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### **RECORD OF DECISIONS AT A MEETING OF THE CABINET**

Tuesday, 20th October, 2015 at 9.30 am

Decisions Published on Thursday 22 October 2015.

Decisions will be implemented on Friday 30 October 2015 unless the Call-in Procedure as outlined in Procedure Rule 206 is invoked.

- PRESENT: Mr R Begy Mr T King Mr R Foster Mr T Mathias Mr D Wilby
- APOLOGIES: Mr R Clifton

OFFICERS PRESENT:	Mr M Andrews Mr S Della Rocca Mr T O'Neill	Deputy Director for People Deputy Director - Finance Director for People and Deputy
	Mr P Phillipson	Chief Executive Director for Places
	Mrs N Brown	Team Coordinator - Corporate Support Team

# 301 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN AND/OR HEAD OF THE PAID SERVICE

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

#### 302 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

#### 303 RECORD OF DECISIONS

The Record of Decisions made by the Cabinet on 15 September 2015, copies of which had been previously circulated, were confirmed by the Cabinet.

#### 304 ITEMS RAISED BY SCRUTINY

The Leader had not been notified of any items raised by Scrutiny.

#### 305 FUTURE OF RESOURCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

(KEY DECISION)

Report No. 193/2015 from the Director for Resources was received.

The Portfolio Holder for Places (Development and Economy) and Resources, Mr T King, introduced the report, the purpose of which was to inform Cabinet of the status of the Resource Management System ('Agresso'), appraise Cabinet of the options available to the Council and agree a way forward.

During Consideration the following points were noted:

- i. It was expected that Hoople would provide an update on the costings for supporting and hosting the Agresso system and it was envisaged that this would be within the Council's Budget and delivered by the 1<sup>st</sup> April deadline;
- ii. It would be desirable to create another partner which also shares a lot of similar rural issues as Rutland;
- iii. There was a preference for the system to be hosted externally;
- iv. There should be a real partnership with the provider, with provision for early notification should they decide to change their systems;
- v. Officers had requested the contact details for two of Hoople's external customers so that their views and any lessons learnt on the process could be obtained;
- vi. Audit Reports had also been requested from authorities which used Hoople in order to highlight any issues identified; and
- vii. If the anticipated savings were not realised in the finalised costings, the report should be brought back to Cabinet.

#### DECISIONS

- 1) Cabinet **DELEGATED** the authority to pursue options for the future provision of the Resource Management System in line with the objectives set out in para 3.1 to the Director of Resources in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Resources;
- Cabinet APPROVED the consideration of options involving collaborative working with other Council's recognising that formal agreement of those options will require Cabinet approval; and
- 3) Cabinet **APPROVED** that the existing under spends (£100k) in the IT budget are made available to fund the upgrade of Agresso.

#### Reason(s) for the Decision(s)

The Council is required to upgrade its Resource Management System at some point. The lowest risk option is to do this externally with a provider or local authority partner. Officers wish to prioritise working with another local authority as they believe this will provide a viable alternative. Cabinet is being asked to agree this way forward and allow IT under spends to be used to fund the project.

## 306 LOCAL PLAN REVIEW (LPR) ISSUES AND OPTIONS CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

Report No. 189/2015 from the Director for Places (Development and Economy) was received.

The Portfolio Holder for Places (Development and Economy) and Resources, Mr T King, introduced the report, the purpose of which was to consider the Rutland Local Plan Review Issues and Options document prior to going out to consultation with local community and key stakeholders.

During Consideration the following points were noted:

- i. Scrutiny meetings had highlighted that work needed to be done around community engagement and officers had done some work on the wording to ensure that it was in plain and understandable language;
- ii. Consultation meetings would provide the opportunity for members of the public to have their questions answered and to seek clarification;
- iii. A meeting with the Planning Advisory Service had highlighted that the Neighbourhood Plan for Oakham may not achieve sufficient allocation of land for business growth and that a major site, or core document might produce better results;
- iv. Industrial land was more difficult to secure than land for housing;
- v. A list has been drawn up of all the consultees. This list included Cambridgeshire County Council and Hanson Cement as it was felt that some further clarification should be sought into whether Thistleton Quarry might be considered a potential source of aggregate for the A14 development;
- vi. The documents and community engagement sessions would be well publicised and the local community were being urged to come forward with their comments and ideas; and
- vii. In areas where Neighbourhood Plans were being, or had been developed, consultation and community involvement would have taken place. The community in these areas may find that knowledge of the Neighbourhood Plan Process would assist with responding to the Local Plan Review.

#### DECISIONS

- 1) Cabinet **APPROVED** the Rutland Local Plan Review Issues and Options consultation document set out in Appendix A to this report; and
- 2) Cabinet **AUTHORISED** publication of the document for consultation with the local community and key stakeholders.

#### Reason(s) for the Decision(s)

The Issues and Options document is the first public consultation stage in preparing a review of the existing Rutland Local Plan. It sets out the key issues and options to be considered in order to support the development growth planned as part of the LPR for the period up to 2036. Subject to approval by Cabinet, it is intended that the document will be published for consultation with the local community and key stakeholders from mid-November 2015 to mid-January 2016. Following public consultation, responses to the document will be assessed and a report brought back to the Members for consideration in drawing up a "Preferred Options" version of the document. The Council will need to consider all 'reasonable alternatives' for development before preparing a Preferred Options document. This will set out the Council's strategy for development and the proposed planning policies of the Local Plan. It is anticipated that consultation on the Preferred Options will take place in August/September 2016.

#### 307 ANY ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

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

---0Oo---The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 10.05 am. ---0Oo---