

Chairman - Councillor P M M Farrington

Present (for all or part of the meeting):-

Councillors:

F Beatty	- Economic Development and Planning Portfolio
J M Pert	- Community and Health Portfolio
J K Price	- Environment Portfolio
R M Smith	- Deputy Leader and Resources Portfolio
C V Trowbridge	- Leisure Portfolio

Also present - Councillors A T A Godfrey and M Phillips

Officers in attendance:-

Mr T Clegg	- Chief Executive
Mrs T Redpath	- Corporate Business and Partnerships Manager
Mr J Dean	- Democratic Services Officer

CAB20 Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 4 July 2019 were submitted and signed.

CAB21 Final Accounts 2018-19

Considered a report setting out the final accounts position for 2018/19, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 258 of 2 August 2019.

The Deputy Leader highlighted paragraphs 3.1 – 3.4 of the report before inviting the Portfolio holders to comment on their individual budgets. Councillor Smith then referred to the capital spend as set out in paragraphs 5 - 26 before appraising the proposals as set out in paragraph 2 of the report, to which the Cabinet voted on the recommendations.

RESOLVED:- that the proposals of the Deputy Leader be approved as follows:-

- that:- (a) the final accounts position for the year ending 31 March 2019 be approved, and the figures be referred on to the appropriate Scrutiny Committees for information;
- (b) the financing of the capital programme as outlined in the report be approved.

THIS ITEM IS NOT SUBJECT TO CALL IN AND WILL BE REFERRED TO THE APPROPRIATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEES.

CAB22 Consultation on Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme

Considered a report informing Cabinet of the need to review the Council's Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme (LCTRS), explaining the proposed features of a new LCTRS and seeking the necessary approvals and delegations to instigate a formal consultation process, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 258 of 2 August 2019.

The Deputy Leader highlighted the proposals as set out in paragraph 2 of the report, to which the Cabinet moved directly to voting on the recommendations.

RESOLVED:- that the proposals of the Deputy Leader be approved as follows:-

- that:- (a) the need to review the Councils' Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme be noted and supported;
- (b) authority to instigate a formal consultation process (subject to detailed cost forecasting and the scheme principals as set out in the report) be delegated to the Head of Finance (in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Resources).

The Leader of the Council reported that the Council was taking the lead on this issue and hoped that other Staffordshire local authorities would follow this route.

THIS ITEM IS NOT SUBJECT TO CALL-IN AND WILL BE REFERRED TO RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ON 20 JULY 2019.

Recording of the meeting was suspended at this time.

CAB23 Exclusion of Press and Public

RESOLVED:- that pursuant to Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting whilst the next following item of business be discussed, on the grounds that it includes the disclosure of exempt information of the type specified in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

CAB24 Stafford Station Gateway – Confidential

Considered a confidential report regarding Stafford Station Gateway, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 258 of 2 August 2019.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member – Economic Development and Planning Portfolio, as set out in paragraph 2 of the Confidential Report be approved.

CHAIR