

# CABINET

Meeting held on Tuesday, 18th September, 2018 at the Council Offices, Farnborough at 7.00 pm.

## Voting Members

Cllr D.E. Clifford, Leader of the Council  
Cllr K.H. Muschamp, Deputy Leader

Cllr Barbara Hurst, Planning and Economy Portfolio Holder  
Cllr G.B. Lyon, Corporate and Democratic Services Portfolio Holder  
Cllr M.L. Sheehan, Operational Services Portfolio Holder  
Cllr P.G. Taylor, Customer Experience and Improvement Portfolio Holder  
Cllr M.J. Tennant, Major Projects and Property Portfolio Holder

The Cabinet considered the following matters at the above-mentioned meeting. All executive decisions of the Cabinet shall become effective, subject to the call-in procedure, from **1st October, 2018**.

### 35. **MINUTES –**

The Minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 21st August, 2018 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

### 36. **75% BUSINESS RATES PILOT IN HAMPSHIRE BID 2019/20 –** (Cllr Gareth Lyon, Corporate and Democratic Services Portfolio Holder)

The Cabinet considered Report No. COMM1830, which set out a proposal to submit a joint bid with other Hampshire local authorities and Hampshire County Council to pilot a 75% Business Rates Retention Pool.

Members were informed that some Solent-based authorities had made a separate bid but all other Hampshire district councils, Hampshire County Council and the Hampshire Fire Authority were all likely to agree submitting this joint bid. It was noted that the bid was not guaranteed to be successful. In response to a question, it was confirmed that participation in the pilot would carry no financial risk to the Council, as it was guaranteed that no authority taking part in the pilot would be worse off than would have been the case had they not joined the scheme.

### **The Cabinet RESOLVED that**

- (i) the principle of the Council's participation in a joint bid, with Hampshire County Council and other Hampshire local authorities, to pilot a 75% Business Rates Retention Pool, as set out in Report No. FIN1830, be approved; and
- (ii) the Executive Director, in consultation with the Corporate and Democratic Services Portfolio Holder and the Executive Head of Financial Services, be authorised to agree the final submission.

37. **RELOCATION OF GULFSTREAM AEROSPACE LIMITED MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND OVERHAUL FACILITY –**

(Cllr Barbara Hurst, Planning and Economy Portfolio Holder / Cllr Gareth Lyon, Corporate and Democratic Services Portfolio Holder)

The Cabinet considered Report No. CEX1805, which provided an update on the process to secure the relocation of the Gulfstream Aerospace Limited Maintenance Repair and Overhaul facility to TAG Farnborough Airport and set out a proposed support package from the Council to Gulfstream.

Members were informed that relocation of this facility to Farnborough would generate up to 400 new jobs and would provide many other benefits to the local economy. The Report set out the details of the support package to Gulfstream and the Cabinet expressed strong commitment to this approach.

**The Cabinet RESOLVED** that

- (i) the provision of business rate relief, up to the state aid maximum of €200,000 (approximately £180,000) over three years once the new facility was developed, in line with the Council's policy for new businesses and an annual rate to be agreed with Gulfstream, be approved;
- (ii) the provision of up to £100,000 of financial support to Gulfstream, matched by the Enterprise M3 Local Enterprise Partnership, Hampshire County Council and Gulfstream itself, for training, development and relocation services, with the details to be agreed as part of the budget setting process, be approved; and
- (iii) the provision of a revised estimate to the budget for 2018/19, allowing the release of £10,000 of the £100,000 set out in (ii) above with immediate effect, be approved.

38. **ESTABLISHMENT OF REGENERATION INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP –**

(Cllr Martin Tennant, Major Projects and Property Portfolio Holder)

The Cabinet considered Report No. CEX1806, which sought the Cabinet's recommendation to the Council that an Investment Partnership should be established in the form of a Limited Liability Partnership (LLP) to be known as the Rushmoor Development Partnership. The Report also set out a number of other issues in relation to the setting up of the Partnership.

At its meeting on 24th July, 2018, the Cabinet had approved that Hill Investment Partnership Limited should be the Council's preferred investment partner to support the delivery of the Regenerating Rushmoor Programme and that a period of due diligence should commence. Members were informed that this period had now expired and that the Council was now keen to proceed with the establishment of the Partnership.

