

CABINET

Meeting - 20 April 2016

Present: Mr Bagge, Mr Naylor, Mr Egleton, Mrs Sullivan and Mr Kelly

63. MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings of the Cabinet held on 9 February and 22 March 2016 were confirmed and signed by the Leader.

64. FORWARD PLAN OF EXECUTIVE DECISIONS

The Cabinet received a copy of the 28 day Notice prepared in accordance with Regulation 9 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 setting out the key (and non-key) decisions the Cabinet was intending to make at public and private meetings.

RESOLVED that the 28 day Notice be noted.

65. REFRESHED JOINT BUSINESS PLAN 2016-2020

The Cabinet was invited to comment on a refresh of the Joint Business Plan 2016-2020 which is reviewed annually to reflect the changing needs of the locality and the communities that live and work within Chiltern and South Bucks and the service planning process.

Following a proposal from the Health Communities Portfolio Holder the wording under “We will work towards safer and healthier local Communities” paragraph 4, bullet point 3 was amended as follows:”

‘Work with the local MP, voluntary and community groups through the Cohesion and inequalities Forum to help inform the South Bucks Community and Wellbeing Plan’.

After noting and endorsing the proposed changes the Cabinet

RECOMMENDED to Council that the refreshed Joint Business Plan 2016-2020, as amended above, be adopted.

66. PERFORMANCE INDICATOR REVIEW

The Cabinet considered a report providing an update on the outcomes of the Performance for 2016/2017 and seeking approval to make changes to the reporting arrangements as set out in the following appendices:

Appendix A PI Review - Priority PIs 2016-17 - SBDC - provides proposals for reporting priority indicators during 2016/17 with future targets.

Appendix B PI Review – Corporate Indicators 2016-17 - SBDC- provides proposals for reporting Corporate PIs during 2016/17 with future targets.

After noting that the proposed changes would result in 12 priority PI’s and 29 additional PI’s (a total of 41 a reduction of 3 from those currently reported) the Cabinet

RESOLVED that the changes to the reporting arrangements for Performance Indicators be agreed.

67. **ENVIRONMENT**

The Cabinet received the Part I minutes of the Environment Policy Advisory Group held on 1 March 2016

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Environment Policy Advisory Group held on 1 March 2016 be noted.

68. **HEALTHY COMMUNITIES**

The Cabinet received the Part 1 minutes of the Health and Housing Policy Advisory Group held on 25 February 2016

RESOLVED that the Part 1 minutes of the Health and Housing Policy Advisory Group held on 25 February 2016 be noted.

69. **RESOURCES**

The Cabinet received the Part 1 minutes of the Resources Advisory Group held on 3 March 2016 and the following were the subject of a recommendation from the Portfolio Holder:

1. Station Road Car-Park, Gerrard Cross (Minute 33)

Whilst the PAG had not been convinced by the business case they had accepted that there was a need to increase the capacity at the car park. The Portfolio Holder explained that since the meeting it had been established that it was not necessary to progress with the submission of a planning application at this stage and therefore recommendation 1 in minute 33 was not required. However, recommendation 2 was required to enable the project to progress expeditiously.

After considering the advice of the Portfolio Holder the Cabinet:

RESOLVED that the expenditure incurred to date of £50k be noted and agreement be given to incur further expenditure of £65k to support project management for the duration of the project.

2. Beaconsfield Car Parking

The Cabinet considered the report upon which the PAG had commented and provided advice to the Portfolio Holder to progress the options for the Beaconsfield Car Park.

The Leader, whilst understanding the wish to progress, stated that the development should be seen in the context of wider Government policies and the need to optimise revenue income from the Council's assets. With this in mind the Leader proposed that a strategic review be undertaken of the Council's property and land assets to identify those that could be developed, possibly in partnership, in order to generate income for the Council whilst providing benefits for businesses and residents. Accordingly, he proposed that further consideration of the options for Beaconsfield Car Park be deferred pending this strategic review and that the £80k requested in the recommendation from the Portfolio Holder be used to fund this review

Cabinet unanimously supported this proposals and following a discussion on how the strategic asset review could be progressed as a matter of urgency it was

RESOLVED that

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- 1 A strategic review be undertaken of the Council's assets to identify those with the potential for further development to generate income for the Council and provide benefits for businesses and residents and £80k be agreed to fund this strategic review.
- 2 The Director of Resources, in consultation with the Resources Portfolio Holder, be authorised to agree a specification for the strategic review and undertake the procurement process.

