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

Tuesday, 30th October, 2018 at 10.00 am

**Decisions Published on Thursday 1 November 2018** 

Decisions will be implemented on Friday 9 November 2018 unless the Call-in Procedure as outlined in Procedure Rule 206 is invoked.

**PRESENT:** Mr O Hemsley

Mr G Brown Mr R Foster Mr A Walters

Mrs L Stephenson

**OFFICERS** Mrs H Briggs Chief Executive

**PRESENT:** Mr S Della Rocca Strategic Director for Resources

Mr S Ingrams Strategic Director for Places

Mr M Andrews Director for People

Mr R Ranson Planning Policy Manager

Mrs J Morley Governance Officer

## 357 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Mr Wilby.

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

The Chairman reminded members of the public that they were permitted to film, blog, tweet or take photographs of the meeting but if they did, to do so without causing a disturbance to the meeting proceedings. The Chairman also pointed out that members of the public who were not part of the meeting had not consented to being recorded and therefore should not be included in any recording activity.

### 359 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

#### 360 RECORD OF DECISIONS

The Record of Decisions made at the meeting of the Cabinet held on 16 October 2018, copies of which had been previously circulated, was confirmed.

#### 361 ITEMS RAISED BY SCRUTINY

There were no items raised by Scrutiny.

## 362 ST GEORGE'S BARRACKS MASTER PLAN

Report No. 195/2018 was received from the Chief Executive.

Mrs Helen Briggs, Chief Executive, introduced the report the purpose of which was to provide Cabinet with a progress report on the St George's Barracks project further to the report of March 2018.

During discussion the following points were noted:

 Under the revised timetable, the St George's Evolving Masterplan and draft HIF Business case would now be heard by Cabinet on 18 December 2018. The Growth, Infrastructure and Resources Scrutiny Panel could utilise the existing meeting schedule or call a special meeting to table this item if desired.

## **DECISIONS:**

Cabinet **NOTED** the progress update in respect of the St George's Barracks Project and in particular the revised dates for the presentation of formal reports to Cabinet and Council at paragraph 5.1

Reasons for the decision

Progress is in line with the programme.

#### 363 RUTLAND LOCAL PLAN

Report No. 194/2018 was received from the Strategic Director for Resources.

Mr Gordon Brown, Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Environment, Finance, Planning and Property, introduced the report the purpose of which was to update Cabinet on progress with the preparation of the Local Plan and to recommend the next steps to be followed. These recommended steps were intended to ensure that the plan was sound, positively prepared, justified, effective and consistent with national policy and legally compliant.

During discussion the following points were noted:

- Mr Walters asked whether the delay in the preparation of the new Local Plan would leave the Council vulnerable to inappropriate and unwarranted development proposals. However because of the Plan already in place, the Council was in as good as a position as it could be.
- Given the considerable additional work required to produce a revised Local Plan, together with extra time needed to assess the Government's latest announcement on household projections, the Cabinet Member reserved judgement on whether the May target for submission to Cabinet would be achieved.

#### **DECISIONS:**

- 1. Cabinet considered the report setting out progress with the preparation of the Local Plan for Rutland and **AGREED** to:
  - a. Fully consider consultation responses received;
  - b. Take account of the revised housing requirement and Government's proposed consultation on the methodology to determine what our "minimum" requirement would be and the subsequent implications for making appropriate and suitable allocations in the Pre-Submission Local Plan accordingly, noting that the timing of this consultation remained uncertain:
  - c. Consider the Woolfox Proposal to determine whether it was realistic and deliverable and if so, to undertake the appropriate site assessments, update the evidence base and consultation.
- 2. Cabinet **DELEGATED** authority to the Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Environment, Finance, Planning and Property, in consultation with the Interim Director for Places, to agree the form and nature of any additional consultation which may be required to produce the Pre-Submission Local Plan with respect to the Woolfox Garden Village, should the site be considered as a realistic and deliverable proposition.
- 3. Cabinet **RESOLVED** that a revised Local Development Scheme was prepared for approval by Cabinet at the earliest opportunity

#### Reason for the decisions

The report sets out the implications for the Local Plan regarding:

- The new National Planning Policy Framework;
- The new 2016 household projections and the Government's intention to consult on a revised standard methodology for calculating the minimum housing requirement;
- The late submission to propose a Garden Village at Woolfox;
- All aspects of public consultation.

The next stage in the process of preparing the Local Plan would be the publication of the Pre-Submission Local Plan. Given the additional work required to produce this, the timetable for production of the Local Plan was uncertain and it was recognised that the Regulation 19 statutory consultation might now have to be delayed until after the local government elections in May, prior to submission to the Secretary of State.

#### 364 ANY ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

No items of urgent business were received.

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The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 10.18 am.