

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN & WEST NORFOLK

CABINET DECISION SHEET

**Decision Sheet from the Meeting of the Cabinet held on
Friday, 24th June, 2022 at 10.00 am in the Council Chamber, Town Hall,
Saturday Market Place, King's Lynn PE30 5DQ**

PRESENT: Councillor S Dark (Chair)
Councillors R Blunt, A Dickinson, P Kunes, B Long, G Middleton and S Sandell

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor A Lawrence

1 URGENT BUSINESS

None

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors Long and Middleton declared a non pecuniary interest in the Levelling up Fund Application in item 6 as Council appointed Directors of the Alive Leisure Board. They did not vote on the recommendations for that report.

Councillor Dark declared a non pecuniary interest as a family group user of Alive venues.

3 CHAIR'S CORRESPONDENCE

The Chair drew attention to correspondence he had received from James Wild MP and Hunstanton Town Council both of whom had written in support of the Council's Levelling Up Bid.

4 MEMBERS PRESENT UNDER STANDING ORDER 34

Under standing order 34 Councillors A Kemp and M de Whalley attended for items 6, 7 and 8

5 MATTERS REFERRED TO CABINET FROM OTHER BODIES

The Regeneration and Development Panel on 23 June had considered the reports on the agenda.

The Panel had supported the recommendations on items 6 and 7, and recommended an amendment to item 8. These were discussed with each item on the agenda.

6 LEVELLING UP FUND APPLICATION

RESOLVED: 1) That the submission of the Oasis project under round 2 of the Levelling Up Fund as set out in the report be approved.

2) That delegated authority be granted to the Chief Executive and S151 Officer, in consultation with the Leader, Portfolio Holder for Development & Regeneration and Portfolio Holder for Finance to agree the final application to be submitted to government by 6 July 2022.

3) That the budget as set out in the report be approved to undertake further due diligence and development of project delivery requirements for the Oasis project in the period up to the outcome of the bid which is expected at the end of 2022.

4) That subject to the successful outcome of the bid, a separate report be brought to Cabinet to approve the final scope of the Oasis project and to amend the capital programme for 2022-26 to incorporate the match funding and delivery requirements of the project.

Reason for Decision

To secure investment in the borough to support the ambitions to level up West Norfolk

The portfolio holder change to recommendation 2 reflects the interests declared in the meeting.

7 NORFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL LEVELLING UP BID

RESOLVED: 1) That the application being made by Norfolk County Council (appendix 1 to the report) be supported, and a letter of support be provided.

2) That in principle support to provide a land value contribution to the scheme be given, subject to a further report to cabinet once details of the scheme and land required is confirmed, if the application by Norfolk County Council is successful.

Reason for Decision

To secure investment to deliver transformation improvements at the Southgates and the Gyratory which are key gateways into King's Lynn and to support delivery of priorities set out in the King's Lynn Town Investment Plan

8 KING'S LYNN TOWN DEAL GUILDHALL & CREATIVE HUB BUSINESS CASE

RESOLVED: 1) That the draft Business Case as set out in appendix 1 to the report be endorsed.

2) That delegated authority be granted to the Chief Executive, the Deputy Leader and the Portfolio Holder for Development and Regeneration to approve the final Business Case in their capacity as representatives of the Council on the Town Deal Board.

3) That delegated authority be granted to the Section 151 Officer to approve the final Business Case and sign the Business Case Summary Document for submission to government in the Council's capacity as Accountable Body for the Town Deal.

Reason for Decision

To approve the Business Case as the Accountable Body for the Towns Fund to ensure the funding is secured to deliver the Guildhall & Creative Hub project; to deliver the investment priorities in the Town Investment Plan for King's Lynn and support the long term economic prosperity of the town.

Cabinet did not accept the additional recommendation from the Panel at this stage as the information would be provided further down the line, once the business case had been submitted, as the timeframes for submission were exceedingly tight.

The meeting closed at 11.20 am