

CABINET MEMBERS REPORT TO COUNCIL

28 November 2019

COUNCILLOR BRIAN LONG – LEADER & CABINET MEMBER FOR RESOURCES.

For the period 18 October to 18 November 2019.

1 Progress on Portfolio Matters.

Staff Health.

As shown within my meeting attended, I along with 116 of our staff had Flu Jabs this month. The council provides this as a way of improving staff health and resilience within the work force.

In addition, 120 Vouchers were issued, to be used by staff off site. Of these 46 will be recharged to the CCG, whose staff work within King's Court.

Water Resources East

Following the recent meeting ADA Great Ouse Branch and the Regional Flood and Coastal Committee where discussion had taken place around Water Resources East. WRE has been set up along with other bodies across the UK to look at how water is utilised. ADA has paid to put a representative on the Company Board. While BCKLWN would not want to pay the £15,000 to hold a board seat, I have actioned us becoming an associate member (with maximum liability of £1.00) Being involved in the availability and transfer of water is important to future planning for our Housing and Industry to grow.

Visit to Merxin Ltd.

Myself and Cllr Middleton met with representatives of Merxin regarding their future plans for their business in Kings Lynn. Currently situated within KLIC and having received a Mayors Business Award, the company is expanding and employing more people. The delivery of Pharmaceuticals via inhalers to treat asthma and other lung conditions is a subject of great interest to me and new developments in this field are most welcome.

2 Forthcoming Activities and Developments.

Nothing to report.

3 Meetings Attended and Meetings Scheduled

In addition to my usual round of Cabinet and Portfolio meetings I have also attended the following:

Briefing from Natural England on Coastal Path route.

Association of Drainage Authorities – Great Ouse Branch.

KLACC – re Special expenses.

Various meetings with Freebridge Community Housing.

Governance Structures meeting for Councillors.

Flu Jab Session with Staff

Visit to Merxin Ltd at KLIC.

Chaired Appointments Panel for new Independent Person for Standards.

Kings Lynn IDB – Board Meeting