BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN AND WEST NORFOLK

CABINET DECISION SHEET

Decision Sheet from the Meeting of the Cabinet held on Tuesday, 7 October 2014 at 5.30pm in the Committee Suite, King's Court, Chapel Street, King's Lynn

PRESENT: Councillor B Long (Vice Chairman in the Chair)
Councillors A Beales, A Lawrence, Mrs E Nockolds,
D Pope and Mrs V M Spikings.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors N J Daubney (Chairman) and Lord Howard

1. <u>SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER 36 - RECORDING OR BROADCASTING OF MEETINGS</u>

RESOLVED: That in order to comply with Statutory Instrument 2014 no 2095, The Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2011, Standing Order 36 be suspended for the duration of the meeting.

2. MINUTES

RESOLVED: The Minutes of the Meeting held on 10 September 2014 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

3. **URGENT BUSINESS**

There was no urgent business.

4. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

5. CHAIRMAN'S CORRESPONDENCE

None.

6. MEMBERS PRESENT PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 34

None

7. **CALLED IN MATTERS**

Cabinet was informed that a delegated decision taken by Councillor Pope on the issue of increasing the number of 20 minute free parking bays had been called in. The issue would be considered at the next meeting of the Cabinet Scrutiny Committee.

8. **FORWARD DECISIONS LIST**

The forward decision list was noted.

9. MATTERS REFERRED TO CABINET FROM COUNCIL BODIES

i) Resources and Performance Panel: 30 September 2014

The Panel made the following recommendations to Cabinet, which were dealt with when Cabinet considered the reports on the agenda:

RP63: <u>Exempt Cabinet Report: Major Housing Scheme – Results Of Procurement</u>

RESOLVED: That the Panel support the recommendations to Cabinet as set out in the report.

RP64: Cabinet Report: Corporate Peer Challenge

RESOLVED: That the Panel support the recommendations to Cabinet as follows:

Cabinet is recommended to note the final report of the LGA Peer Challenge Team and to endorse the actions of Management Team to respond to the report's conclusions.

ii) Regeneration Environment and Community Panel: 1 October 2014

The Panel made the following recommendations to Cabinet, which were dealt with when Cabinet considered the reports on the agenda:

REC57: <u>Cabinet Report – Compulsory Purchase Order – Land Rear Of Blackfriars Road, King's Lynn</u>

RESOLVED: That the Regeneration, Environment and Community Panel support the recommendations to Cabinet as follows:

That the Executive Director (Environment and Planning), in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Development, be authorised to promote a Compulsory Purchase Order for the acquisition of Land Rear of 7 Blackfriars Road, King's Lynn, Norfolk, PE30 1NR ("the Order Land"), with a view to its subsequent disposal.

To authorise the Legal Services Manager and Monitoring Officer to make minor amendments, modifications or deletions to the CPO schedule of interests and map, should this be necessary, and to finalise the making and submission of the CPO, including promoting the Council's case at public inquiry, if necessary.

Subject to confirmation by the Secretary of State to authorise the Legal Services Manager and Monitoring Officer to secure full title to and possession of the Order Land as appropriate by:

- i. Serving notice of confirmation of the CPO on all interested parties;
- ii. Serving notice of intention to execute a General Vesting Declaration:
- iii. Executing the General Vesting Declaration;
- iv. Serving Notices to Treat and/or Entry as appropriate.

Subject to confirmation by the Secretary of State to authorise the Legal Services Manager and Monitoring Officer to enter into an Indemnity Agreement which (inter alia) indemnifies the Council in respect of its costs in promoting the Order, including any compensation liabilities arising from the exercise of the compulsory purchase powers.

To authorise the Legal Services Manager and Monitoring Officer to dispose of the Order Land to such person, in such manner and subject to such conditions as appears to be expedient, in order to secure the best use of that the Order Land and any buildings or works which are to be constructed or carried out on it (whether by themselves or by any other person).

That the Executive Director (Environment and Planning) approves that the proceeds from the sale of the property is used for further acquisitions.

