

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN & WEST NORFOLK

CABINET DECISION SHEET

Decision Sheet from the Meeting of the Cabinet held on Tuesday, 7th January, 2020 at 3.30 pm in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Saturday Market Place, King's Lynn PE30 5DQ

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

1 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED: The Minutes of the meetings held on 12 November and 6 December 2019 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

2 **URGENT BUSINESS**

None

3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

4 **CHAIR'S CORRESPONDENCE**

The Chair reported receipt of an email drawing attention to the environmental implications of the Contract Standing Orders item and encouraging members to take account of them.

5 **MEMBERS PRESENT UNDER STANDING ORDER 34**

None.

6 **CALLED IN MATTERS**

The Member delegated decision on the Norfolk County Council Minerals and Waste Local Plan Review (M&Wlpr) – Preferred Options Consultation was called in and considered by the Corporate Performance Panel on 26 November 2019. The Call In was upheld by the Panel and the Cabinet Member for Development agreed to amend the delegated decision and re-issue it.

7 **MATTERS REFERRED TO CABINET FROM OTHER BODIES**

None

8 **COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT - FINAL SCHEME FOR 2020-21**

RECOMMENDED: That the draft CTS scheme for 2020/2021 which went to public consultation be adopted as the final CTS scheme for 2020/2021.

Reason for Decision

To ensure a CTS scheme for working age people for 2020/2021 is agreed by Council by 11 March 2020.

9 **CORPORATE BUSINESS PLAN**

RECOMMENDED: That the Corporate Business Plan attached to the report be adopted.

Reason for Decision

To establish the council's policy framework for the term of the current administration, showing how the council will focus its resources over the next four years.

10 **CONTRACT STANDING ORDERS - REVIEW**

RECOMMENDED: 1) That the amended Contract Standing Orders be approved.

2) That delegated authority be granted to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Leader and the Monitoring Officer, to make minor changes from time to time to make CSO consistent with legal requirements, changes in Council structures and personnel and best practice;

3) That delegated authority be granted to the Leader, appropriate Portfolio Holder, and the Chief Executive, to add a section on compliance with the Council's Environmental Policy, when that policy has been completed and adopted.

Reason for Decision

To ensure that the Council's purchasing and disposal procedures continue to reflect best practice in order to obtain best value and to guard against corruption, discrimination and breaches of public procurement regulations.

11 **VACANT BUILDING CREDIT**

RESOLVED: That the application of the Vacant Building Credit in line with the CIL regulations in order to offer increased clarity for applicants and decision makers be adopted.

Reason for Decision

To adopt a clear and transparent approach to applying the Vacant Building Credit and avoid uncertainty when dealing with planning applications.

12 **HOMELESSNESS STRATEGY**

RESOLVED: That the Homelessness Strategy be adopted and that the role of the Environment and Community Panel's group - Homelessness and Housing Supply Task Group in overseeing the delivery of the Action Plan endorsed.

Reason for Decision

The Council has a statutory duty to produce a homelessness strategy setting out the issues it faces locally and what it is doing to prevent homelessness. The Council's commitments to preventing homelessness are set out in the Corporate Plan.

The meeting closed at 4.12 pm