

Norfolk County Council

CABINET

Summary of Decisions made by Cabinet – Monday 7 September 2020

Agenda Item	Report Title	Decision	Key Decision	Date Forward Plan Published
5	Items of Urgent Business	Cabinet RESOLVED :	No	N/A
	(Urgent Decision – not subject to call-in process). Banham Poultry Covid- 19 Outbreak	 To Acknowledge the work that has been carried out by NCC and partners in containing this Coronavirus outbreak To Support the move to Norfolk CC becoming a locally supported contact tracing area to support and protect Norfolk residents, recognising that full costs are still to be confirmed and that they are likely to create a cost pressure and delegating the final decision to the Leader as the Chair of the Norfolk Covid 19 Engagement Board. Members continue to support and promote Protect Yourself, Protect Others Protect Norfolk public health messages to keep residents safe. 		
8	Norfolk Fire & Rescue Service – Training Facilities	 Cabinet considered the report and RESOLVED to: Agree to work with Norfolk Constabulary to develop the emergency services training academy concept. Collaborate with Norfolk Constabulary to develop the former Hethersett Old Hall site, as set out in the report. Task officers to carry out a detailed feasibility study of other necessary improvements to the wider training infrastructure and, if viable, to develop a detailed business case for Members to consider. 	No	N/A
9	Norfolk Fire & Rescue Service – HMICFRS Improvement Plan Update	Cabinet reviewed and considered the progress made in delivering the Improvement Plan as set out in Appendix A of the report, and RESOLVED to:	No	N/A
		1. Agree to receive a further update on progress at the Cabinet meeting in December 2020.		

10	Finance Monitoring Report 2020-21 P4: July	Cabinet RESOLVED to:	No	N/A
	2020	1. Approve expenditure of £8.5m for LED upgrades to 15,000 main road streetlights across Norfolk as set out in paragraph 4.1 of Capital Appendix 1, to be funded from additional prudential borrowing.		
		2. Approve the drawdown of £2.7m from the existing Accommodation Rationalisation capital budget, to fund Accessibility and Inclusivity improvements to County Hall as set out in paragraph 4.2 of Capital Appendix 1.		
		 Note the period 4 forecast general fund revenue overspend of £7.901m noting also that Executive Directors will take measures to reduce or eliminate potential over-spends; 		
		4. Note the Covid-19 grant funding received of £63.824m , the proposed use of that funding and the related expenditure pressures.		
		5. Note the period 4 forecast shortfall in savings of £17.780m , noting also that Executive Directors will take measures to mitigate savings shortfalls through alternative savings or underspends;		
		6. Note the forecast General Balances at 31 March 2021 of £19.706m, before taking into account any over/under spends;		
		7. Note the expenditure and funding of the revised current and future 2020-23 capital programmes.		
11	Strategic and Financial Planning 2021-22	 Cabinet considered the report and RESOLVED to: 1. Agree key points to be included in the representation to the Comprehensive Spending Review in relation to: the uncertainty about wider funding allocations and reforms; the urgent need for details to enable 2021-22 budget setting; the need for adequate funding to meet pressures from Covid-19; and the fundamental need to address underlying pressures including adults and children's social care. 	No	N/A

13	Devolution and Local Government Reform	 Cabinet considered the report and RESOLVED to: 1. Support the approach taken to date by Norfolk Leaders Group and the County Council's ongoing commitment to closer collaboration and joint working to deliver the best possible services in the most efficient, effective and inclusive manner. 2. Endorse Norfolk County Council's approach to devolution and local government reform. 3. Authorise the Leader to pursue further conversations on devolution on an appropriate geography whilst we await the white paper. 	No	N/A
12	Wymondham Market Town Transport Network Improvement Strategy	Cabinet RESOLVED to: 1. Agree and adopt the completed <u>Wymondham Network Improvement</u> <u>Strategy as published on the website.</u>	No	N/A
		 Note the updated overall budget gap of £129.779m in the Medium Term Financial Strategy including a latest gap of £45.434m forecast for 2021-22, noting the key areas of risk which remain to be quantified. (Section 3) Agree that details of saving proposals to aid in closing the budget gap should be presented to Cabinet in October, after being developed based on the approaches set out in Sections 4-8, and following input from Select Committees about the overall strategy in each Department during September. 		
		 Delegate to the Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance to approve the final response for submission on behalf of the Council reflecting the points set out in Paragraph 2.4. 2. Agree the key points set out in Paragraph 2.6 to be included in the response to the consultation on Business Rates system and delegate to the Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance to approve the final response for submission on behalf of the Council. 		

14	County Council Highway Authority – Planning Consultation response to South Norfolk Planning Application 2018/2631	 RESOLVED: 1. Cabinet considers that the economic impact of the proposals alongside the safety and appropriateness of a roundabout on the A140 overcome objections as a highway authority and we therefore raise no objections to the planning proposal. 	No	N/A
15	Reports of the Cabinet member Delegated Decisions made since the last Cabinet meeting.	Cabinet RESOLVED to note the decisions made.	No	N/A

Call-ins should be submitted to <u>committees@norfolk.gov.uk</u> using the call-in form by no later than 4.00pm on Monday 14 September 2020. Further information about the call-in process can be found in <u>Article 6.4 of the Council's Constitution</u>.

In circumstances where a decision is taken by Cabinet but needs to be implemented urgently, the call-in procedures will not apply. These will be identified on the Cabinet agenda and the decision notice.

Any Decisions called-in from those made by Cabinet on 7 September 2020 will be considered at a Scrutiny Committee to be held on Wednesday 23 September 2020.