

MEETING:	Cabinet
DATE:	Wednesday, 7 October 2015
TIME:	10.00 am
VENUE:	Reception Room, Barnsley Town Hall

# **MINUTES**

Present

Councillors Houghton CBE (Chair), Andrews BEM, Bruff, Cheetham, Franklin (for Gardiner), Howard, Miller and Platts

## 93. Declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests

There were no declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests.

#### 94. Leader - Call-in of Cabinet decisions

The Leader reported that no decisions from the previous meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2015 had been called in.

### 95. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 23 September, 2015 (Cab.7.10.2015/3)

The minutes of the meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2015 were taken as read and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

### 96. Decisions of Cabinet Spokespersons (Cab.7.10.2015/4)

The Record of Decisions taken by Cabinet Spokespersons under delegated powers during the weeks ending 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2015 and 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2015 were noted.

### 97. Petitions received under Standing Order 44 (Cab.7.10.2015/5)

It was reported that no petitions had been received under Standing Order 44.

# 98. Development of the Community Shop as part of the 'Food Ladder' Approach to Address Poverty (Cab.7.10.2015/6)

### **RESOLVED:-**

- that approval be given to the Community Asset Transfer of the Former Barnsley North Learning and Development Unit in Athersley North to The Coalfield Regeneration Trust to develop a Community Shop in the Unit;
- (ii) that the Director of Finance, Assets and Information Services be authorised to transfer the freehold interest of the property to The Coalfield Regeneration Trust for a Community Shop, such transfer to be in accordance with Local Government Act 1972, but at less than best consideration based on the delivery of local social economic and environmental wellbeing powers, as introduced by the Local Government Act 2000 and the General Disposal Consent (England) 2003;

- (iii) that the Service Director Assets be authorised to finalise the heads of terms for the freehold community asset transfer of the property for a Community Shop and that a Section 106 agreement be developed; and
- (iv) that the Director of Legal and Governance be authorised to complete the freehold transfer of the property to the Coalfields Regeneration Trust based on those terms to be agreed and subject to planning permission for the proposed use.

# 99. Highways Asset Management Strategy (Cab.7.10.2015/7)

## **RESOLVED:-**

- (i) that the revisions to the Strategy to manage the Highway Asset, for works identified from April 2016 onwards be approved;
- that Cabinet approve the two documents which underwrite the way in which the Council will manage the Highways Asset: Managing the Highways Asset Policy; and Highway Asset Management Strategy attached to the report now submitted; and
- (iii) that Cabinet notes and recognises the changes to funding allocation for highways maintenance from the Department for Transport and the Governments desire to reward good practice in highway asset management as detailed in Appendix 1.

### 100. Highways Capital Programme 2015/16 (Cab.7.10.2015/8)

### **RESOLVED:-**

- that the 2015/16 Highways Capital Programme and funding as set out in Appendices 1, 2, 3, and 4 attached to the report now submitted, be approved, and that the Service Director Environment and Transport be authorised to implement these schemes, subject to the cost of the schemes being contained within the funds available;
- that the Service Director Environment and Transport be authorised, in consultation with the Cabinet Spokesperson for Place, to vary the programme within the overall financial approval;
- (iii) that the Service Director Environment and Transport be authorised to:
  - (a) Obtain tenders for any works as necessary, and appoint the successful tenderer on the basis of the most economically advantageous tender;
  - (b) To adopt the Highways Maintenance Efficiency Programme (HMEP) principle of collaboration and use collaborative procurement to engage external consultants to undertake work which cannot be undertaken in house via Regional Alliances;

- (c) Appoint external consultants as appropriate, within the current procurement rules.
- (iv) that, in the event that the Planned Maintenance budget and Integrated Transport budget for 2015/16 is not fully expended, the value of any committed works be rolled forward in addition to next year's planned allocations; and
- (v) that the changes to the proposed Maintenance Block Funding mechanism from 2016/17, which will result in a proposed change in the Asset Management Strategy of the highways asset, be noted.

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Chair