NORTH WEST LEICESTERSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL



COUNCIL - TUESDAY, 30 JANUARY 2024

Title of Report	URGENT DECISIONS TAKEN BY CABINET	
Presented by	Councillor Richard Blunt Leader of the Council	
Background Papers	Council's Constitution Cabinet – 21 November 2023 Agenda for Cabinet on Tuesday, 9th January, 2024, 5.00 pm - North West Leicestershire District Council (nwleics.gov.uk)	Public Report: Yes
Financial Implications	Financial implications were taken into account by 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 o		aid Service: Yes
Purpose of Report	In accordance with the Council's Constitution, to formally report that 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 15 (call-in urgency) of Part 3, Section D 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 Five 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 the decisions made is detailed below:-
- 2.3 Cabinet Tuesday, 21 November 2023 –

Enforcement Agency Services

The approval of the Chairman of the Council was given to the exemption of the Council's Scrutiny Procedure rules in relation to the call-in of the decision on the item, since any call-in would prejudice the ability of the Council to sign a new contract before 30 November 2023 to meet the contract start date.

The Contract had been procured by the Leicestershire Revenues and Benefits Partnership team and so it was necessary that all partner authorities (NWLDC, Hinckley and Bosworth and Harborough) signed simultaneously.

2.4 Cabinet – Tuesday, 9 January 2024 –

Robustness Of Budget Estimates and Adequacy Of Reserves

Draft Capital Strategy, Treasury Management Strategy and Prudential Indicators

Draft General Fund Budget 2024/25

Draft Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Budget and Rents 2024/25

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 the draft budget for consultation until 9 January 2024. 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.

Policies and other considerations, as appropriate		
Council Priorities:	Planning and regeneration Clean, green and Zero Carbon Communities and housing A well-run council	
Policy Considerations:	As detailed on each report that was considered by Cabinet.	
Safeguarding:	As detailed on each report that was considered by Cabinet.	
Equalities/Diversity:	As detailed on each report that was considered by Cabinet.	
Customer Impact:	As detailed on each report that was considered by Cabinet.	
Economic and Social Impact:	As detailed on each report that was considered by Cabinet.	
Environment, Climate Change and Zero Carbon:	As detailed on each report that was considered by Cabinet.	
Consultation/Community/Tenant Engagement:	Chairman of the Council	
Risks:	To comply with Special Urgency Rule 15, Section C	

	of Part 3 of the Council's Constitution, the decisions made by Cabinet are to be reported to Council and Rule 15 (call-in urgency), Section D of Part 3 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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