

MINUTES of a meeting of the CABINET held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Coalville on TUESDAY, 7 DECEMBER 2021

Present: Councillor R Blunt (Chairman)

Councillors R Ashman, R D Bayliss, T Gillard, K Merrie MBE and A C Woodman

In Attendance: Councillor C A Sewell

Officers: Mrs B Smith, Mr A Barton, Mr D Bates, Miss E Warhurst, Mrs C Hammond, Mr M Murphy and Ms R Haynes

57. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received for Councillor Rushton.

58. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were no interests declared.

59. PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION

No questions were received.

60. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 9 November 2021 were considered. It was moved by Councillor T Gillard seconded by Councillor K Merrie and

RESOLVED THAT:

The minutes of the meeting held on the 9 November 2021 be confirmed as accurate record of proceedings.

Reason for decision: To comply with the Constitution.

61. HOUSING STRATEGY

Councillor Bayliss presented the report, identifying four priority areas for action and placing emphasis on the need to make best use of existing housing stock, allowing Cabinet to consider the Council's Draft Housing Strategy.

It was moved by Councillor Bayliss seconded by Councillor K Merrie and

RESOLVED THAT:

The housing strategy for adoption be approved.

Reason for decision: To identify the Council's strategic priorities in relation to housing.

62. AFFORDABLE HOUSING SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT (SPD) - ADOPTION

Councillor Merrie presented the report, outlining the main matters covered by the SPD and provided additional guidance about the application of the Council's planning policies for affordable housing and wider operational support for affordable housing.

Chairman's initials

It was moved by Councillor K Merrie seconded by Councillor R Ashman and

RESOLVED THAT:

the Local Plan Committee be requested to adopt the affordable housing supplementary planning document as attached as Appendix 2 of the report.

Reason for decision: To ensure up to date planning guidance on the subject of affordable housing is in place to help local users of the Planning service.

63. LOCAL PLAN SUBSTANTIVE REVIEW - DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

Councillor Merrie presented the report, outlining the outcome of the Local Plan Committee of 27 October 2021, in respect of the proposed Development Strategy options to be taken forward for consultation.

It was moved by Councillor K Merrie seconded by Councillor R Ashman and

RESOLVED THAT:

Cabinet support of the recommendations from the Local Plan Committee of 27 October 2021 in respect of the proposed development strategy as part of the Local Plan review be confirmed

Reason for decision: That preparation of the Local Plan is a Cabinet function.

64. PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDER (PSPO) IN RELATION TO THE RESTRICTION OF MOTOR VEHICLES IN THE AREAS OF SAWLEY, LOCKINGTON AND CAVENDISH BRIDGE

Councillor Woodman presented the report, which found that there had been a dramatic decline in fly tipping and illegal encampments since the order had been put in place. Residents and landowners were found to be in favour of the extension.

It was moved by Councillor A Woodman seconded by Councillor R Blunt and

RESOLVED THAT:

1. The extension of the public spaces protection order in relation to the restriction of motor vehicles in the areas of Sawley, Lockington and Cavendish Bridge as detailed in Appendix B with the revised wording in Schedule 2 (D) and (L) be approved and
2. Future decisions on renewal or amendment of the PSPO be delegated to the Director.

Reason for decision: To extend the current PSPO for a further 3 years to prohibit unauthorised motor vehicles and reduce incidents of fly tipping and illegal encampments.

65. 2021/22 QUARTER 2 PERFORMANCE REPORT

The Leader presented the report and then invited Portfolio Holders to make comments on their areas.

It was noted that the new Leisure Centre had made good progress with the development set to be completed ahead of schedule. Councillors also noted the early success of the Newmarket and the progress made in making the High Street a more attractive place to shop.

Chairman's initials

It was moved by Councillor R Blunt seconded by Councillor T Gillard and

RESOLVED THAT:

The progress against the corporate objectives and performance indicators for Quarter 2 2021/22 be noted.

Reason for decision: To report Q2 2021/22 Council Delivery Plan performance.

66. MINUTES OF THE COALVILLE SPECIAL EXPENSES WORKING PARTY

Councillor Woodman shared the minutes of the Coalville Special Expenses Working Party, highlighting the preferred design for Coalville Park, a new wall for London Road Cemetery and a new grit bin for Zetland Close/Wentworth Road.

It was moved by Councillor A Woodman seconded by Councillor T Gillard and

RESOLVED THAT:

The minutes of the Coalville Special Expenses Working Party at Appendix 1 be noted and the recommendations detailed at section 3.0 of the report be approved.

Reason for decision: So that the decisions of the Coalville Special Expenses Working Party can be considered.

The meeting commenced at 5.00 pm

The Chairman closed the meeting at 5.37 pm