

NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET

14th October, 2020

A meeting of Cabinet was held on Wednesday 14th October, 2020. Due to government guidance during the COVID-19 pandemic this meeting was held virtually at various remote locations and live streamed.

Present

Councillor J. Beaumont	(Planning, Development and Health)
Councillor I.K. Lloyd	(Arts and Leisure (Deputy Leader))
Councillor C.M. Watkins	(Housing and Communities)

Apologies received from Councillors J.A. Jackson (Finance and Civic Affairs (Leader)) and J. Sheppard (Central Services and Refuse)

PART I – PUBLIC BUSINESS

CB35 Declarations of Interest

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

CB36 Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 9th September, 2020, be approved and signed by the Chair.

CB37 NBBC Leisure Facilities Needs Assessment and Strategy

The Director – Leisure, Recreation and Health submitted a report to Cabinet providing them with a refreshed 2020 Leisure Facility Needs Assessment and Strategy (LFNAS). This LFNAS strategy updated the previous 2017 adopted strategy of the Sport, Recreation & Community Facility document.

The strategy will provide this Council with its medium to long-term leisure planning, using current data and evidence. Sport England advises as good practice to update this strategy every five years.

RESOLVED that

- a) the NBBC Leisure Facility Needs Assessment and Strategy be adopted and agreed to work towards delivery of the actions, with Bedworth Leisure Centre as its key priority; and
- b) the future design and affordability appraisals be approved and undertaken with the RIBA stages and brought back to Cabinet.

Speakers:

Michele Kondakor
Councillor K. Kondakor

Options

Do not approve the recommendation

Reasons

The completed strategy has been externally undertaken, using evidence and data from Sport England's Facility Planning Modelling, feedback from the Councils recent Public Consultation with residents, stakeholders, Clubs and Members. The strategy provides a medium to long-term plan for supporting resident's health and well-being in the Borough with recommendations for sustainable leisure facility provision based upon evidence with its limited financial resources.

CB38 NBBC Leisure Facilities Options – Strategic Outcomes Planning Guidance

The Director – Leisure, Recreation and Health submitted a report to Cabinet with the revised Sports England's Strategic Outcomes Planning Guidance (SOPG) document (Appendix A of the report), following public consultation, stakeholders, and Club feedback in February this year.

RESOLVED that

- a) the Strategic Outcomes Planning Guidance document be approved as its final version and submission to Sport England;
- b) the three leisure capital investment projects Bedworth Leisure Centre (Bedworth Physical Activity Hub replacement), Pingles Leisure Centre (Pingles Physical Activity Hub replacement) and Top Farm Activity Hub, as all new builds be approved;
- c) the priority project be approved as the replacement of the Bedworth site as soon as practicably possible;
- d) the Destination Concept Plans for the Miners Welfare and Riversley Parks sites be adopted and form part of the overall Leisure and Parks strategy and vision for "Active Environments" in this Borough for many years to come; and
- e) following advice given by Sport England, it be approved that RIBA Stage one be undertaken at this time for the Pingles new build option, which can be accommodated in the existing capital build programme;

Speakers:

Michele Kondakor
Councillor Keith Kondakor

Options

Do not approve the recommendations

Reasons

The updated Strategic Outcomes Planning Guidance document provides the evidence and information for this Council to move forward with its medium to long-term vision for Leisure and its Destination Parks planning vision, which includes health and well-being. The development of this document supports the Councils Leisure Facility Needs Assessment and Strategy and the outcome from the recent approved Facility Planning Modelling information from Sport England at Cabinet on 9th September 2020.

CB39 COVID-19 Strategic Recovery Plan

The Executive Director – Resources and Executive Director - Operations presented a report to Cabinet detailing the COVID -19 Strategic Recovery Plan 2020 - 2022

RESOLVED that

- a) the COVID Strategic Recovery Plan for 2020-22 be endorsed;
- b) delegated authority be given to the Executive Directors – Resources and Operations to make amendments to the plan to reflect the latest situation with the COVID pandemic and emerging government policy;
- c) an update of the Plan be brought back to Cabinet in March 2021; and
- d) the Internal Overview and Scrutiny Panel be invited to consider the plan and make any recommendations for amendments or additions

Speakers:

Michele Kondakor
Councillor Keith Kondakor

Options

- 1) To not accept the recommendations
- 2) To propose changes to the plan

Reasons

To ensure that the Council recovers from the COVID-19 pandemic in the most efficient way and that resources are prioritised appropriately

CB40 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 paragraphs 3 of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Act.

PART II – PRIVATE BUSINESS

CB41 NBBC – Leisure Facilities Management COVID-19 Update

The Director – Leisure, Recreation and Health provided a report to Cabinet with an update following the COVID-19 outbreak in March this year. The update impact for leisure delivery and measures put in place to support the long-term delivery of leisure from its Council facilities and leisure contract partner.

