee.

Resolved: That

- i. The establishment of the Company Member Cabinet Committee with the membership as set out in the report and the Terms of Reference as set out at Appendix 'A' of the report, be approved; and
- ii. The Leader and the Cabinet Member for Resources, HR and Property (Deputy Leader) be appointed as Chair and Deputy Chair of the Committee respectively.

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. Energy Purchasing Strategy 2024-2028
- ii. Provision of Residual Waste Acceptance and Recovery/Disposal Service
- iii. Provision of a Community Equipment Service

It was noted that Appendix 'B' of this report was in Part II and appeared at Item No. 18 on the Agenda.

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

- i. Energy Purchasing Strategy 2024-2028
- ii. Provision of Residual Waste Acceptance and Recovery/Disposal Service
- iii. Provision of a Community Equipment Service

7. Additional Budget 2023 Highways Maintenance and Pothole Repair Funding, 2023 to 2024

Cabinet considered a report on an additional budget for the Highways and Pothole Repair Funding for 2023 to 2024.

It was noted that in the Chancellor of the Exchequer's Spring Budget 2023, an additional £5.122m had been made available for Lancashire as part of the announcement of £200m for highways maintenance for the financial year 2023/24. On 6 April 2023 Cabinet approved the addition of the funding to the Highway Block of the Capital Programme, and approved apportionment to the surface dressing and preventative find and fix programmes to allow works to be built into the 2023/24 contract and for work to start in April for these seasonal activities. This report will provide the details for the £0.522m additional surface dressing programme and the proposals for the remaining £3.835m which was currently unallocated.



Resolved: That the following be approved:

- i. The proposed apportionment of the Department for Transport's additional funds of £5.122m, made available in the 2023 Spring Budget, as detailed in the report and at Appendices 'A' and 'B' of the report.
- ii. That £0.795 million of funding as part of the project to redevelop the Samlesbury Enterprise Zone be moved between blocks in the Capital Programme and that the highways scheme detailed at Appendix 'C' of the report be approved.
- iii. The addition of the schemes as set out as projects at Appendix 'C' of the report to the 2023/24 New Starts Highway Maintenance programmes.

8. Bamber Bridge Bus Stop Upgrade

Cabinet considered a report that outlined proposals to implement bus stop improvements on Station Road between Lychfield Drive and Sergeant Road, Bamber Bridge.

Resolved: That the following be approved:

- i. The implementation of proposed bus stops clearways and associated bus stop infrastructure, as set out at Appendix 'A' of the report; and
- ii. The making of the order for introductions and revocations of No Waiting At Any Time restrictions and Limited Waiting Bays, as set out at Appendix 'B' of the report.

9. Cadley Causeway, Preston - Local Safety Scheme

Cabinet considered a report on the Local Safety scheme on Cadley Causeway, Preston. It was noted that as part of a Local Safety Scheme, the county council had proposed a series of road safety measures along Cadley Causeway, Mill Lane and Rossall Road, Fulwood, Preston. The report described the proposals and summarised the results of advertising and public consultation that had taken place.

Resolved: That the following be approved:

- i. Raised zebra crossing, Cadley Causeway, Preston; Speed cushions, Cadley Causeway, Preston; No waiting at any time, Cadley Causeway and Rossall Road, Preston; and the relocation of existing road safety camera, Cadley Causeway, Preston.
- ii. No loading, Mon-Fri, 08.00-09.30hrs and 15.00-16.30hrs, Cadley Causeway and Mill Lane, Preston.

10. Lancashire County Council (Barley Lane, Barley, Pendle Borough) (Prohibition Of Waiting, Limited Waiting, And Amendment To Permit Parking Provisions) Order 202*

Cabinet considered a report proposing to introduce Resident Parking to address significant and obstructive parking issues which had been identified as impacting on the residential area of central Barley Village.



It was noted that a late objection to the proposal had been received following the publication of the agenda.

Resolved: That the making of the Traffic Regulation Order setting out proposals for parking restrictions on the various lengths of road within Barley Village, as detailed within the report and as set out in Appendices 'A' and 'B' of the report, be approved.

11. The Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care Partnership and Integrated Care Strategy

Cabinet considered a report seeking approval for the revised Terms of Reference of the Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care Board and to endorse the Integrated Care Strategy, which was approved by the Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care Partnership in April 2023.

Resolved: That.

- i. The revised Terms of Reference for the Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care Partnership, as set out at Appendix 'A' of the report, be approved; and
- ii. The Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care Strategy, as set out at Appendices 'B' and 'C' of the report, be endorsed and supported.

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

There were no urgent decisions taken since the last meeting of Cabinet.

13. Urgent Business

There was one item of urgent business to be considered in relation to changes to Cabinet Portfolios and Responsibilities.

13(a) Changes to Cabinet Portfolio Responsibilities

Cabinet considered a report proposing to make permanent a number of the temporary changes to Cabinet Member responsibilities originally approved on 7 July 2022 and to make two additional changes to Cabinet Member responsibilities, as set out in the report. A number of other minor amendments were also proposed in order to clarify and streamline the portfolio descriptions.

It was noted that the report was urgent as it was essential, for continuity of county council business, that revised Cabinet Member portfolios were approved and were in place at the earliest opportunity.

Resolved: That the following be approved:

i. The temporary changes to Cabinet Member responsibilities approved on 7 July 2022 be made permanent with the exception of responsibility for the



- Youth Justice Service which will return to the Cabinet Member for Children and Families:
- ii. Responsibility for Early Years and Children will move from the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills to the Cabinet Member for Children and Families:
- iii. Responsibility for School Transport will move from the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills to the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport; and
- iv. The minor changes to clarify and streamline portfolios, as set out in the report.

14. Date of Next Meeting

It was noted that the next meeting of Cabinet would be held at 2pm on Thursday, 8 June 2023 at County Hall, Preston.

15. 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.

16. 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.

17. Marketing Lancashire – Organisational Review

Exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972. The report contained information relating to any individual, information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual, and 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 on the organisational review of Marketing Lancashire.

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

18. Appendix 'B' of Item 6 - Procurement Report

Exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972. The report contained 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.



Resolved: That Appendix 'B' to Item 6 – Procurement Report, be noted.

19. Waiver of the Council's Procurement Rules - Virgin Media Dark Fibre

Exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972. The report contained 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 to waive the county council's procurement rules in relation to Virgin Media Dark Fibre.

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

Angie Ridgwell Chief Executive

County Hall Preston





Questions to Cabinet

Responses for the Cabinet Meeting on 4 May 2023

1.	Questioner: County Councillor Jeff Couperthwaite	Respondent: County Councillor Rupert Swarbrick
	It is great news for Bamber Bridge residents that we are to get two Shiny new Bus stops close to our Railway Station. Could you please explain the rationale however, as to why we need two extra stops rather than replacing existing ones? Residents feel we have enough bus stops.	•
		The bus stops also include installing raised kerbs to provide level access for wheelchair/buggy users. Additionally, installing clearway road markings helps prevent vehicles from obstructing bus access, helping to comply with the Equality Act 2010, and improving egress / traffic flows for public transport.