

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN & WEST NORFOLK

CABINET DECISION SHEET

**Decision Sheet from the Meeting of the Cabinet held on
Thursday, 17th October, 2024 at 6.00 pm in the Council Chamber,
Town Hall, Saturday Market Place, King's Lynn PE30 5DQ**

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

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor B Anota

1 **URGENT BUSINESS**

None

2 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

3 **CHAIR'S CORRESPONDENCE**

None

4 **MEMBERS PRESENT UNDER STANDING ORDER 34**

Councillors S Bearshaw, A Kemp and T Parish attended under standing order 34.

5 **CALLED IN MATTERS**

There were no called in matters.

6 **FORWARD DECISIONS**

The Forward Decision List was noted.

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

The Regeneration and Development Panel on 15 October had considered the 3 Cabinet reports on the agenda, and after debate had supported the recommendations on all.

8 **CIL APPLICATIONS FOR OVER £50,000 FOR CONSIDERATION BY CABINET**

RESOLVED: That the funding for applications for CIL Infrastructure Funding attached as an appendix to the report be approved.

Reason for Decision

To ensure that the CIL monies collected are being spent on appropriate infrastructure projects to reflect the growth of population occurring in West Norfolk.

9 **HUNSTANTON BUS STATION AND LIBRARY PROPOSALS**

RESOLVED: 1) That a housing scheme of 21-24 affordable housing units at the Bus Station Site in Hunstanton plus a library in partnership with Norfolk County Council and in consort with the NCC Transport Interchange Scheme (the “Hunstanton Bus Station Proposed Housing Scheme”) shall be designed and costed up to RIBA Stage 4 with an approved budget of £250,000.

2) The Bus Station Site in Hunstanton is deemed a strategic site for affordable housing delivery.

RECOMMENDED: 3) That the Capital Programme be amended to include Hunstanton Bus Station Proposed Housing Scheme based on the initial cost estimate of £4m to be funded from affordable housing funding held and ringfenced by the Council of £2.2m and internal borrowing against the capital receipts from the eventual sale of the affordable housing units estimated to be £1.8m.

Reason for Decision

The decision to designate the site for Affordable Housing creates an opportunity to deliver much needed affordable housing in Hunstanton to meet identified need; it will see the delivery of a new library by NCC; and the development will sit alongside a planned refreshed bus station with modern accessible facilities

10 **NORFOLK ECONOMIC STRATEGY**

RESOLVED: That the updated draft Norfolk Economic Strategy, which will also be known as the ‘Local Growth Plan’ for Norfolk, be endorsed with the following additional points to be passed to the County Council for their consideration:

- Specific reference to the existence of the CITB in reference to the construction sector, along with its close link with the College of West Anglia.

- The protection of the Environment being included as a golden thread throughout the document.
- An energy Action Plan to be included
- The priority of supporting SMEs in procurement.
- Strengthen opportunity for King's Lynn – Cambridge growth corridor

Reason for Decision:

The draft Norfolk Economic Strategy will act as a policy for the Norfolk County Council, but also serve as a framework for a wide range of partners including districts, education institutes and the private sector. The strategy will act as a Local Growth Plan for the new Labour Government, who will expect bids for funding to reference the strategy. It is therefore an important policy document which will open up opportunities for West Norfolk in line with the corporate priority to support growth and prosperity and the priorities emerging from the West Norfolk Economic Strategy

The meeting closed at 6.51 pm