

CABINET

Meeting held on Tuesday, 11th October, 2022 at the Council Offices, Farnborough at 7.00 pm.

Voting Members

Cllr D.E. Clifford, Leader of the Council
Cllr M.L. Sheehan, Deputy Leader and Operational Services Portfolio Holder

Cllr J.B. Canty, Customer Experience, Digital and Transformation Portfolio Holder
Cllr Sue Carter, Democracy, Strategy and Partnerships Portfolio Holder
Cllr A.R. Newell, Planning and Economy Portfolio Holder
Cllr P.G. Taylor, Corporate Services Portfolio Holder

An apology for absence was submitted on behalf of Cllr M.J. Tennant.

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 **24th October, 2022**.

26. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –**

Cllr J.B. Canty declared a non-registerable interest in Minute No. 28 due to his close association with an employee of NDreams Limited and, in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct for Councillors, left the meeting during the discussion and voting thereon.

27. **MINUTES –**

The Minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 13th September, 2022 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

28. **BUSINESS RATES - DISCRETIONARY RATE RELIEF APPLICATION –** (Cllr Paul Taylor, Corporate Services Portfolio Holder)

The Cabinet considered Report No. FIN2233, which set out details of an application for rate relief on behalf of NDreams Limited.

Members were informed that details of the application were contained within the Report and that the applicant was a leading independent developer and publisher of Virtual Reality (VR) games that occupied premises in Farnborough.

The Cabinet RESOLVED that 35% discretionary rate relief be awarded to NDreams Limited from 12th April, 2022 to 11th April, 2023, as set out in Report No. FIN2233.

29. **RUSHMOOR CULTURAL STRATEGY AND CULTURAL COMPACT –** (Cllr Adrian Newell, Planning and Economy Portfolio Holder)

The Cabinet considered Report No. EPSH2239, which set out a Cultural Strategy for the Rushmoor area.

Members were informed that the Rushmoor Cultural Strategy had been developed to help to grow the cultural and arts sector in the Borough. It was reported that key delivery partners across the public and private sectors had formed a 'Cultural Compact' that had developed the plan and would have an ongoing role in shaping cultural activity locally.

In expressing its strong support for the Strategy, the Cabinet stressed the importance of the links that had been identified with the Borough's significant heritage, including aviation and the military.

The Cabinet RESOLVED that the adoption of the Rushmoor Cultural Strategy, as set out in Report No. EPSH2239, be approved.

The Meeting closed at 7.15 pm.

CLLR D.E. CLIFFORD, LEADER OF THE COUNCIL