REC58: Cabinet Report – King's Lynn Town Centre Action Plan

RESOLVED: That the Regeneration, Environment and Community Panel support the recommendations to Cabinet, with a slight amendment to recommendation two (in italics below) as follows:

- 1. That the responses to the consultation be noted.
- 2. That the King's Lynn Town Centre Action Plan is approved, subject to consideration of the comments of the Regeneration, Environment and Community Panel.

10. **REPORTS**

1) Corporate Peer Challenge	RESOLVED: That the final report
(page 7)	of the LGA Peer Challenge Team be
	noted and the actions of Management
	Team to respond to the report's
	conclusions be endorsed.
	Reason for Decision
	To enable the Council to consider and

	respond to the findings of the LGA Corporate Peer Challenge.
2) King's Lynn Town Centre Action Plan (page 15)	RESOLVED: 1) That the responses to the consultation be noted.
	2) That the King's Lynn Town Centre Action Plan be approved.
	Reason for Decision
	The purpose of the King's Lynn Town Centre Action Plan is to bring together the priorities and plans of the stakeholders for the town centre. By doing this it will create a holistic approach for the town centre and enhance its ability to attract more people to the town centre from both the existing catchment and the wider visitor market. The comments of the REC Panel were noted.
3) Compulsory Purchase Order – Land Rear of Blackfriars Road King's Lynn (page 45)	RECOMMENDED: 1) That the Executive Director (Environment and Planning), in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Development, be authorised to promote a Compulsory Purchase Order for the acquisition of Land Rear Of 7 Blackfriar's Road, King's Lynn, Norfolk, PE30 1NR ("the Order Land"), with a view to its subsequent disposal.
	2) That the Legal Services Manager be authorised to make minor amendments, modifications or deletions to the CPO schedule of interests and map, should this be necessary, and to finalise the making and submission of the CPO, including promoting the Council's case at public inquiry, if necessary.
	3) That subject to confirmation by the Secretary of State the Legal Services Manager be authorised to secure full title to and possession of the Order Land as appropriate by:
	i. Serving notice of confirmation of the CPO on all interested parties;

- ii. Serving notice of intention to execute a General Vesting Declaration;
- iii. Executing the General Vesting Declaration;
- iv. Serving Notices to Treat and/or Entry as appropriate.
- 4) That subject to confirmation by the Secretary of State the Legal Services Manager be authorised to enter into an Indemnity Agreement which (inter alia) indemnifies the Council in respect of its costs in promoting the Order, including any compensation liabilities arising from the exercise of the compulsory purchase powers.
- 5) That the Legal Services Manager be authorised to dispose of the Order Land to such person, in such manner and subject to such conditions as appears to be expedient, in order to secure the best use of that the Order Land and any buildings or works which are to be constructed or carried out on it (whether by themselves or by any other person).
- 6) That the Executive Director (Environment and Planning) approves that the proceeds from the sale of the property is used for further acquisitions.

Reasons for Decision

Council considers that the compulsory purchase of the Order Land facilitate the carrying will out development in accordance with the Scheme, which will support the existing use of 7 Blackfriar's Road, King's Lynn, Norfolk, PE30 1NR in accommodating and providing for the needs of those struggling with independent living.

The Scheme will have a positive contribution to the character and appearance of the street scene and surrounding area and promote the social and environmental well-being of the area for the reasons explained in this report

EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED: "That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act."

4) Major Housing Development – Preferred Bidder Selection (page 59)

RECOMMENDED: That the following be agreed:

- (1) Approve Lovell as the preferred bidder
- (2) Approve Lovell's Variant B as the preferred bid
- (3) Approve the pre works identified by Lovell, totalling £158,000 to allow the scheme to progress to timescale at the Councils risk.
- (4) Require a further report to Cabinet by January 2015 to consider if final approval for the whole scheme can be given.

Reason for Decision

To allow the Major Housing project to enter the development phase which will in turn result in the original aims of the project, listed below to be realised.

- To achieve significant delivery of sustainable housing over a 4-5 year period, which must be fit for purpose for a minimum of 40 years.
- To achieve a commercial return for the Council (through capital and/or revenue receipts).
- To stimulate economic activity in the local area through direct and indirect activity.
- To encourage apprenticeships.