

NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET

30th November, 2016

A meeting of the Cabinet was held at the Town Hall, Nuneaton, on Wednesday, 30th November, 2016.

Present

Councillor D. Aldington	(Planning and Development)
Councillor D. Harvey	(Finance and Civic Affairs (Leader))
Councillor J.A. Jackson	(Housing and Communities (Deputy Leader))
Councillor I.K. Lloyd	(Arts and Leisure)
Councillor B.J. Longden	(Health and Environment)
Councillor G.D. Pomfrett	(Central Services)

CB46 **Minutes**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on the 2nd November, 2016 be approved and signed by the Chair.

CB47 **Declarations of Interest**

The Declarations of Interest for this meeting are as set out in the Schedule attached to these minutes.

CB48 **Quarterly Review of Strategic Performance Report (End of September 2016)**

A report from the Governance, Risk Management and Performance Officer was submitted which provided the Council's Strategic Performance Report for quarterly review by Cabinet.

RESOLVED that

- (a) the report be noted; and
- (b) Cabinet's thanks be extended to the officers for continuing to maintain high standards of service, despite increasing budget cuts.

Speakers:

Michele Kondakor
Councillor Keith Kondakor

Options:

1. To note the report
2. To note the report and request feedback on action being taken to improve indicators.

Reasons:

Concern over under-performance.

CB49 **General Fund and Housing Revenue Account Quarterly Budget Monitoring Report – Quarter 2 2016/17 Update**

A report from the Director – Finance and Procurement presented the 2016/17 forecast outturn position as at 30th September, 2016 for the General Fund and Housing Revenue Accounts budgets.

RESOLVED that

- (a) the forecast outturn position for 2016/17 for the General Fund and HRA be noted with regard to the key variances; and
- (b) it be recommended to Council that the updated General Fund capital budget for 2016/17, as attached at Appendix C, be approved.

Speakers:

Mr Baxter
Michele Kondakor
Councillor Keith Kondakor

Options:

1. To accept the recommendations within the report
2. To request further information on the forecast outturn position.

Reasons:

To achieve a balanced budget each year.

CB50 **Treasury Management 2016/17 – Mid Year Review**

The report of the Director – Finance and Procurement informing Cabinet of the requirement through the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy's (CIPFA) Code of Practice on Treasury Management to report to full Council a mid-year review report, which was adopted by the Council on 17th February, 2016 was considered.

RESOLVED that it be recommended to Council that:

- (a) the report be noted;
- (b) the changes to the prudential indicators, as detailed within the report and summarised at Appendix A to the report be approved; and

- (c) Cabinet's thanks be extended to officers for their work on treasury management.

Speakers:

Councillor Keith Kondakor

Options:

None – statutory requirement for treasury and prudential indicators to be approved by full Council.

Reasons:

To comply with the CIPFA Code of Treasury Management.

CB51 Local Council Tax Support Scheme for 2017/18

The Director – Finance and Procurement submitted a report which updated Cabinet on the administration of the Local Council Tax Support Scheme (LCTS) for 2016/17 and sought approval for the final LCTS scheme to take effect from 1st April, 2017.

RESOLVED that

- (a) it be recommended to Council that the proposed Local Council Tax Support Scheme for 1st April, 2017 onwards be approved; and
- (b) as the recommendations from the report require Council approval on 7th December, 2016, this report be marked not for call-in on the grounds of urgency.

Speakers:

Councillor Keith Kondakor

Options:

1. To accept the recommendations.
2. To propose an alternative scheme for 2017/18, taking into consideration timescales for consultation and implementation.

Reasons:

The Council is required to publish a Local Council Tax Support Scheme each year by 31st January.

CB52 Borough Plan Working Party

The report from the Director – Regeneration and Public Protection sought amendments to the composition of the Borough Plan Working Party.

