BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN & WEST NORFOLK

CABINET DECISION SHEET

Decision Sheet from the Meeting of the Cabinet held on Tuesday, 31st October, 2023 at 6.00 pm in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Saturday Market Place, King's Lynn PE30 5DQ

PRESENT: Councillor T Parish (Chair)
Councillors B Anota, A Beales, M de Whalley, J Moriarty, C Morley,
S Ring, J Rust and S Squire

1 MINUTES

RESOLVED: The Minutes of the meeting held on 29 September 2023 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

2 **URGENT BUSINESS**

None

3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Dark declared a non pecuniary interest as a County Councillor and Town Board Member in the UK Shared Prosperity Fund Boost Project, and as a County Councillor on the Norfolk County Deal item.

4 CHAIR'S CORRESPONDENCE

None

5 MEMBERS PRESENT UNDER STANDING ORDER 34

Councillors Blunt, Dark, Dickinson, Joyce and Sandell attended via zoom

Councillor Kemp attended in person.

6 CALLED IN MATTERS

None

7 FORWARD DECISIONS

The Forwards Decision list was noted.

8 MATTERS REFERRED TO CABINET FROM OTHER BODIES

The Environment and Community Panel meeting on 3 October commented on and supported the following items:

EC44: Cabinet Report – Care Leavers Covenant

EC45: Cabinet Report – UKSPF 24/25 – Continuation and Expansion

of Boost Project and West Norfolk Training Grants Ec49: - Exempt Cabinet Report – Mart Agreement

The Corporate Performance Panel on 16 October 2023 commented on and supported on the following items:

CP64: Cabinet Report: Corporate Strategy 2023 to 2027 CP65: Cabinet Report: Norfolk County Deal Response

9 **CORPORATE STRATEGY 2023-27**

RECOMMENDED: That Council adopts the attached corporate strategy with the following amendments:

Under Protect our environment: add to the last bullet point – "and rivers and streams" before the word "quality".

Under efficient and effective delivery of our services:

Add a penultimate bullet point - "Bring forward proposals to enable the King's Lynn Area Consultative Committee to be revised into a decision making body."

Add at the start of the last bullet point "Consider appropriate resources and then", before the "investigate the creation of a town council"

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. The key priorities will be: • Promote growth and prosperity to benefit West Norfolk • Protect our environment • Support our communities • Efficient and effective delivery of our services

10 <u>UK SHARED PROSPERITY FUNDING 2024-25 BOOST PROJECT WEST NORFOLK TRAINING GRANTS</u>

RESOLVED: 1) That the continuation and expansion of the BOOST project for young people across West Norfolk as per section 6, table 2, option 2 be endorsed.

- 2) That the allocation of UKSPF 'People & Skills' funding for the Boost project for 2024/25 as set out in section 7, table 3 of the report be approved.
- 3) That the continuation and expansion of the West Norfolk Training Grant into 2024/25 as per section 13, table 6, option 3 of the report be endorsed.
- 4) That the allocation of UKSPF funding for the West Norfolk Training Grant project for 2024/25 as set out in section 12 Table 5 be approved.
- 5) That the delegated authority be granted to the Assistant Director for Regeneration, Housing & Place in consultation with the Leader and Portfolio Holder for Business to agree delivery arrangements and any changes to ensure the efficient delivery of the Boost and West Norfolk Training Grant projects for 2024/25.
- 6) That Officers provide an annual report on the progress and performance of the projects to the Corporate Performance Panel.

Reason for Decision

To ensure smooth delivery of two projects in line with West Norfolk Investment Plan and Corporate Business Plan objectives. Approval of 2024/25 UKSPF investment for these projects will ensure continued delivery of packages of support which can maximise their reach to benefit residents across the Borough. Both projects will contribute towards the West Norfolk achievement of UKSPF objectives to build pride in place, facilitate high quality skills training, supporting pay, employment, productivity growth and increasing life chances. The recommendations are agreed with a view to the leverage of funding for its future delivery.

11 CARE LEAVERS COVENANT

RESOLVED: That the Council commits to taking action to meet the requirements of the Care Leavers Covenant.

Reason for Decision

To recognise the challenges faced by young people leaving/having left care and to take action which will have a positive impact on the quality of life for these residents in west Norfolk.

12 NORFOLK COUNTY DEAL RESPONSE

RECOMMENDED: That the Leader and Chief Executive continue to engage in the County Deal discussions with NCC on behalf of BCKLWN with a focus on

- this council's powers and sovereignty remain undiminished;
- West-Norfolk will have a fair say in the priorities being set for any new funding under the 'deal'

- West-Norfolk will have a fair opportunity to access such funding to secure the best deal for west Norfolk
- That BCKLWN gives it's support to NCC to negotiate with Government to secure the best deal for Norfolk subject to 1. above

Reason for Decision

To respond to the Motion agreed at the Council meeting on 30 March 2023 (Minute 6/23).

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 it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

14 RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT FOR HOLDING THE MART

RESOLVED: 1) That the requirement for a supervised crossing at the junction of the Tuesday Market Place and King Street for the duration of the opening hours of the Mart be re-affirmed.

- 2) That the Showmen's Guild (Eastern Region) be encouraged to review its opening hours to ensure its own future viability
- 3) That a 5 year contract from 2024 be agreed with authority for the operating days and resultant costs to be amended as a variation to the contract.

Reason for Decision

To support the ongoing delivery of the Mart from 2024.

The meeting closed at 7.09 pm