

BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE CABINET

WEDNESDAY, 10TH APRIL 2019, AT 6.00 P.M.

PRESENT: Councillors G. N. Denaro (Leader, during Minute No's 92/18 to 98/18), K.J. May (Deputy Leader), B. T. Cooper, C. B. Taylor and P. J. Whittaker

Officers: Mr. K. Dicks, Mrs. S. Hanley, Mrs. C. Felton, Mr O. Paparega, Mr. D. Allen and Mrs. P. Ross

92/18 **TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

93/18 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Prior to the commencement of the meeting Councillor G. N. Denaro had declared an Other Disclosable Interest in Agenda Item no. 8 – Nomination of an asset of Community Value Wythall House and Park, as Trustee and Vice-Chairman of Wythall Community Hall Trust. Councillor Denaro stated that he would leave the room whilst this matter was discussed.

94/18 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 27th March 2019 were submitted.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 27th March 2019 be approved as a correct record.

95/18 **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD HELD ON 4TH MARCH 2019**

The minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Board meeting held on 4th March 2019 were considered.

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Board meeting held on 4th March 2019 be noted.

96/18 **FORMER MARKET HALL SITE REDEVELOPMENT - PHASE 2**

Members considered a detailed report which provided an update on the legal agreement with the Hinton Group, outlined the key site constraints, the delivery options and the next steps for the Markey Hall Phase 2 site.

It was noted that as detailed in the report that the redevelopment of Phase 2 had been a challenge for the developer to deliver.

Following a brief discussion it was

RESOLVED:

- a) that the update with regards to the Market Hall Phase 2, be noted;
- b) that it be noted, that a termination notice had been served to end the legal agreement with the Hinton Group, in accordance with the agreement's termination clause;
- c) that the submission of an Expression of Interest to the Future High Streets Fund that has the Market Hall Phase 2 site as its development focus, be noted; and
- d) that soft market testing be undertaken in order to assess developer and end occupier interest to inform a viable delivery route for the site.

97/18

PRIVATE SECTOR HOME REPAIR ASSISTANCE POLICY UPDATE

The Cabinet considered a report on the Private Sector Housing Policy. The report provided an overview of the updates made to the Council's Private Sector Housing Assistance Policy, attached at Appendix 1 to the report.

The Strategic Housing Manager informed Members that the policy had been updated in line with a recommendation from the Audit that was conducted during 2017/2018; which highlighted that the existing policy needed to be updated in order to reflect changes around loan limits for applicants and local land charge arrangements.

RESOLVED that the changes made to the Private Sector Housing Assistance Policy, be noted and that the implementation of the policy, as detailed at Appendix 1 to the report, be approved.

98/18

RESPONSE TO SOLIHULL SUPPLEMENTARY LOCAL PLAN CONSULTATION

The Cabinet considered a report detailing the response of Bromsgrove District Council to the Solihull Draft Local Plan supplementary consultation; the officer response was detailed at Appendix A to the report.

RESOLVED that the officer response to the Solihull Local Plan Review supplementary consultation, as detailed at Appendix A to the report, be endorsed.

RECOMMENDED:

- a) that the officer response to the Solihull Local Plan Review supplementary consultation, as detailed at Appendix A to the report, be approved as the Council's formal response; and that this be confirmed with Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council.

99/18

CONSULTATION ON THE LISTING OF AN ASSET OF COMMUNITY VALUE AT WYTHALL

The Cabinet considered a report on an application to list Wythall House and Park as an Asset of Community Value (ACV).

A letter from Wythall Community Hall Trust was detailed in the Supplementary Agenda papers.

Paragraph 3.7 of the report stated that Wythall House and Park met all of the statutory criteria for listing, as detailed in paragraph 3.9 of the report.

Members considered the application on its merits and in light of the test contained within Section 88(1) of the Localism Act 2011, as set out in paragraph 3.9 of the report.

RESOLVED that the application for listing of Wythall House and Park as an Asset of Community Value be supported.

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ANY OTHER BUSINESS

With the agreement of the Deputy Leader, Councillor B. T. Cooper expressed his sincere thanks to the Leader of the Council for having the confidence in him by appointing him onto the Cabinet; to the Cabinet Members, Chief Executive and Senior Officers for their support.

In response, the Deputy Leader gave sincere thanks, on behalf of the Cabinet Members to Councillor B. T. Cooper for his help and hard work, in working towards the strategic purposes of the Council.

With the agreement of the Deputy Leader, the Chief Executive also expressed sincere thanks to Councillor B. T. Cooper, on behalf of the s151 officer, who Councillor B. T. Cooper had worked closely with, in his role as Portfolio Holder for Finance.

The meeting closed at 6.09 p.m.

Chairman