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RECORD OF DECISIONS AT A MEETING OF THE CABINET

Tuesday, 17th April, 2018 at 10.00 am

Decisions Published on Thursday 19 April 2018

Decisions will be implemented on Friday 27 April 2018 unless the Call-in Procedure as outlined in Procedure Rule 206 is invoked.

PRESENT: Mr O Hemsley
Mr N Begy
Mr G Brown
Mr A Walters
Mr D Wilby

APOLOGIES: Mr R Foster

OFFICERS

PRESENT:	Mrs R Armstrong	Planning Policy Officer
	Mrs H Briggs	Chief Executive
	Mr D Brown	Director for Places (Environment, Planning & Transport)
	Mr S Della Rocca	Assistant Director – Finance
	Ms K Kibblewhite	Head of Commissioning
	Mrs D Mogg	Director for Resources
	Dr T O'Neill	Director for People
	Mr N Tomlinson	Senior Highways Manager
	Mr J von der Voelsungen	Parking Services Manager
	Mrs N Taylor	Governance Manager

761 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Mr R Foster.

762 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN AND/OR HEAD OF THE PAID SERVICE

There were no announcements from the Chairman or the Head of Paid Service.

763 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interests.

764 RECORD OF DECISIONS

The record of decisions made by Cabinet on 20 March 2018, copies of which had been previously circulated, were confirmed by Cabinet.

765 ITEMS RAISED BY SCRUTINY

Mrs L Stephenson, Chairman of Adults and Health Scrutiny Panel, had submitted an item to the Leader, on behalf of the Adults and Health Scrutiny Panel, in relation the LLR Clinical Commissioning Group.

The Leader invited Mrs Stephenson to read the submission as follows:

Cabinet members have received the notes from the chair of the previous Adults and Health Scrutiny panel meeting held on Thursday 5th April. Further to these notes the panel would like the following to be brought to the attention of cabinet:

As a panel we are increasingly concerned by the CCG. Over the last two years we have received many strategies for consideration of the scrutiny panel; the opening preamble invariably speaks of 'fragmentation' in services and emphasises the need for all agencies / stakeholders to be working together in order to provide services that are sustainable.

We have now had the STP on our forward plan for several meetings but it has yet to materialise. Our understanding is that this document is crucial in terms of providing a blue print for how services can indeed be coordinated to avoid fragmentation and ensure that the various agencies / stakeholders are indeed working together.

On Thursday evening we had the representatives from the Leicester hospitals giving a presentation about the intensive treatment units. During this presentation it was made very clear that the strategy had been formulated under tight time scales driven by fiscal need and was separate from the STP.

We also received the LLR dementia strategy; a paper of some considerable significance for Rutland when considering the current and future demographic of our population. We have yet to see how this strategy fits with the overarching STP.

The Mental Health task and finish group has identified information that only the CCG can provide as a crucial starting point for its work. The group needs to know the statistical context for the varied mental health services that are currently available for the residents of Rutland before it can consider individual case studies and how these fit with the strategy. The group has now been asking for specific data since December 18th 2017. We have yet to meet the associate director of commissioning and contracting from the CCG. Whilst there have been good reasons for 2 postponements of meetings at which the group were due to meet Mr. Bosworth, it has been a drawn out process setting dates and the CCG seemingly have nothing in place to mitigate against unforeseen circumstances by sending an equally knowledgeable colleague to meet with the group.

We have therefore, in one meeting of the panel covered crucial areas that need addressing by the CCG:

- Communication

- *Partnership working*
- *Planning to meet timescales*
- *Strategic thinking that demonstrates an holistic approach to meeting the health needs of the population*

We hope that the portfolio holder will, in his capacity as chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board raise these concerns. The CCG must offer assurance with substance and be held to account for the delays in the STP. The future needs of our population are reliant on the CCG working effectively and efficiently. The panel currently lacks confidence in the ability of the CCG to do this.

Mr A Walters, Portfolio Holder for Health, Adult Social Services, and Community Safety, provided a response as follows:

I am grateful to Cllr Stephenson for her timely intervention.

There are a number of areas of concern identified, and I share her frustration.

Firstly, I must say that Rutland has an excellent record of working with partners including the CCG at a local level. For example, our successes at preventing delayed transfer of care from hospital are the envy of many other authorities. We could not have achieved this progress without the support of our partners, and we must take care to not be over-critical of our partners who may themselves be frustrated by procedures imposed on them from higher authorities.

That having been said, I share the frustration that the authority continues to receive strategies seemingly piecemeal, that we still await a clear plan for Rutland, and that we have been largely uninvolved in the production of the STP as a strategic piece of work. Of course, our work on the Rutland Hub may help to alleviate our frustration, and the CCG is also looking at an alternative should the Hub not be achievable for any reason.

I support the recent decision by Leicestershire County Council that, the STP once published, it is clearly identified as a document of the NHS, and that we are not joint publishers of the plan.

I also support the call for a review of the methodology of the plan and lack of engagement with local authorities. To this end I am particularly frustrated that the name was changed from Sustainability and Transformation Plan – to the Sustainability and Transformation Partnership.

