



CABINET



20th JANUARY 2021

NOTICE OF DECISIONS

Publication Date of this Notice: - Thursday, 21st January 2021.

Deadline Date for Call-in of any decision: - 8.45 a.m. Thursday, 28th January 2021 up to that deadline the Chief Executive shall call-in a decision for scrutiny (except for matters of urgent business and decisions for Council) if so, requested by the Chairman or any three Members of the Scrutiny Committee. (During the current public health emergency standard practice for any urgent business item will be applied to a request for Call In.) If there is no call-in the decision will come into force on that deadline.

PART I **(Business taken in public)**

Agenda Item 2 (Minute No. 151) – Members’ Interests:
No declarations were made.

Agenda Item 3 (Minute No. 152) – Minutes
The Minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 18.11.2020 were approved as a correct record.

Agenda Item 4 (Minute No. 153) – Forward Plan
To comply with regulations under the Localism Act 2011, the Leader presented a revised Forward Plan to the meeting which outlined key decisions likely to be taken within the next quarter of 2020. The Plan is reviewed each month. Two items were included for consideration at the next meeting – Report on ASELA Joint Committee and a report on the Housing Management System.

Resolved – To note and approve the Forward Plan.
Under this item an update was provided regarding actions taken the heavy rain and flooding in the Borough last week.

An update was also given on implementation of the Covid national vaccination programme within the Borough.

Agenda Item 5 (Minute No. 154) – Planning Policy Update:
Cabinet considered a report on the findings of the Local Plan Authority Monitoring Report, the Brownfield Land Register, and the Housing Delivery Test Action Plan.

Resolved:

1. To note the findings of the Authority Monitoring Report.
2. To note the Brownfield Register 2020/21 and that any sites proposed for future registers and or the proposed inclusion of sites

- for Part 2 Permission in Principle will be reported to Cabinet as part of the approval process.
3. To note the Housing Delivery Test Action Plan noting to cover the period to April 2022.

Agenda Item 6 (Minute No. 155) – Getting Building Funding: Labworth Car Park Remodelling and Resurfacing Project Update

Cabinet received a report on the outcome of the Council's application to the South East Local Enterprise Partnership (SELEP) for Getting Building funding; the outcome of the procurement for the Labworth car park remodelling and resurfacing works; and the timetable for the works and the operational arrangements whilst the works are being undertaken.

Resolved: to note the contents of this report.

Agenda Item 7 (Minute No.156) – Health and Wellbeing Update

Cabinet considered a comprehensive report on work currently being undertaken to improve Health and Wellbeing in the Borough of Castle Point.

Resolved:

1. To note the content of the report and recognise the role of the Council in improving the health and wellbeing of the residents of Castle Point.
2. To commit to supporting the ongoing work of the Castle Point & Rochford Health & Wellbeing Board and to ensure that health and wellbeing considerations continue to be reflected in the Council's work and future plans.

Agenda Item 8 (Minute No. 157) - Finance Update

Cabinet considered a report providing the latest 2020/21 forecast in respect of the General Fund; updating on developments of a financial nature, which might impact on the Council's financial plans in respect of either the General Fund, Housing Revenue Account (HRA) or Capital Programme. Cabinet were also informed of developments in relation to the impacts of COVID-19 on the Council and the assistance received from Government.

Resolved:

1. To note the report and financial forecast at Appendix 1.
2. To note and agreed the changes to the Housing Revenue Account Capital Programme at Appendix 2.

Agenda Item 8 (Minute No. 158) – Annual Treasury Management Report Annual Report on the Treasury Management Service and Actual Prudential Indicators 2019/20

The Cabinet considered and scrutinised the annual treasury report which was a requirement of the Council's reporting procedures. It covered both the treasury activity and the actual Prudential Indicators for 2019/20.

The report met the requirements of both the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management and the CIPFA Prudential Code for Capital Finance in Local Authorities.

The Council was required to comply with both Codes through Regulations issued under the Local Government Act 2003.

Resolved:

That following scrutiny to approve the Treasury Management Activity Report for 2019/20, including the prudential indicators reported in Annexe D to the report.

Agenda Item 9 (Minute No. 159) – Housing Progress – Report back on Gas Servicing, Maintenance, Repairs and Electrical Testing Tender

Cabinet were provided with details of the tender process and the procurement of a contractor by the Housing Service for the delivery of the Gas Servicing, Maintenance, Repairs and Electrical Testing Contract.

Resolved:

Subject to the issue of the Standstill Period pursuant to the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and no legal challenge being received, to agreed to award the Contract for Gas Servicing, Maintenance, Repairs and Electrical Testing to Council owned housing properties to Aaron Services Ltd.

Agenda Item 11 (Minute No. 160) – Matters referred from / to Policy & Scrutiny Committees

There were no matters.

Agenda Item 12 (Minute No. 161) - Matters to be referred from / to the Standing Committees

There were no matters.

CONSULTATION

No matters.

David Marchant
Chief Executive