

## **CABINET - 8 MARCH 2012**

*Councillor M R Heenan (Chairman)*

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

Councillors:

- R M Smith - Deputy Leader and Leisure Portfolio
- F A Finlay - Environment and Health Portfolio
- Mrs F Beatty - Planning and Regeneration Portfolio
- K S Williamson - Resources Portfolio

### **CAB67 MINUTES**

Minutes of the meeting held on 2 February 2012 submitted and signed.

### **CAB68 APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor P M M Farrington.

### **CAB69 STAFFORD BOROUGH LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK DRAFT URBAN DESIGN SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT AND DRAFT SHOPFRONTS AND ADVERTISEMENTS SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT**

Considered a report outlining the draft Urban Design Supplementary Planning Document and the draft Shopfronts and Advertisements Supplementary Planning Document, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 168 of 9 March 2012.

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

the draft Urban Design Supplementary Planning Document and the draft Shopfronts and Advertisements Supplementary Planning Document be approved for public consultation.

### **CAB70 STAFFORD BOROUGH LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK THE PLAN FOR STAFFORD BOROUGH - DRAFT PUBLICATION RESPONSES**

*Councillor R M Smith, Deputy Leader in the Chair.*

Considered a report setting out the Schedule of Representations prepared as a Summary of Responses received to the Stafford Borough Local Development Framework Document - The Plan for Stafford Borough - Draft Publication, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 168 of 9 March 2012.

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

the Cabinet take account of the responses to the document 'The Plan for Stafford Borough - Draft Publication', within the Schedule of Representations when preparing the next stage of the Plan for Stafford Borough.

Councillor M R Heenan declared a personal interest in this item and remained in the room during consideration and voting thereon.

**CAB71 PREPARATION OF A BOROUGH HEALTH AND WELLBEING STRATEGY 2013 - 2015**

Considered a report updating the Stafford Borough Council Health Strategy 2008 - 2013, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 168 of 9 March 2012.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member - Environment and Health be approved as follows:-

- (a) the approach to the preparation of the new Borough Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2013 - 2015 be approved;
- (b) the update report on the Stafford Borough Council Health Strategy 2008 - 2013 be noted.

**THIS ITEM IS NOT SUBJECT TO CALL IN AND WILL BE REFERRED TO HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ON 20 MARCH 2012**

**CAB72 LAND AT MONKS WALK, GNOSALL**

Considered a report seeking approval to transfer council owned land to Stafford and Rural Homes, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 168 of 9 March 2012.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member - Community Portfolio be approved as follows:-

to transfer the land owned by Stafford Borough Council at Monks Walk, Gnosall to Stafford and Rural Homes at nil cost.

**CAB73 RESTRICTION ON ROWLEY PARK FOOTBALL PITCH**

Considered a report advising Members of the requirement of the Football Foundation grant terms and conditions for there to be a restriction placed on Council land, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 168 of 9 March 2012.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member - Leisure Portfolio be approved as follows:-

the Cabinet agree to a 21 year restriction being placed on the area of land on which the new 3G AGP pitch is to be developed in Rowley Park, Stafford.

**CAB74 LOCAL AUTHORITY MORTGAGE SCHEME**

Considered a report detailing the Local Authority Mortgage Scheme, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 168 of 9 March 2012.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member – Resources Portfolio be approved as follows:-

the maximum loan allowable under the Local Authority Mortgage Scheme be increased to £135,000.

**CAB75 DISCRETIONARY HOUSING PAYMENTS POLICY**

Considered a report outlining the Discretionary Housing Payments Policy, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 168 of 9 March 2012.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member - Resources Portfolio be approved as follows:-

to agree to use £26,000 of the additional administration subsidy to top up the budget for Discretionary Housing Payments over the amount provided by the government with a review after six months.

**CAB76 APPLICATION FOR EARLY RETIREMENT ON THE GROUNDS OF VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY - PART CONFIDENTIAL**

Considered a request for early retirement on the grounds of voluntary redundancy as set out in the Confidential Appendix as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 168 of 9 March 2012.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member - Resources Portfolio be approved as follows:-

- (a) the request for Early Retirement on the Grounds of Voluntary Redundancy be approved;
- (b) the Head of Human Resources implement the Voluntary Redundancy in line with the wishes of the

employee and the business needs of the HR shared service.

**CAB77 COUNCIL TAX AND BUSINESS RATES ARREARS SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL TO WRITE OFF - PART CONFIDENTIAL**

Considered the proposed writing off of Council Tax and Business Rates arrears as listed in the Confidential Appendix as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 168 of 9 March 2012.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member - Resources Portfolio be approved as follows:-

that the arrears listed in the Confidential Appendix of the report be written off.

**CAB78 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

RESOLVED:- that pursuant to Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting whilst the next following item of business is discussed on the grounds that it involves the disclosure of exempt information of the type specified in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

**CAB79 RIVERSIDE DEVELOPMENT SITE - CONFIDENTIAL**

Considered a Confidential report regarding the Riverside Development Site as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 168 of 9 March 2012.

RESOLVED:- that the Cabinet agree to the proposal of the Leader of the Council as set out in the Confidential report.

CHAIRMAN