

**Minutes of a meeting of Cabinet
held on Monday, 29th April, 2019
from 4.00 pm - 4.36 pm**

Present: G Wall (Chairman)
J Ash-Edwards (Vice-Chair)

J Llewellyn-Burke	G Marsh	N Webster
A MacNaughton	M Thomas-Atkin	

Also Present: Councillor Rod Clarke
Kathryn Hall Chief Executive, Judy Holmes Assistant Chief Executive, Tom Clark Head of Regulatory Services, Simon Hughes Head of Digital and Customer Services, Kate Wilson Business Unit Leader Community Services, Policy & Performance, Terry Stanley Business Unit Leader Democratic Services Officer & Alison Hammond Democratic Services Officer

1. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS IN RESPECT OF ANY MATTER ON THE AGENDA.

None.

2. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

None.

3. TO CONFIRM MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11 MARCH 2019.

The minutes of the meeting held on 11 March 2019 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Deputy Leader.

4. TO CONSIDER ANY ITEMS THAT THE LEADER AGREES TO TAKE AS URGENT BUSINESS.

None.

5. QUARTER 3 PERFORMANCE REPORT

Kate Wilson, Business Unit Leader Community Services, Policy & Performance introduced the performance report. She highlighted the positive performance with 90% of the indicators at green meaning that they are on or above target compared to 76% in the previous year. It was also noted that there were no indicators at red for the second consecutive quarter. It was noted that in the four instances where

performance was slightly under target, that reasons for this and action being taken was set out in the report. The progress on flagship activities were detailed in appendix b and the officer confirmed that monitoring reports will be received by the Scrutiny Committee on the new set of flagship activities at its' meeting on 12 June 2019. The changes to the indicators for 2019/20 were listed in paragraph 68 and Kate Wilson confirmed that a Members working party including chairs of all three Scrutiny committees had been set up to review and agree all changes to indicators. The Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance commented that whilst the collection of Council Tax was below the target, the actual amounts collected had increased. There had been a publicity campaign on the Single Person Discount (SPD) to ensure all eligible residents make a claim and that all existing claims were valid.

The Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Economic Growth noted the good report with no red targets which demonstrated the hard work of the Council for the current administration.

The Cabinet Member for Community highlighted the positive feedback from the public on the health and wellbeing interventions. These had led to improvements in their health, and improved quality of life and led to reduced costs in other services including the NHS. He noted that he was pleased the report differentiated between the homeless and rough sleepers.

The Cabinet Member for Service Delivery highlighted the improvements to The Triangle Leisure Centre and that an additional 36,000 people had visited the centre following the recent joint investment with Places Leisure. He noted that further investment is due at other leisure centres.

The Cabinet Member for Housing and Planning noted the difficulty in predicting affordable housing delivery. Overall the council had achieved 30% affordable housing from eligible developments.

The Cabinet Member for Customer Service confirmed that the Council was responding to the needs of the residents and working with other partners to assist rough sleepers.

The Leader noted the exceptional report and confirmed that the examination of the report by the Scrutiny Committee had been thorough and relevant. The flagship activities demonstrated the ambition and focus of the Council and congratulated the team effort of the officers and councillors.

The Leader noted that no more Members wished to speak so took them to the recommendations contained in the report, which were agreed unanimously.

RESOLVED

Cabinet resolved to:

- i) Note the Council's performance and progress with flagship activities in the third quarter of the year and identify any areas where further reporting or information is required; and
- ii) Note the changes to the bundle of performance indicators to be monitored in 2019/20.

6. INSTALLING ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING POINTS (EVCPs)

Simon Hughes, the Head of Digital and Customer Services introduced the report and highlighted the tabled revised appendix detailing 13 sites. The sites had been checked for viability for government funding and deliverability in the short term. The installation of more EVCPs supports a reduction of the carbon footprint and the demand for more charging points was a high priority in a recent survey. It was noted that Mid Sussex has more EVCPs than any other council in West Sussex.

The Cabinet Member for Service Delivery welcomed the report and confirmed that some of the additional EVCPs would be installed in rural locations.

The Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Economic Growth commented that the Council was responding to requests for increased availability of charging points and the increased awareness of electric vehicles.

The Leader noted that no more Members wished to speak so took them to the recommendations contained in the report, which were agreed unanimously.

RESOLVED

Cabinet resolved to:

- i) Invite tenders for the charging points at sites identified through feasibility, including the Triangle leisure centre.
- ii) The use of section 106 funding (£38,114) pending a successful Onstreet funding application.

7. DOLPHIN LEISURE CENTRE IMPROVEMENT PROPOSALS

Judy Holmes, Assistant Chief Executive introduced the report. She noted that this positive report extends the investment programme to enable further joint investment with Places Leisure at The Dolphin Leisure Centre which would start in May and be completed by November 2019.

The Cabinet Member for Customer Delivery confirmed that the investment had been identified as improvements were needed to the entrance of the leisure centre and the investment programme highlighted the good working partnership with Places Leisure.

In response to a question from the Cabinet Member for Customer Service, the Assistant Chief Executive confirmed that the work would be carefully planned to minimise disruption for the users of the centre during the school holidays and work that would benefit the public most would be prioritised.

The Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance supported the use of funds from Council Reserves to improve the Council's assets.

The Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Economic Growth commented that since the start of the contract with Places Leisure, £6 million has been invested in leisure centres across the district and it was noted that the Council was able to contribute financially towards the improvements because of good financial management.

The Cabinet Member for Housing and Planning confirmed the Council's good working relationship with Places Leisure and confidence in the services Places Leisure provide the residents of Mid Sussex.

The Cabinet Member for Service Delivery noted that this investment did not include funds already allocated to improve car parking facilities at The Dolphin leisure centre.

The Leader stated that the process to let the leisure contract was complex and this report demonstrated the high quality work by the Contract Services team. He commented that the leisure centres provide good access to sports and improves the wellbeing of the residents of Mid Sussex.

The Leader noted that no more Members wished to speak so took them to the recommendation contained in the report, which was agreed unanimously.

RESOLVED

Cabinet recommended that Council:

- i) Approves the proposed works to the Dolphin Leisure Centre, which will be jointly funded by Places Leisure and the Council; and
- ii) Agrees a variation to the 2019/20 capital programme, allocating £198k towards this project from General Reserve.

8. TO CONSIDER WHETHER TO EXCLUDE THE PRESS AND PUBLIC FROM THE MEETING DURING CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 100A OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 ON THE GROUNDS THAT IT INVOLVES THE LIKELY DISCLOSURE OF EXEMPT INFORMATION AS DEFINED IN PARAGRAPH 3 OF PART 1 OF SCHEDULE 12A OF THE SAID ACT.

The Leader proposed that the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the exempt items on the agenda and this was seconded by the Cabinet Member for Service Delivery. This was agreed unanimously.

RESOLVED

That the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item in accordance with Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the said Act.

The Leader brought the meeting back into open session on the completion of the exempt business.

9. TO CONFIRM EXEMPT MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11 MARCH 2019.

10. QUESTIONS PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 10 DUE NOTICE OF WHICH HAS BEEN GIVEN.

None.

The meeting finished at 4.36 pm

Chairman