

REPORT OF CABINET

(Meeting held on 4 September 2019)

1. STRATEGY FOR COASTAL FUNDING (MINUTE NO 25)

The Cabinet approved the report for “Funding for Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Managements Projects” as the Council’s strategy for developing Coast Protection Investment Plans.

The Cabinet expressed its thanks to the Chairman of the Task and Finish Group, Cllr Carpenter and officers for their work in bringing forward their findings to shape the final strategy.

2. FINANCIAL MONITORING REPORT (MINUTE NO 26)

The Cabinet, having noted the latest budget forecasts of the General Fund, Capital and Housing Revenue Account is recommending that Full Council approve an additional £400,000 budget requirement, in respect of additional disabled facilities adaptations to the Council’s housing stock.

The Cabinet also approved an additional budget request in relation to the Housing Maintenance ICT system, Keystone.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Council approve the £400k additional budget requirement at paragraph 5.2 of the Cabinet report at agenda item 5 of the Cabinet agenda.

3. HYTHE AND DIBDEN NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN – EXAMINER’S REPORT (MINUTE NO 27)

The Cabinet, having considered the modifications recommended by the Examiner in respect of the Hythe and Dibden Neighbourhood Development Plan, is recommending that the proposed modifications be endorsed and the necessary arrangements for the plan to proceed to a referendum, be agreed.

The Cabinet commend the Parish Council for all their hard work in bringing forward the first neighbourhood plan within the District to the referendum stage.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Council:-

- (a) notes the recommendations made in the Examiner’s Report (Appendix 2 to Cabinet report 6 of the Cabinet agenda) into the Hythe and Dibden Neighbourhood Development Plan (Appendix 1 shows the plan with the Examiner’s modifications in red);***
- (b) endorses and confirms that it is satisfied that the proposed modifications and responses highlighted in the Decision Statement (Appendix 3) that are necessary to meet the basic conditions; and***
- (c) agrees to make the necessary arrangements for the Hythe and Dibden Neighbourhood Development Plan to proceed to referendum on 29 October 2019.***

4. BREXIT FUNDING FOR COUNCILS AND THE DESIGNATION OF A BREXIT LEAD OFFICER (MINUTE NO 28)

The Cabinet noted the appointment of the Council's Chief Executive as the Council's Brexit Lead Officer, alongside the tasks identified for this role and the Council's risk considerations and action plan for the United Kingdom leaving the European Union.

5. HEALTH AND LEISURE REVIEW – EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST PHASE (MINUTE NO 29)

The Cabinet considered and endorsed the Expressions of Interest document (Appendix 1 to Cabinet report 8 of the Cabinet agenda), which will be formally signed off and released by the Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Wellbeing in line with the procurement timetable.

The Cabinet placed on record its thanks to the Task and Finish Group and officers for bringing forward an expression of interest document that matched the vision for the future of health and leisure in the New Forest.

6. POSITION STATEMENT ON NUTRIENT NEUTRAL DEVELOPMENT (MINUTE NO 30)

The Cabinet, having considered the present situation in the District in relation to advice from Natural England, approved the approach to an interim nitrogen mitigation solution.

The Council continues to work through the Partnership for South Hampshire (PfSH), the Local Government Association and Members of Parliament to lobby central government to resolve the contradictory positions held by agencies within DEFRA and the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, and in doing so to develop a comprehensive, long term, funded mitigation strategy for the Solent area.

**COUNCILLOR B RICKMAN
CHAIRMAN**