RESOLVED that

- a) the update and continued partnership working with Everyone Active for the Nuneaton and Bedworth Leisure Management Contract be noted;
- b) delegated authority be given to the Executive Director – Resources to agree an interim financial arrangement for November to March 2021, capped at £180,000 as an additional financial support if required, after taking into account any savings from the service changes proposed by Everyone Active; and
- c) this report be marked not for call in due to the timescales involved in committing to an agreement with the Leisure Contractor.

Speakers:

Councillor Tricia Elliott

Options

To reject the recommendation

Reasons

The leisure contract is a key contract for the Council and its delivery of leisure, physical health, and well-being to residents. The partnership with Everyone Active has been very positive during these unprecedented times. The medium-term planning is not possible currently, due to having limited data, evidence, and feedback on market recovery for the financial delivery of the agreed contract.

Interim short-term agreements have been put in place to safeguard the long-term delivery of leisure and the contract. These are bespoke and commercially sensitive to each individual contract. This is the same for all Councils across the Country with external leisure contracts in place. Everyone Active have also asked the Council to consider service delivery saving as part of the overall financial situation, detailed in the main report.

CB42 Town Centre Regeneration Update

The Director – Regeneration and Housing presented the Masterplan for the Abbey Street regeneration scheme to Cabinet and to set out the approach to bringing the proposed redevelopment forward.

RESOLVED that

- a) the Masterplan for the proposed development at Abbey Street at Appendix A of the report be approved;
- b) delegated authority be given to the Executive Director - Resources to finalise terms for the inclusion of the proposed hotel within the proposed development;
- c) delegated authority be given to the Executive Director - Resources to take all appropriate steps to deliver Phase 1 of the proposed development, using the available Capital Programme provision in 2020/21;
- d) delegated authority be given to the Executive Director – Resources to conclude the purchase of 25 Abbey Street;
- e) delegated authority be given to the Executive Director – Resources to put the necessary financial arrangements outlined in the report in hand to enable Phase 1 of the proposed development to proceed;
- f) delegated authority be given to the Executive Director – Resources to put the necessary financial arrangements in place to progress the design stage of Phase 2;
- g) a further report be brought back to Cabinet to request financial resources to progress the delivery of Phase 2 of the proposed development at the appropriate time;
- h) the Council continues to explore further opportunities to secure external financial support to aid the delivery of the proposed development;
- i) it be agreed that the Council make a resolution for a Compulsory Purchase Order at the appropriate time; and
- j) the decision be marked not for Call-in on the grounds of urgency and commercial expediency.

Speakers

Councillor Keith Kondakor

Options

To reject the recommendations

Reasons

To enable the Council to progress the regeneration of the Abbey Street

Chair

PUBLICATION DATE: 27th October, 2020

DECISIONS COME INTO FORCE: 4th November, 2020

Cabinet – Schedule of Declarations of Interests 2020/21

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 - Local Enterprise Partnership
J. Beaumont		Board member of Bulkington Community Library CIC in addition to an unpaid Manager of the library. Representative on the following Outside Bodies: •Nuneaton and Bedworth Older People's Forum	
J.A Jackson	Any matter relating to the employment policies and procedures of Nuneaton & Bedworth Borough Council or any matter relating to the contractual arrangements with Sport & Leisure Management Ltd.	Unite the Union	Dispensation to speak and vote on matters that do not relate specifically to her husband's contract of employment.
		Non Executive Director with Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Enterprises Limited	Dispensation to speak and vote
		Representative on the following Outside Bodies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coventry, Warwickshire & Hinckley and Bosworth Joint Committee • District Leaders • Local Government Association • Local Enterprise Partnership • West Midlands Combined Authority 	

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	I. Lloyd		Non Executive Director with Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Enterprises Limited.	Dispensation to speak and vote
			Representative on the following Outside Bodies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nuneaton & Bedworth Sports Forum • Camp Hill Urban Village and Pride in Camp Hill • Poor's Piece Charity • Committee of Management of Hartshill & Nuneaton Recreation Group 	
	J. Sheppard		Partnership member of the Hill Top and Caldwell Big Local.	
			Director of Wembrook Community Centre.	Dispensation to speak and vote on any matters of Borough Plan that relate to the Directorship of Wembrook Community Centre
			Member of the Management Committee at the Mental Health Drop in.	
			Champion for Safeguarding (Children & Adults) Representative on the following Outside Bodies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Government Superannuation Scheme Consultative Board • Warwickshire Direct Partnership • Warwickshire Waste Partnership • West Midland Employers • Nuneaton Neighbour Watch Committee 	
	C.M Watkins	Landlord of a privately rented property	Representative on the following outside bodies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nuneaton and Bedworth Home Improvement Agency. • Nuneaton and Bedworth Safer and Stronger Communities Partnership. • Safer Warwickshire Partnership Board. 	

	Name of Councillor	Disclosable Pecuniary Interest	Other Personal Interest	Dispensation
			<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Warwickshire Housing Support Partnership.• Warwickshire Police and Crime Panel.	