Lancashire County Council

Cabinet

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 1st April, 2021 at 2.00 pm held as a Virtual Teams Meeting

Present:

County Councillor Geoff Driver CBE Leader of the Council (in the Chair)

Cabinet Members

County Councillor Keith Iddon

County Councillor Albert Atkinson

County Councillor Michael Green

County Councillor Phillippa Williamson

County Councillor Peter Buckley

County Councillor Graham Gooch

County Councillor Shaun Turner

County Councillor Azhar Ali OBE and County Councillor John Fillis were also in attendance under the provisions of Standing Order No. C14(2).

1. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

None.

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 4 March 2021

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on 4 March 2021 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

4. 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 Apprenticeship Levy Training and Assessment Providers; and
- ii. Provision of a Provider List for Break Time, Day Time and Night Time Services for children and young people with disabilities.

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

- i. Provision of Apprenticeship Levy Training and Assessment Providers; and
- ii. Provision of a Provider List for Break Time, Day Time and Night Time Services for children and young people with disabilities.

5. Adelaide Street, Olive Boys School - Loading Bay

Cabinet considered a report proposing a Traffic Regulation Order to allow for a permanent loading bay on Adelaide Street in order to support local businesses.

Resolved: That, the introduction of a Traffic Regulation Order and installation of signage to introduce a permanent loading bay on Adelaide Street, Preston, be approved.

6. Approval for the Introduction of Bus Stop Clearway, Liverpool Road, Penwortham

Cabinet considered a report seeking approval for the introduction of a Traffic Regulation Order along Liverpool Road, Penwortham, in order to provide marked Bus Stop Clearways at an existing bus stop location as shown at Appendix 'A' of the report.

Resolved: That, the proposals for the Bus Clearway along Liverpool Road, Penwortham as shown at Appendix 'A' of the report, be approved.

7. Highways Capital Programme - Proposed Additional Schemes

Cabinet considered a report seeking approval to fund additional schemes of the highways capital programme up to the value of the approved programme allocations.

Resolved: That;

- i. The proposed scheme lists set out at Appendices 'C' to 'I' of the report, be approved;
- ii. Approval be given for the Local Deterioration Fund to be top sliced to create a £0.619 million contingency to allow flexibility to deal with any justifiable emerging issues identified with the proposed programme or at other locations; and
- iii. The Director of Highways and Transport be authorised to approve and publish the proposed schemes/changes in consultation with the Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport.

8. Institute Street, Padiham - Highway Improvement Scheme, Burnley Road - Relocation of Bus Stop

Cabinet considered a report detailing the need for an existing permanent bus stop to be moved approximately 9 metres further east along Burnley Road, Padiham as part of a proposed junction visibility improvement scheme at Institute Street.

Resolved: That, the construction of the new permanent bus stop, replacing the existing bus stop on Burnley Road, Padiham, be approved.

9. Capital Strategy for Schools – Condition Led Capital Investment Programme 2021/22

Cabinet considered a report setting our proposals for the allocation of schools capital funding, to address a further phase of high priority building condition repairs on Community, Voluntary Controlled and Maintained Schools in Lancashire.

It was noted that the financial implications of the report were set out at Appendix 'A' of the report and were listed at item 18, in the "Part II" section of the agenda.

Resolved: That, approval be given for the proposed list of maintenance schemes in Lancashire schools, detailed at Appendix 'A' of the report, totalling £9.850m, as a further phase of high priority school repairs, subject to the grant settlement being £10.000m.

10. Community Safety Agreement

Cabinet considered a report setting out the annual refresh of the Lancashire Community Safety Agreement, which had been developed in collaboration with community safety leads, to reflect the issues and threats from crime and anti-social behaviour evidenced in the current strategic assessment.

In presenting the report, it was clarified that the October 2021 date on page 74 of the agenda, referred to the assessment stage of the process and the next Community Safety agreement would be developed during 2022.

Cabinet also expressed thanks to all the officers who have helped the most vulnerable people in the communities, especially over the past year.

Resolved: That, the Community Safety Agreement as set out at Appendix B of the report be noted and Full Council be asked to approve it.

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

In noting the three urgent decisions listed on the agenda, it was also noted that a further two urgent decisions had been taken following the agenda's publication. These two urgent decisions were in relation to:

- M55 Heyhouses Link Road
- <u>Subsidy Control: Designing a New Approach for the UK Lancashire County</u> Council Response to Consultation

Resolved: That the five urgent decisions taken by the Leader of the County Council and relevant Cabinet Members, since the last meeting of Cabinet, be noted.

12. Urgent Business

There were no items of Urgent Business to be discussed at the meeting but it was noted that there would be an urgent report in relation to the Community Renewal Fund to be considered under the council's urgent procedures soon after the meeting.

Stephen Young, the Executive Director for Growth, Environment, Transport and Community Services gave a verbal update on the report and it was noted that the report was in the process of being cleared by the council's finance and legal officers. Once cleared, it was expected that the report would be submitted to the Leader of the County Council and Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Environment and Planning for consideration on behalf of Cabinet.

13. Date of Next Meeting

It was noted that the next meeting of Cabinet would be held at 2pm on Thursday 10 June 2021, after the county council elections.

14. 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.

15. 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.

16. 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.

17. Economic Development Investment

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Cabinet considered a report on Economic Development investment within Lancashire.

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

18. Appendix 'A' of Item 9 - Capital Strategy for Schools - Condition Led Capital Investment Programme 2021/22

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Resolved: That, Appendix A of Item 9 - Capital Strategy for Schools - Condition Led Capital Investment Programme 2021/22, be noted.

19. Samlesbury Aerospace Enterprise Zone

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Cabinet considered a report on the Samlesbury Aerospace Enterprise Zone.

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

20. Salix Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme Grant

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Cabinet considered a report on the Salix Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme Grant.

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

Angie Ridgwell
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