RESOLVED that

- (a) the composition of the Borough Plan Working Party be amended to comprise six representatives from Labour Group (plus two substitutes) and

two representatives from the Conservative Group (plus one substitute);

- (b) the Leaders of both groups forward nominations for the Working Party to the Managing Director; and
- (c) the report be marked not for call in on the grounds of urgency.

Speakers:

Mr. J. Foster
Mr. K. Mayer
Councillor Keith Kondakor

Options:

1. Agree the recommendations.
2. Propose an alternative composition.
3. Disband the Working Party.

Reasons:

To reflect the political composition of the Council following the local elections on 5th May, 2016.

CB53 Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 – Policy Review

A report from the Director – Governance and Recreation sought approval of the Council policy on the use of surveillance pursuant to the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000.

RESOLVED that the Policy attached at Appendix A to the report be approved.

Speakers:

Councillor Keith Kondakor

Options:

1. To approve the Policy.
2. Not to approve the Policy.
3. To amend the Policy prior to approval.

Reasons:

The Policy sets out the legal requirements and Council's procedures for complying with surveillance under the legislation.

CB54 Review of Parliamentary Constituency Boundaries in England

A report from the Managing Director was submitted to Cabinet which presented further information regarding the proposed review of the Nuneaton Constituency following receipt of the report from the Boundary Commission for England (BCE).

RESOLVED that it be recommended to the Boundary Commission for England that Option A be the preferred Constituency for the Nuneaton and Bedworth Electoral Area i.e. that the wards of Nuneaton and Bedworth form a Parliamentary Constituency and be renamed the Nuneaton and Bedworth Parliamentary Constituency based on the criteria contained in the report with an electorate based on December 2015 of 94,500.

Speakers:

Councillor Keith Kondakor

Options:

1. To approve the recommendation
2. Do not approve the recommendation
3. Amend the recommendation

Reasons:

There is an opportunity to influence the shape of the Constituencies affecting the Borough. Option A best satisfies the community ties between Nuneaton and Bedworth, gives greater clarity for residents and the interests of residents are best served by one MP.

CB55 Recommendations from Overview and Scrutiny Panels

There were no recommendations from Overview and Scrutiny Panels.

CB56 Exclusion of Public and Press

RESOLVED that under section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item, it being likely that there would be disclosure of exempt information of the description specified in paragraph (iii) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

CB57 Grounds Maintenance Contracts Extension

A report from the Director – Governance and Recreation was submitted which outlined the proposal to extend the existing grounds maintenance contracts until 31st October, 2019.

RESOLVED that the proposals for an extension to the current grounds maintenance contracts as set out in the report be approved.

Options:

1. To approve the recommendation.
2. To not approve the recommendation.

Reasons:

The proposal would allow for the continuation of the existing level of service with an additional saving to the Council.

Chair

PUBLICATION DATE:

2ND DECEMBER, 2016

DECISIONS COME INTO FORCE:

12TH DECEMBER, 2016

Cabinet - Schedule of Declarations of Interests

	Name of Councillor	Disclosable Pecuniary Interest	Other Personal Interest	Dispensation
	General dispensations granted to all members under s.33 of the Localism Act 2011			Granted to all members of the Council in the areas of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Housing matters - Statutory sick pay under Part XI of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 - An allowance, payment given to members - An indemnity given to members - Any ceremonial honour given to members - Setting council tax or a precept under the Local Government Finance Act 1992 - Planning and Licensing matters - Allotments
	D. Harvey		Non-Executive Director with Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Enterprises Limited	Dispensation to speak & vote
	D. Harvey		Director on the Pride of Camphill Board	
	J. Jackson	Any matter relating to the Employment policies and procedures of Nuneaton & Bedworth Borough Council or SLM Community Leisure (by reason of her husband's employment with Nuneaton and		Dispensation to speak and vote on matters that do not relate specifically to her husband's contract of employment or the service unit in which he is employed

		Bedworth Borough Council and Sport and Leisure Management)		
	J. Jackson		Member of Warwickshire County Council	
	J. Jackson		Non-Executive Director with Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Enterprises Limited	Dispensation to speak & vote