

MEETING:	Cabinet
DATE:	Wednesday, 27 January 2016
TIME:	10.00 am
VENUE:	Reception Room, Barnsley Town Hall

MINUTES

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

Members in Attendance: Councillors Cherryholme, Clements Franklin and Sheard

173. Declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests

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

174. Leader - Call-in of Cabinet decisions

The Leader reported that no decisions from the previous meeting held on 13th January, 2016 had been called in.

175. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 13th January, 2016 (Cab.27.1.2016/3)

The minutes of the meeting held on 13th January, 2016 were taken as read and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

176. Decisions of Cabinet Spokespersons (Cab.27.1.2016/4)

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

177. Petitions received under Standing Order 44 (Cab.27.1.2016/5)

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

Corporate Services Spokesperson

178. Implementation of Pay Policy Statement 2016/17 (Cab.27.1.2016/6)

RESOLVED that approval be given to implement the 2016/17 Pay Policy Statement, as detailed at Appendix B of the report now submitted, with effect from 1st April, 2016.

179. Equal Pay Review 2014/15 (Cab.27.1.2016/7)

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that the findings of the Equal Pay Review 2014/15, as set out in the report now submitted, be received and it be noted that there were no significant equal pay gaps identified within any individual grade in relation to gender, age, disability, ethnicity and religion across the Council;

- (ii) that the Key Findings at Section 5 of the report, be noted; and
- (iii) that the action plan attached at Appendix B of the report, be noted.

180. Revision of the Council's Discretionary Housing Payments Policy (DHP) and Council Tax Discretionary Relief Policy from April 2016 (Cab.27.1.2016/8)

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that the Council Tax Discretionary Relief Policy, as detailed at Appendix A of the report now submitted, be approved; and
- (ii) that the Discretionary Housing Payments Policy (DHP), attached as Appendix B to the report, be approved.

181. Discretionary Rate Reliefs for Non Domestic Rates effective from April 2016 (Cab.27.1.2016/9)

RESOLVED that the Discretionary Rate Relief Policy, detailed at Appendix A of the report now submitted, be approved.

Cabinet Spokesperson without Portfolio for Place Spokesperson

182. Better Barnsley Town Centre Regeneration Update (Cab.27.1.2016/10)

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that the progress made in the delivery of the Better Barnsley project and details of the associated budget, as set out in the report now submitted, be noted;
- (ii) that agreement be given to the detailed budgets for the elements of the scheme as identified in Appendix A of the report and the approved capital programme be amended to reflect the revised spending plans;
- (iii) that approval be given to release the 2016/17 earmarked reserves/prudential borrowing (£16.55m) previously allocated to the Better Barnsley Scheme and it be noted that the release of 2017/18 earmarkings will be subject to a further report in 2016;
- (iv) that the Director of Finance, Assets and Information Services in consultation with the Cabinet Spokespersons for Place and Corporate Services be authorised to accept the tender for the appointment of the main contractor to deliver the scheme;
- (v) that the Director of Legal and Governance be authorised to appoint the main contractor to deliver the scheme and enter into contract documentation;
- (vi) that the Director of Place be requested to bring forward business cases for the future use/benefit maximisation of the Metropolitan Centre, Public Realm and Town Square and Car Parking; and

- (vii) that the Interim Executive Director of Communities be requested to bring forward a business case for the future use/benefit maximisation of the Library.

183. Jobs and Business Plan Update (Cab.27.1.2016/11)

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that the progress made in the delivery of the Jobs and Business Plan and the details of the the associated budget, as detailed in the report now submitted, be noted;
- (ii) that agreement be given to the detailed budgets for the elements of the scheme as identified in Appendix A of the report and the approved capital programme be amended to reflect the revised spending plans; and
- (iii) that approval be given to the release of the 2016-17 earmarked reserves/prudential borrowing (£5.801m) previously allocated to the Jobs and Business Plan, and it be noted that the release of 2017-18 earmarkings will be subject to a further report in 2016.

People (Safeguarding) Spokesperson

184. Restructure of Children's Social Care and Safeguarding (Cab.27.1.2016/12)

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that the proposed restructure of the Children's Social Care and Safeguarding Service, as detailed in the report now submitted, be agreed; and
- (ii) that the employee implications, as set out at Appendix B of the report, be approved.

185. Adult Learning Disabilities Transformation Phase 2 Commissioning (Cab.27.1.2016/13)

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that agreement be given to the procurement of a new model of learning disability accommodation and support services to meet the need of existing and future service users, to be funded by existing adult social care purchasing budget resources, as detailed in the report now submitted;
- (ii) that, taking account of the options detailed in Section 5 of the report and the Contract Procedure Rules referred to in Section 12.6, agreement be given to Option 5 (Section 5.6) that commissioners will tender for all service elements (as described in Section 4.5), allowing BMBC in-house services to put forward bids for the elements of service they believe they can deliver.
- (iii) that, it be noted that commissioners will then judge all bidders fairly against the same criteria, ensuring that the procurement framework is in place to support

the transformation agenda and achieve a personalised approach to supporting people with learning disabilities live in their own tenancies with support;

- (iv) that it be noted that the proposals outlined in the report submitted will not result in the release of cashable savings as they are being done in the context of historical and projected budget pressures, however the approach being adopted will ensure that Barnsley has the right services, at the right scale and at the right price in order to constrain the predicted rising costs; and
- (v) that the need to ensure the proper consultation and engagement with service users during the process of change, ensuring continuity of provision, be acknowledged.

Communities Spokesperson

186. Potential Partnership with Yorkshire Wildlife Trust (Cab.27.1.2016/14)

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that the Director of Finance, Assets and Information Services be authorised to agree terms for a Management Agreement with Yorkshire Wildlife Trust for the management of the sites identified in paragraph 1.1 of the report now submitted, with the Council's and Yorkshire Wildlife Trust's respective obligations set out in detail;
- (ii) that the Director of Legal and Governance be authorised to complete a Management Agreement based on those terms agreed; and
- (iii) that delegated approval be granted to the Director of Finance, Assets and Information Services for any future land amendments or additions under the Agreement.

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Chair