**The Cabinet RECOMMENDED TO THE COUNCIL** that approval be given to:

- (i) the Council proceeding with the creation of the Rushmoor Development Partnership LLP and the authorisation of the Legal Services Manager / Corporate Legal Manager to enter into the following documents to enable and support the operation of the partnership:
- LLP Members Agreement
  - Power of Attorney
  - Loan Note deed(s)
  - LLP security agreement (debenture)
  - Loan Note Exchange Agreement;
- (ii) the confirmation of the Council's nominations to the Rushmoor Development Partnership Board and Investment Team, as follows:
- Partnership Board
- Leader of the Council  
Major Projects and Property Portfolio Holder  
Executive Director
- Investment Team
- Executive Head of Property and Regeneration  
Regeneration Delivery Manager  
Project Accountant, Financial Services;
- (iii) the authorisation of the Chief Executive to act as the Council's representative as Shareholder; and
- (iv) the governance and reporting arrangements, as set out in paragraphs 5.1 and 5.2 of Report No. CEX1806.

39. **DEPLOYMENT OF RIGHT TO BUY RECEIPTS - NORTH TOWN PHASES 5 & 6 –**  
(Cllr Barbara Hurst, Planning and Economy Portfolio Holder)

The Cabinet considered Report No. PLN1820, which sought approval to utilise Right to Buy receipts to a total of £366,722.80 in support of the North Town regeneration scheme. Members were reminded that the regeneration of North Town was a strategic housing priority for the Council. The funding would enable the Council to meet identified specific housing needs over and above the agreed affordable housing allocation at North Town. It was confirmed that the proposed deployment had received the support of the three Ward Councillors.

**The Cabinet RESOLVED** that the deployment of Right to Buy Capital of £366,722.80 to Vivid for the delivery of affordable homes in the final two phases (5 and 6) at North Town, as set out in Report No. PLN1820, be approved.

40. **LEISURE MANAGEMENT CONTRACT - EXTENSION –**  
(Cllr Maurice Sheehan, Operational Services Portfolio Holder)

The Cabinet considered Report No. COMM1810, which set out a proposal to extend the current leisure management contract in respect of the Farnborough Leisure Centre and Aldershot Pools

The Cabinet was reminded that the contract for the management of the Aldershot Indoor Pools, Lido and the Farnborough Leisure Centre was due for renewal on 1st February 2019. It was explained that the redevelopment of the Civic Quarter in Farnborough had provided the opportunity to consider a range of options in relation to leisure and this had delayed the commencement of the procurement process for a new contract. It was felt that an extension to the current contract was the best option to allow these opportunities to be fully considered.

**The Cabinet RESOLVED** that an extension to the leisure management contract in respect of the Farnborough Leisure Centre and Aldershot Pools, as set out in Report No. COMM1810, be approved.

41. **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC –**

**RESOLVED:** That, taking into account the public interest test, the public be excluded from the meeting during the discussion of the under mentioned item to avoid the disclosure of exempt information within the paragraph of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972 indicated against the item:

<b>Minute No.</b>	<b>Schedule 12A Para. No.</b>	<b>Category</b>
42	3	Information relating to financial or business affairs

**THE FOLLOWING ITEM WAS CONSIDERED  
IN THE ABSENCE OF THE PUBLIC**

42. **PURCHASE OF LAND AT NORTH CLOSE, FARNBOROUGH –**  
(Cllr Martin Tennant, Major Projects and Property Portfolio Holder)

The Cabinet considered Exempt Report No. LEG1811, which set out a proposal for the Council to acquire land at North Close, Farnborough.

Members were informed that the land would improve vehicular access to Council-owned land on Hawley Lane. The terms of the proposed acquisition were set out in the Exempt Report.

**The Cabinet RESOLVED** that

- (i) a variation to the Capital Programme for the acquisition of the land, on the terms set out in Exempt Report No. LEG1811, be approved; and

- (ii) funding from the existing budget in the 2018/19 Capital Programme for remedial works to prepare the site for redevelopment, as set out in the Exempt Report, be approved.

The Meeting closed at 7.37 pm.

CLLR D.E. CLIFFORD, LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

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