BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN & WEST NORFOLK

CABINET DECISION SHEET

Decision Sheet from the Meeting of the Cabinet held on Tuesday, 24th September, 2019 at 3.30 pm in the Council Chamber - Town Hall, Saturday Market Place, King's Lynn PE30 5DQ

PRESENT: Councillors B Long (Chair), I Devereux, P Gidney, P Kunes, A Lawrence, G Middleton and E Nockolds.

PRESENT UNDER STANDING ORDER 34: Councillors J Moriarty, C Morley and D Pope.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor M de Whalley.

OFFICERS:

Alan Gomm – LDF Manager Alex Fradley – Principal Planner Lorraine Gore – Chief Executive Matthew Henry – Assistant Director

1 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED: The Minutes of the meeting held on 6 August 2019 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

2 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Blunt.

3 URGENT BUSINESS

There was none.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There was none.

5 **CHAIR'S CORRESPONDENCE**

There was none.

6 MEMBERS PRESENT UNDER STANDING ORDER 34

The following Councillors attended under Standing Order 34 for the items shown:

Councillor Moriarty – Items 14, 15 and 16 Councillor Morley – Item 14 Councillor Pope – Items 10, 11, 12 and 15

7 CALLED IN MATTERS

None.

8 FORWARD DECISIONS

The forward decision list was noted.

9 MATTERS REFERRED TO CABINET FROM OTHER BODIES

There was none.

10 **HOUSING DELIVERY TEST - ACTION PLAN**

RESOLVED: That the Housing Delivery Test Action Plan be endorsed.

Reason for Decision:

To ensure that the Borough Council complies with its duties as set out within the NPPF and PPG. The Housing Delivery Test Action Plan sets out a series of appropriate actions for the Borough Council to consider and explore in the short, medium and long term in an attempt to increase housing supply and delivery.

11 NORFOLK STRATEGIC PLANNING FRAMEWORK

RESOLVED: 1) That the Norfolk Strategic Planning Framework and Statement of Common Ground 2019 and the agreements contained therein be endorsed.

2) That the Borough Council supports the commitment to continued cooperative working and periodic review of the framework and in particular would support further collective work in relation to climate change.

Reason for Decision:

In order to fulfil the Borough Council's duty to co-operate with neighbouring authorities in undertaking its planning policy work.

12 <u>ENDORSEMENT OF NEW ANGLIA LEP LOCAL INDUSTRIAL</u> <u>STRATEGY FOR NORFOLK & SUFFOLK</u>

RESOLVED: That the draft Norfolk and Suffolk Local Industrial Strategy be supported and endorsed.

Reason for Decision:

To demonstrate support for this key strategy for the New Anglia LEP area.

13 **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 items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

14 **CORN EXCHANGE - TENDERS**

RESOLVED: Cabinet authorised the award of a contract for the main works to the cinema auditoria, and to delegate authority to the Executive Director, Commercial Services and Chief Executive, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Culture, Heritage and Health, to add to that contract further works on the ground floor toilets, foyer and/or front façade, subject to funding being agreed from other existing budgets.

Reason for Decision: To ensure the cinema project is delivered and can start during the period of Corn Exchange closure from 11th January to 5th March 2020.

15 **BOAL QUAY - GALLERY PROPOSAL**

RECOMMENDED: 1) That the option to develop the site as a cultural offer be accepted which delivers the riverfront vision "King's Lynn Riverfront becomes a vibrant river edge quarter threaded into the fabric of the existing town".

- 2) That delegated authority be granted to the Executive Director Commercial Services and the Assistant Director, Property and Regeneration in consultation with the Leader and Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Culture, Heritage and Health to agree draft heads of terms and report back to Cabinet.
- 3) Officers to negotiate the removal of the boat from the area.

Reason for Decision:

To move significantly forward with the delivery of the vision for King's Lynn Riverfront.

16 NAR OUSE ENTERPRISE ZONE IMPLEMENTATION AND DELIVERY

RECOMMENDED: 1) That delegated authority be granted to the Council's Assistant Director Regeneration & Property, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Project Delivery to enter into the contract for the construction of the speculative units, the road (and other) infrastructure, the land disposal and the grant funding as outlined within the report.

- 2) That the amendment of the Council's Capital Programme to accommodate the proposals as set out within this report be agreed; and
- 3) That the Council's retained Legal Services provider be authorised to draft and complete all necessary contract documentation in respect of the speculative units, road (and other) infrastructure, grant funding and land disposal set out within this report.

Reason for Decision:

The Nar Ouse Business Park Enterprise Zone (NOEZ) will contribute significantly to the Council's regeneration ambitions for King's Lynn and West Norfolk. Investment in the NOEZ will help to stimulate business growth and potentially attract inward investment.

17 HERITAGE ACTION ZONE - CHAPEL STREET

RECOMMENDED: 1) That delegated authority be granted to the Assistant Director Regeneration & Property Services in consultation with the Portfolio Holder Project Delivery, the Executive Director Commercial Services and the Chief Executive, to award the contract for Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) stages 1 to 3 to the preferred planning and architectural consultancy team identified within the report.

- 2) That delegated authority be granted to the Assistant Director Regeneration & Property to acquire the property identified within this report in consultation with the Portfolio Holder Project Delivery, the Executive Director Commercial Services and the Chief Executive. The Capital Programme will need to be amended to accommodate the proposed purchase.
- 3) That the Council's retained Legal Services provider be authorised to draft and complete all necessary contract documentation in respect of the architectural and planning consultancy services related to the site, and the acquisition of the property mentioned within the report.

Reason for Decision:

This proposal fits well with the Council's regeneration agenda and the potential for contributing to the delivery of new housing development within the borough.

The meeting closed at 5.10 pm