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CHILTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES of the CABINET held on 23 APRIL 2019

PRESENT Councillors I Darby - Leader

M Stannard - Deputy Leader

P Martin M Smith E Walsh F Wilson

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Councillors C Jones and J Rush

192 MINUTES

The minutes of the Cabinet held on 19 March 2019 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

193 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were declarations of interest from Councillors I Darby, M Smith, L Walsh and F Wilson who declared a personal interest under the Council's Code of Conduct in item 7 (Community Infrastructure Levy) as members of Town and Parish Councils.

194 28-DAY NOTICE

The Cabinet received a report attaching the draft 28-Day Notice which provided a forward look at the Agenda for the next meeting of the Cabinet. The Notice would be published on 10 June 2019. The Cabinet also received the 28-Day Notice for the Chiltern and South Bucks Joint Committee which would be held on 1 May 2019. The Chiltern and South Bucks Joint Local Plan submission which would be considered at that meeting was highlighted.

RESOLVED -

That the Draft 28-Day Notice / Forward Plan, to be published on 10 June 2019, and the 28-Day Notice for the Chiltern and South Bucks Joint Committee on 1 May 2019, be noted.

195 CURRENT ISSUES

(i) Councillor M Smith -

Councillor M Smith reported that the new crematorium in Bierton, Aylesbury had opened on 23 April 2019. A formal opening event would be arranged in due course. Cabinet gave thanks to Councillor Smith and the officers involved throughout the project for their effort and commitment in creating this legacy for the Council.

196 COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL) DRAFT CHARGING SCHEDULE

The Cabinet received a report which recommended that the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Draft Charging Schedule (DCS) was issued for consultation and submitted to an Examiner for an Examination in Public.

The preliminary draft charging schedule consultation period ended in December 2018 with 56 responses received and 99 individual comments from a range of organisations and individuals, providing overall support for implementing CIL. The proposed CIL rates remained unchanged following the consultation. Cabinet was advised that the evidence base, which included the viability assessments, funding gap and infrastructure delivery plan, plus the consideration of which types of infrastructure would be funded through CIL or Section 106 would continue to be developed up until the point of submission.

An independent examiner had been reserved and an experienced programme officer appointed to act as an intermediary between the Councils and examiner. Whilst the public consultation would run parallel with that of the Joint Local Plan, the ambition was to introduce CIL as soon as possible to capture funds from developments to benefit the districts' residents.

Cabinet noted the frustrations from residents who regularly made the point that smaller developments provide no contribution to infrastructure and the introduction of CIL was welcomed to ensure infrastructure needs were met where smaller scale developments were being built. It was further welcomed that a certain percentage would go to Town and Parish Councils, who often know their local areas and infrastructure needs best.

RESOLVED

- 1. That the Community Infrastructure Levy Draft Charging Schedule be published and consulted on.
- 2. That authority be delegated to the Head of Planning and Economic Development, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Economic Development, to make minor editorial changes and corrections to the Community Infrastructure Levy Draft Charging Schedule and supporting documents prior to consultation.
- 3. That in light of responses to the consultation, authority be delegated to the Head of Planning and Economic Development in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Economic Development, to make minor amendments to the Draft Charging Schedule and supporting documents prior to the submission for examination.
- 4. That the Community Infrastructure Levy Draft Charging Schedule consultation documents and any responses be submitted to an independent examiner for an Examination in Public.

197 COMMUNITY PROJECTS RESERVE

The Cabinet received a report which advised on the recommendations of the Healthy Communities Policy Advisory Group following a review of the expenditure options for the new Community Projects Reserve which was agreed at the Council meeting held on 26 February 2019.

Cabinet noted that the expenditure options were considered at length by the Heathy Communities Policy Advisory Group and the recommendations made could be seen in detail in the report on pages 57-65 of the reports pack. The options not supported by the Policy Advisory Group were also detailed in the report.

The options recommended were Social Prescribing, increasing the 2019/20 Community Grant budget and having a Large Projects Grant.

Cabinet commented on all options being of great benefit to residents and these being a great investment to provide a positive base for the new unitary authority, Public Health and the Chiltern Clinical Commissioning Group to build on. Further, social prescribing was recognised as an excellent way of linking people to schemes to improve residents' health and wellbeing and reduce stress on the NHS.

RESOLVED

- 1. That the recommendations of the Healthy Communities Policy Advisory Group following the review of the expenditure options for the new Community Projects Reserve be noted.
- 2. That expenditure of up to £250,000 from the Community Project Reserve be brought forward for the following;
 - To increase the community grant budget by £40,000 and to increase to £5,000 the maximum grant award available.
 - To allocate £160,000 for a Large Projects Grant with a £40,000 maximum grant award available for individual schemes requesting funding.
 - To allocate £50,000 for Social Prescribing to support the development of a database of local organisations that are able to work with the Social Prescribing referral mechanism to be established in partnership with Buckinghamshire County Council, the Chiltern CCG and Public Health.
- 3. That the Head of Healthy Communities in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Healthy Communities be authorised to finalise the procedure for the award of the Large Projects grants.

198 KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELDS

The Cabinet received a report which sought authority to undertake a public consultation to appropriate the marked site at King George V Playing Fields and the site to the rear of the electricity substation on Chiltern Avenue from open space to a planning purpose, subject to the grant of planning permission and consideration by Cabinet of any representations made during the public consultation.

The Planning Committee would consider the revised application for the Chiltern Lifestyle Centre at its meeting on 10 June 2019. The minimum public consultation period required for the proposed appropriation was 21 days, following which a further report would be presented to Cabinet for consideration outlining any objections received during the consultation period and seeking a decision on whether to proceed with the appropriation.

RESOLVED

That public consultation be undertaken to appropriate the land marked on the plan appended to the report forming part of King George V Playing Fields and land to the rear of the electricity substation on Chiltern Avenue from open space to a planning purpose, subject to the grant of planning permission and consideration by Cabinet of any representations made during the public consultation.

199 CHILTERN AND SOUTH BUCKS LEISURE ADVISORY BOARD TERMS OF REFERENCE

Cabinet were asked to consider a proposal to change the name of the Joint Leisure Advisory Board (LAB) to the Active Life Advisory Board, and amend the group's Terms of Reference accordingly.

Cabinet noted that the Board not only focused on leisure and had the aim of working with partnership agencies to encourage non-active people to live a healthier lifestyle.

RESOLVED

That the name of the Joint Leisure Advisory Board be amended to the Active Life Advisory Board and the Terms of Reference be amended accordingly.

200 MINUTES OF JOINT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

There had been no Joint Executive meetings held since the last meeting of Cabinet on 19 March 2019.

201 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED -

That under section 100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

Paragraph 3 – Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

202 CABINET REPORTS FROM POLICY ADVISORY GROUPS:

RESOLVED:

That the confidential notes from the following PAG meetings be noted:

- 1. Planning and Economic Development PAG 3 April 2019
- 2. Healthy Communities PAG 8 April 2019

The meeting ended at 6.21 pm