

NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET

8th October 2025

A meeting of Cabinet was held on Wednesday 8th October, 2025 in the Council Chamber at the Town Hall.

Present

Councillor C. Watkins (Leader and Housing)
Councillor S. Hey (Deputy Leader and Resources & Central Services)
Councillor B. Hughes (Leisure & Health)
Councillor N. King (Business & Regeneration)
Councillor K. Price (Communities & Public Services)
Councillor T. Venson (Planning & Enforcement)

CB43 **Apologies**

None

CB44 **Declarations of Interest**

RESOLVED that the Declarations of Interest for this meeting are as set out in the Schedule published on the website.

CB45 **Minutes**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 10th September 2025, be approved, and signed by the Chair

CB46 **Bedworth Physical Activity Hub**

The Assistant Director – Recreation and Culture submitted a report to Cabinet updating them on Bedworth Physical Activity Hub (BPAH) and the Leisure Management Procurement.

RESOLVED that

- a) the progress on the BPAH be noted and further reports and updates be brought back to cabinet as appropriate; and
- b) the progress on entering the contract with the new leisure operator be noted.

Speakers:

County Councillor Keith Kondakor
Councillor Michele Kondakor

Options

- 1. To approve the recommendations noting the progress made.
- 2. To not approve the recommendations and make recommendations for future actions.

Reasons

To keep Cabinet informed on the progress of the BPAH.

CB47 Culture Update

The Assistant Director – Recreation and Culture submitted a report to Cabinet updating on the actions being delivered following the adoptions of the Culture Strategy and to gain approval to develop a large scale public art event.

RESOLVED that

- a) the Cultural update be noted and further reports and updates be brought back to Cabinet as appropriate; and
- b) the submission of an Expression of Interest (EOI) for a large scale cultural event be noted and that subject to approval of the EOI delegated authority be given to the Strategic Director for Public Services in consultation with the Assistant Director for Recreation & Culture, the Portfolio Holders for Leisure & Health and, Resources & Central Services to submit a formal bid and if successful accept the funding award from Arts Council England

Speakers:

County Councillor Keith Kondakor
Councillor Michele Kondakor

Options:

- 1. Do nothing - Failure to develop a Public Art Strategy and Cultural Compact will prevent the delivery of the adopted Cultural Strategy Actions being delivered and could stagnate Culture within Nuneaton and Bedworth.
- 2. Not approve entering the funding agreement - This would prevent national coverage of Nuneaton and Borough within the Cultural landscape and reduce the accessibility of large-scale cultural events to residents of the Borough.

Reasons:

To update on the actions taken on delivery of the Culture Strategy.

CB48 Consultation on the Budget 2026/27

The Strategic Director – Corporate Resources submitted a report to produce and run a public consultation as part of the Council's budget setting process for 2026/27.

RESOLVED that

- a) delegated authority be granted to the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Resources and Central Services to produce and run a public consultation ahead of the Council's budget setting for 2026/27; and
- b) the outcome of the consultation will be issued back no later than 18th February 2026 to ensure proposals for the 2026/2027 budget have considered the feedback provided in the consultation.

Speakers:

County Councillor Keith Kondakor
Councillor Michele Kondakor

Options:

1. To do nothing - The Council could choose to only comply with the letter of the legislative requirement and not consult on a wider public basis. However, it is widely recognised that public consultation is best practice.
2. Delay - Delaying consultation could risk misalignment with budget-setting timelines and reduce the opportunity for meaningful feedback. Furthermore, as the development of the Budget forms part of the Budget and Policy Framework under the Council Constitution, consultation shall be no less than eight (8) weeks. It is also noted that the budget will need to be finalised and included as a key report for 18th February 2026 Cabinet and Council meeting.

Reasons:

In line with statutory requirements and best practice, the Council recognises the importance of engaging with stakeholders in the budget-setting process.

CB49 Update on Regeneration Projects

The Strategic Director – Economy and Place submitted a report to Cabinet on the progress of the regeneration projects taking place within the Borough and to seek approval to enter into a lease agreement for the Leisure Unit contained in the Grayson Place Development on Abbey Street.

RESOLVED that

- a) the contents of the report and Dashboard be noted;
- b) delegated authority be granted to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Business and Regeneration, to secure and enter into a lease agreement for the leisure unit on Abbey Street; and
- c) the use of Phase 3 land as open space and external leisure provision be approved and that delegated authority be granted to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Business and Regeneration

Speakers:

County Councillor Keith Kondakor
Councillor Michele Kondakor

Options:

1. Do nothing - Could result in empty units and loss of revenue to the Council. Furthermore the regenerative impacts of the scheme may be lessened.
2. Amend - A risk, as significant amendments to what is proposed will likely lengthen the development scheme and may increase cost. A delay would result in a delay of revenue to the Council. Furthermore, the regenerative impacts of the scheme may be stalled.
3. Approve - Will allow for the most effective use of public resource both in terms of the new built development and the aesthetics of the whole area

Reasons:

To update on the delivery of the multiple regeneration projects in the Borough.

CB50 **Policy Update – Civic Enforcement Discretion and PCN Cancellation Policy – Car Parking**

The Assistant Director – Economy & Regeneration submitted a report to Cabinet seeking approval on the updated Civil Enforcement Discretion and PCN Cancellation Policy.

RESOLVED that the Civil Enforcement Discretion and PCN Cancellation Policy as at Appendix A of the report be approved

Speakers:

Councillor Michele Kondakor

Options:

1. Do nothing - Enforcement authority must maintain policies that reflect current legislation and provide fair and transparent process for appeal and allow for case-by-case discretion.

Reasons:

To update the policy to ensure it reflects current legislation and provide fair and transparent process for appeal and allow for case by case discretion.

CB51 **Recommendations from Overview and Scrutiny Panels**

None

CB52 **Any Other Items**

None

Chair

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