NORTH WEST LEICESTERSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL COUNCIL – THURSDAY, 24 FEBRUARY 2022



Title of Report	URGENT DECISIONS TAKEN BY CABINET	
Presented by	Councillor Richard Blunt Leader of the Council	
Background Papers	Agenda for Cabinet on Tuesday, 11th January, 2022, Draft Budget & Council Tax and Appointment of Contractor Reports	Public Report: Yes
Financial Implications	Financial implications were taken into account by the Cabinet in reaching its decisions. Signed off by the Section 151 Officer: Yes	
Legal Implications	Legal implications were taken into account by the Cabinet in reaching the decisions. Signed off by the Monitoring Officer: Yes	
Staffing and Corporate Implications	There are no staffing and corporate implications	
	Signed off by the Head of Pa	aid Service: Yes
Purpose of Report	In accordance with the Council's Constitution, to formally report that the Cabinet has taken decisions, which are considered to be urgent and, if delayed, would be likely to cause serious prejudice to the Council's interests.	
Recommendations	THAT COUNCIL NOTES THE REPORT.	

1.0 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 As set out in Rule 13(g)(i) (call-in urgency) of Part 4.6 of the Council's Constitution, the call-in procedure may be suspended where a decision being taken by the Cabinet is urgent. A decision is considered urgent if any delay likely to be caused by the call-in process would seriously prejudice the Council's or the public's interests.
- 1.2 In all circumstances, the Chairman of the Council must agree that the decision is reasonable and must agree to the decision being treated as a matter of urgency.
- 1.3 Decisions taken as a matter of urgency must be recorded in the minutes and be reported to the next available meeting of the Council, together with the reasons for urgency.
- 1.4 Decisions that required the waiver of call- in are detailed at section 2 of the report.

2.0 WAIVER OF CALL-IN DECISIONS MADE BY CABINET

- 2.1 Two executive decisions were taken by Cabinet, where the Chairman of the Council agreed that any delay caused by call-in process would seriously prejudice the Council's or the public's interests.
- 2.2 A summary of each decision made is detailed below:-

3.0 DRAFT BUDGET AND COUNCIL TAX 2022/23 – TUESDAY, 11 JANUARY 2022

3.1 The Council is required to consult on its planned budgets every year. Due to the timing of Local Government Finance Settlement, Cabinet was not able to consider and the draft budget for consultation until 11 January 2022. In order to maximise the time allowed for the consultation, the Chairman agreed to waive the call in period. This enabled the consultation to start the day after Cabinet and run for two and a half weeks.

4.0 APPOINTMENT OF CONTRACTOR TO COMPLETE GREEN HOMES GRANT PHASE 1B EXTENSION WORKS TO 30 PROPERTIES – TUESDAY, 11 JANUARY 2022

- 4.1 On 11 January 2022, Cabinet received a report seeking approval to appoint a contractor to carry out council house improvement works to 30 of our most poorly performing homes in terms of their thermal efficiency. These works were to be part funded from an additional award of £150k of Green Homes Grant as part of the extension of Phase 1B of the grant funding programme, as we had successfully completed Phase 1B works to 56 properties. A condition of this additional award is that the works are required to be completed by April 2022.
- 4.2 The Chairman of the Council agreed to the waiver of call-in to allow the contractor appointment to proceed as swiftly as possible, to ensure that the improvement works could be delivered within the time period stipulated by the Governments Green Homes Grant funding conditions.

Policies and other considerations, as appropriate		
Council Priorities:	Supporting Coalville to be a more vibrant, family-friendly town Support for businesses and helping people into local jobs Developing a clean and green district Local people live in high quality, affordable homes Our communities are safe, healthy and connected	
Policy Considerations:	As detailed on each report that was considered by	
Safeguarding:	Not applicable	
Equalities/Diversity:	Not applicable	
Customer Impact:	Not applicable	
Economic and Social Impact:	Not applicable.	
Environment and Climate Change:	Not applicable	
Consultation/Community Engagement:	Chairmen of the relevant Scrutiny Committees Chairman of the Council	
Risks:	To comply with Special Urgency Rule 17 of Part 4.3 of the Council's Constitution, the decisions made by Cabinet are to be reported to Council and Rule 13 (call-in urgency) of Part 4.6 of the Council's Constitution that suspensions of Call-In in relation to urgent decisions made by Cabinet are to be reported to Council.	
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