And further

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the PAG held on 3 March 2016 be noted.

70. **SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

The Cabinet received the Part II minutes of the Sustainable Development Policy Advisory Group held on 10 March 2016.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Sustainable Policy Advisory Group held on 10 March 2016 be noted.

71. **CHILTERN AND SOUTH BUCKS JOINT COMMITTEE**

The Cabinet received for information the minutes of the meeting of the Chiltern and South Bucks Joint Committee held on 29 February 2016.

RESOLVED the minutes be noted.

72. **PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT QUARTERLY REPORT QUARTER 3**

The Cabinet considered a report outlining the performance of Council services against Performance Indicators and service objectives during September to December 2015 as set out in appendices A and B.

The Cabinet noted that all four of the off target PIs related to housing.

RESOLVED that the report be noted,

73. **EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC**

“that under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1974 the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act “

The paragraph number is given under each heading,

74. **RESOURCES**

(Paragraphs 1 and 3)

The report on Beaconsfield Car Park was considered as part of the discussion in minute 69 above

75. **HS2**

The Cabinet considered a report providing an update on HS2 and in particular on

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- Progress made with regard to the Cone Valley Regional Park Panel
- Assurances received from HS 2 on the Colne Valley and the HEX Langley Depot
- Negotiations to secure a Service Level Agreement to cover future resources
- The latest budgetary position
- The decision of BCC to petition the House of Lords on HGV Issues
- Becoming a Qualifying Authority” for the determination of planning matters.

Following consideration of the report it was

RESOLVED that

1. The progress made with regard to the Colne Valley Regional Park Panel be noted
2. The position on assurances received from HS2 on the Colne Valley and the HEX Langley Depot be noted.
3. (a) the ongoing negotiations with HS2 to agree a Service Level Agreement to cover future resources in dealing with Schedule 17 (of the HS2 Hybrid Bill) applications (and Section 61 applications of the Control of Pollution Act) be noted (b) the Acting Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader and Head of Legal and Democratic Services, be authorised to approve the terms of any future settlement (c) funding of £65K on a contingency basis be agreed from the General Reserve until the end of the year to cover additional staff costs which are not reimbursable by HS2.
4. The latest position on expenditure is noted and a budget increase of £15K be agreed in line with proposals within the report.
5. As Bucks CC will petition the House of Lords on HGV issues in Iver it is confirmed that it is not necessary for South Bucks DC to do so.
6. The Head of Sustainable Development, in consultation with the Chairman of the Planning Committee, be authorised to sign the Planning Memorandum and enable South Bucks to become a “Qualifying Authority” for the determination of planning matters under the Bill

76. **THE SOUTH BUCKINGHAMSHIRE GOLF COURSE**

The Cabinet received the following reports that were considered at the meeting of the South Buckinghamshire Members Advisory Panel held on 22 February 2015, the minutes of which were also received.

A Development of the Academy Site

Having considered the report and noted the recommendations of the Advisory Panel as set out in minute 18 it was

RESOLVED that

1. Agreement be given to commence a procurement for the redevelopment of the Academy site to provide open parkland for non-golfing recreation which could include activity areas, fitness trails, cycling facilities, playground and seating areas.

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2. The Director of Resources, in consultation with the Resources Portfolio Holder, be authorised to agree the specification for invitation of tenders.
3. The evaluation of tenders be reported to a future meeting of the Cabinet for decision on award.
4. Agreement be given to expenditure of up to £20,000 for procurement support.

B. Farnham Park Playing Fields

Having considered the report and the recommendations of the Advisory Panel as set out in minute 19 it was

RESOLVED that

1. A new 3 year lease be granted to Slough Town Youth Academy at annual rent indicated in the report.
2. Tenders be invited to install a new Access Track with a report back on the results to a future meeting of the Advisory Panel.

And further

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Advisory Panel held on 22 February 2016 be noted.

The meeting terminated at 6.35 pm