

MEETING:	Cabinet
DATE:	Wednesday, 16 December 2015
TIME:	10.00 am
VENUE:	Reception Room, Barnsley Town Hall

MINUTES

Present Councillors Andrews BEM (Chair), Bruff, Cheetham, Gardiner, Howard, Miller and Platts

Members in Attendance: Councillors Dures, Franklin, Griffin and Sheard

147. Declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests

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

148. Leader - Call-in of Cabinet decisions

The Leader reported that no decisions from the previous meeting held on 2nd December, 2015 had been called in.

149. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 2nd December, 2015 (Cab.16.12.2015/3)

The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd December, 2015 were taken as read and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

150. Decisions of Cabinet Spokespersons (Cab.16.12.2015/4)

There were no Records of Decisions by Cabinet Spokespersons under delegated powers to report.

151. Petitions received under Standing Order 44 (Cab.16.12.2015/5)

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

Deputy Leader

152. Public Health Strategy (Cab.16.12.2015/6)

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that the Public Health Strategy, attached as Appendix 1 to the report now submitted, which has been produced in consultation with key partners, be approved; and
- (ii) that support be given to the Strategy and for Elected Members to work with Area Councils in promoting the Strategy.

Corporate Services Spokesperson

153. Non-Domestic Rates Rural Rate Relief Scheme - Rural Settlement List (Cab.16.12.2015/7)

RESOLVED that the areas set out at paragraph 5.1 of the report now submitted and detailed in the plans attached, be agreed as the Rural Settlement List for 2016/17.

Corporate Services and Place Spokespersons

154. Housing Revenue Account 2015/16 Mid Year Review (Cab.16.12.2015/8)

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that the revised Housing Revenue Account 2015/16 estimates, as set out in the report now submitted, be approved;
- (ii) that the reduction to the Berneslai Homes Management Fee of £1.344m be approved; and
- (iii) that £0.4m of the projected 2015/16 underspend be carried forward to fund planned concrete works at the Sheffield Road Flats in 2016/17.

155. Housing Revenue Account - Draft Budget 2016/17 & Housing Capital Investment Programme 2016-2021 (Cab.16.12.2015/9)

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL ON 4TH FEBRUARY, 2016:-

- (i) that the Housing Revenue Account Draft Budget for 2016/17, as detailed in the report now submitted, be approved, with any final amendments/additions being delegated to the Cabinet Spokesperson for Place and the Executive Director for Place;
- (ii) that the Service Charge Proposals for 2016/17, as set out at Appendix D and Sections 3.13 and 3.16, be approved;
- (iii) that the 2016/17 Berneslai Homes Management Fee be approved with any final amendments/additions being delegated to the Service Director Culture, Housing and Regulation and the Executive Director Place in consultation with the Cabinet Spokesperson for Place;
- (iv) that the use of Berneslai Homes Ltd retained surplus as outlined in Section 3.27 be approved;
- (v) that the earmarking of Housing Revenue Account Working Balance as outlined in Sections 3.8 – 3.12 be approved;
- (vi) that the Council Housing Capital Investment Programme for 2020-21 be approved;

- (vii) that a rent reduction in line with Government's rent policy be approved; and
- (viii) that the Board of Berneslai Homes be authorised to vary any of the approved capital schemes subject to a maximum variation on existing budgets of £250,000, with variations above this amount carried out in agreement with the Executive Director Place and the Cabinet Spokesperson for Place.

156. Children's Commissioner Takeover Challenge (Cab.16.12.2015/10)

The People (Safeguarding) Spokesperson referred to the success of the Children's Commissioner's annual Takeover Challenge for young people in care and care leavers on 20th November, 2015 and that Barnsley had received a Silver Award from the Commissioner. Three young people from Barnsley had also been expert witnesses in the Minister's consultation on experiences of the Looked After system.

RESOLVED that the young people involved be congratulated on their success.

157. Carlton Community College (Cab.16.12.2015/11)

The People (Achieving Potential) Spokesperson reported on the recent Ofsted judgement of Carlton Community College as 'good'.

RESOLVED that the progress at Carlton Community College be welcomed.

158. Exclusion of Public and Press

RESOLVED that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items, because of the likely disclosure of exempt information as described by the specific paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended, as follows:-

<u>Item Number</u>	<u>Type of Information Likely to be Disclosed</u>
159.	Paragraph 3

Corporate Services Spokesperson

159. Sale of Land at the Former Darton Primary School, Station Road, Darton (Cab.16.12.2015/13)

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that the Director of Finance, Assets and Information Services be authorised to exchange contracts on the sale of the surplus land at the former Darton Primary School site, as detailed in the report now submitted, to Jones Homes;
- (ii) that the Service Director Assets be authorised to finalise the heads of terms and contract details for the proposed disposal; and
- (iii) that the Director of Legal and Governance be authorised to complete the sale of the site, subject to the necessary planning consents being achieved.

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Chair