I will be meeting with the CEO after this meeting, to discuss possible future arrangements for the three CCGs in the LLR region. At the same meeting I will discuss our concerns regarding the STP and the response from Leicestershire.

In respect of failure to provide information from the CCG to the Task and Finish group – I do not recall having this brought to my attention before, but will of course stand corrected if need be. I am happy to speak directly to the CCG or to ask senior officers to do so on behalf of the authority and would hope to be kept informed of any progress and indeed any further delays.

Mrs Briggs, Chief Executive, also confirmed that she would be attending a meeting with Dr O'Neill, Director for People, and senior colleagues across health from the three

local authorities on 19 April 2018. The meeting was in relation to the Sustainability and Transformation Partnership and would provide an opportunity to raise concerns as expressed by the Portfolio Holder and Chair of Adults and Health Scrutiny Panel.

766 HOMECARE RECOMMISSIONING

Report No. 69/2018 from the Director for People Services was received.

Mr A Walters, Portfolio Holder for Health and Adult Social Care, introduced the report, the purpose of which was to seek approval from Cabinet to extend the current homecare services contracts until 31 March 2019.

DECISION

Cabinet **APPROVED** the extension of the current homecare contracts to 31 March 2019 as set out in Section 3.5 of the report.

Reasons for the decision

1. The Council requires homecare services to support people to remain independent in the community and in their own home. The contract with the existing providers is due to expire and a contract is required whilst procurement is undertaken.
2. Alternative options are not deemed suitable at this point in time, as this would risk leaving a gap in service provision.
3. It is recommended therefore that Cabinet approves the extension of the current contracts to allow for a full reprocurement to take place for the provision of homecare services.

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Ms K Kibblewhite left the meeting and did not return.

Mr N Tomlinson joined the meeting.

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767 SIGNS GUIDANCE & STREET FURNITURE POLICY

Report No. 67/2018 from the Director for Places (Environment, Planning and Transport) was received.

Mr N Begy, Deputy Chair and Portfolio Holder for Planning Policy and Planning Operations, Highways & Transport and Communications, introduced the report, the purpose of which was for Cabinet to consider a revised signs guidance and street furniture policy for Rutland.

During discussion the following points were raised:

- i. An inventory of existing organisations with brown tourism signs was being undertaken and these organisations would be contacted to ensure the sign were still required and informed of the new policy;
- ii. Licenses currently held for Pavement Café's would not change;

- iii. Complaints regarding Pavement Café's would be addressed by the Highways Inspector, inspection of premises would take place monthly; and
- iv. Complaints regarding A-Boards could be directed through the "Fix My Street" portal and inspections would also occur monthly.

DECISION

Cabinet **APPROVED** the Rutland Signs Guidance and Street Furniture Policy in Appendix 1 of Report No. 67/2018.

Reasons for the decision

1. That the Draft policy (Appendix 1) is approved to minimize sign clutter, control unauthorised signs, ensure highway safety and make the town centres more attractive.

768 LOCAL FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

Report No. 68/2018 from the Director for Places (Environment, Planning and Transport) was received.

Mr N Begy, Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Planning Policy and Planning Operations, Highways & Transport and Communications, introduced the report, the purpose of which was for Cabinet to consider the draft Local Flood Risk Management Strategy (LFRMS).

During discussion the following points were raised:

- i. There were a number of responsible agencies including the Environment Agency, who were responsible for "main river" flooding;
- ii. Emergency response to flooding was covered by emergency planning procedures prepared in conjunction with the Local Resilience Partnership and updated on a regular basis;
- iii. The action plan would be updated with reference to alignment with planning policies, to coincide with the Local Plan time table; and
- iv. To date approximately 7 Parish Councils had established their own flood action plans, this would be raised as a future agenda item at Parish Council Forum.

DECISION:

Cabinet **APPROVED** the Local Flood Risk Management Strategy attached as appendix 1 Report No. 68/2018.

Reasons for the decision

1. The Council is required to produce a Local Flood Risk Management Strategy.

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Mr J von der Voelsungen joined the meeting.

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769 PARKING REVIEW

Report No. 64/2018 from the Director for Places (Environment, Planning and Transport) was received.

Mr N Begy, Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Planning Policy and Planning Operations, Highways & Transport and Communications, introduced the report, the purpose of which was to consider amendments and additions to parking restrictions.

During discussion the following points were raised:

- i. The change proposed for Derwent Drive, Oakham was supported by residents according to a recent consultation;
- ii. There was a statutory duty to carry out consultation before making Traffic Regulation Orders. The outcome of those consultations and any objections would be considered in accordance with the delegation requested in recommendation 1);
- iii. Cabinet requested that the following requests currently listed as “not recommended” in appendix 1, be changed to “recommended” (Changes highlighted in appended revised copy of appendix 1):
 - Kilburn End, Oakham – by play area
 - Main Street, Greetham – outside shop
 - Main Street, Whissendine – outside shop

DECISION:

1. Cabinet **APPROVED** the recommended amendments and additions to parking restrictions listed in Appendix 1 and 2 of Report No. 64/2018, including the additional requests listed above and delegated the consideration of any objections to the statutory consultation for the Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO's) to the Director for Places (Environment, Planning and Transport) in consultation with the Ward Members and Portfolio Holder, along with the authority to modify the proposed TROs.
2. Cabinet **APPROVED** a six month trial of two hour free parking at Catmose on Saturdays.

