Minutes of the Cabinet held at the Civic Centre, Riverside, Stafford on 6 February 2020

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 Councillor M Phillips

Officers in attendance:-

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

CAB80 Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2020 were submitted and signed.

CAB81 Stafford Borough Economic Growth Strategy 2020-2025

Considered a report updating changes made to the draft Stafford Borough Economic Growth Strategy 2020-2025 and seeking approval of the Strategy, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 264 of 7 February 2020.

The Cabinet Member, Economic Development and Planning Portfolio highlighted the proposal as set out in paragraph 2 of the report, to which the Cabinet moved directly to voting on the recommendation.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member, Economic Development and Planning Portfolio be approved as follows:

that the Stafford Borough Economic Growth Strategy 2020-2025 as set out in the appendix to the report be adopted.

The Leader of the Council noted that the Strategy was the culmination of many hours hard work, and thanked Officers for their efforts in its preparation.
CAB82  Parking Orders

Considered a report setting out the objections received during the consultation period and seeking approval and implementation of the off street Parking Orders, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 264 of 7 February 2020.

The Cabinet Member, Economic Development and Planning Portfolio highlighted 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 Cabinet Member, Economic Development and Planning Portfolio be approved as follows:-

that the Head of Operations (in conjunction with the Head of Law and Administration) be authorised to take all necessary steps to make the following Orders, and bring them into force:

(i) The Borough of Stafford (Various Car parks, Stafford) Order 2020;
(ii) The Borough of Stafford (Various Car parks, Stone) Order 2020;

CAB83  Funding for Voluntary Sector Organisations

Considered a report seeking approval of support to voluntary sector organisations for a four year period commencing April 2020, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 264 of 7 February 2020.

The Cabinet Member, Community and Health Portfolio paid tribute to the work of the Voluntary Sector in the Borough before highlighting the proposal as set out in paragraph 2 of the report, to which the Cabinet voted on the recommendation.
RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member, Community and Health Portfolio be approved as follows:-

that support to the voluntary sector in Stafford Borough, as detailed in paragraph 5.5 of the report, be approved.

Councillor P M M Farrington declared a personal interest in this item and left the table but remained in the room, taking no part in the discussion and voting thereon.

Councillor P M M Farrington - in the Chair

CAB84 Performance Reporting 2019-20

Considered a report updating Members of performance reporting for Quarter 3 of 2019-2020, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 264 of 7 February 2020.

The Deputy Leader highlighted the proposal as set out in paragraph 2 of the report, to which the Cabinet commented on their individual Portfolios before voting on the recommendation.

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

that the information as set out in the report be noted.

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

CAB85 Application for Voluntary Flexible Retirement - Part Confidential

Considered a report requesting Voluntary Flexible Retirement, as set out in the Confidential Appendix to the report, detailed in Section 2 of Digest No 264 of 7 February 2020.

RESOLVED:- that the proposals of the Cabinet Member, Environment Portfolio be approved as follows:-

(a) that the request for voluntary flexible retirement without enhancement be approved;

(b) that the Head of Human Resources (in conjunction with the Group Manager Neighbourhood Services) implement the flexible retirement in line with the wishes of the employee and the exigencies of the service.

CHAIR