Reasons for the decision

The recommended amendments and additions to parking restrictions will help to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, the safe and expeditious movement of traffic while providing adequate parking to support the local economy and the needs of residents.

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Mr J von der Voelsungen left the meeting and did not return.

Mr N Tomlinson left the meeting and did not return.

Mrs R Armstrong joined the meeting.

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770 RUTLAND LOCAL PLAN PRE-SUBMISSION

Report No. 71/2018 from the Chief Executive was received.

Mr N Begy, Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Planning Policy and Planning Operations, Highways & Transport and Communications, introduced the report, the purpose of which was to:

1. Set out a revised timetable for the delivery of the Local Plan. It was recommended that the timetable was amended in order to fully incorporate the implications of potential development of St Georges barracks into the Local Plan. This would entail undertaking an additional round of non-statutory public consultation and commissioning of appropriate evidence, prior to producing the next version of the Local Plan. This additional consultation, which would be specifically focused on considering the implications of any potential development at St Georges, would help to appropriately shape the form and content of the new Local Plan for Rutland.
2. The new Local Plan would help to guide proposals for growth and investment in Rutland up to 2036. It would provide greater certainty to all parties regarding the local development processes and proposed planning policies for Rutland. The preparation of a new local Plan provided the opportunity for all our communities to help shape what the County would look like over the next 15-20 years, thereby creating the policy framework that would help guide all investment and development decisions over the plan period. It would also allow the Council to set out its ambitions for the future growth and prosperity of Rutland.
3. The updated recommended timetable for the production of the new Local Plan was set out in the report and the accompanying revised Local Development Scheme (LDS).

During discussions the following points were raised:

- i. Responses from the previous consultation on the Local Plan were being used to inform the draft plan and a report of consultation responses would be published alongside the next version of the Plan. Feedback on the incorporation of the potential development of St Georges would be captured in the next round of consultation;
- ii. South Kesteven were slightly further in the process with their Local Plan than Rutland. With regard to the potential development of land to the north of Stamford, a draft Memorandum of Cooperation had been produced which would guide South Kesteven and Rutland in the formulation of a master plan for the development of this site;
- iii. Consultations would be in line with statutory requirements. It was not always possible for the consultation periods to avoid peak holiday periods, but clear communications would be provided on the timetable and consultation periods to ensure that Parish Councils and members of the public were kept informed. A press release would be prepared following the Cabinet Meeting with details regarding the timetable and information would also be updated on the website;
- iv. The infrastructure implications of the potential development north of Stamford (Quarry Farm) were being addressed, officers from both Rutland and South Kesteven were working together to assess highways, education and health implications;
- v. Potential development on the Quarry Farm site would contribute to the assessed housing need of South Kesteven.

DECISION

Cabinet **APPROVED** the updated Local Development Scheme appended to Report No. 71/2018.

Reasons for the decision

1. The report sets out a revised timetable for the production of the Local Plan in order to fully incorporate the implications of any potential development at St. Georges into the document. A further stage of specific consultation regarding this is proposed to help shape the form and content of the new Local Plan. Revisions to the Local Development Scheme are recommended to reflect this timetable as well as the joint working arrangements in relation to the proposed development of land on the north of Stamford and the intention to produce a Design SPD.

771 ANY ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

No items of urgent business had previously been notified to the Chairman.

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The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 10.55 am.

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Appendix 1: Public Requests

Town / Village	Street	Location	Request Summary	Parish or Town Council Support Y/N	Ward Member Support Y/N	In Accordance with Policy Y/N	Policy Ref	Recommended Y/N	Officer Comments
Oakham	Park Lane	west end	Double yellow lines	Y	1 of 2, pending other	Y	PP5	Y	
Oakham	Brooke Road	between zigzags and Trent Road, both sides	(Double) Yellow lines	Y	YY	Y	PP10	Y	
Oakham	Northgate	all residents bays	Allow D permits on Northgate	Y	YY	Y	PP18	Y	In practice already due to roadworks.
Oakham	Kilburn End	by play area	Double yellow lines	Y	Y	N	PP8	Y	
Oakham	Derwent Drive	both sides from bridge over brook to Braunston Road	Residents and limited waiting bays and yellow lines	Y	YY	Y	PP5	Y	
Uppingham	South View	south kerb, east of graveyard	Replace access bar with double yellow lines and extend bay westwards by 1 car length	Y	YYY	Y	PP5	Y	Needed due to access to development
Greetham	Main Street	outside shop	Limited waiting bay	Y	Y	N	PP8	Y	
Hambleton	Ketton Road	south kerb outside 1-3 Post Office Cottages	Residents bay	Y	Y	N	PP18	N	
Whissendine	Main Street	outside shop	Limited waiting bay	Y	Y	N	PP8	Y	

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