

Summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Cabinet held on Tuesday 8 March 2022

1. Date of publication of this summary: 8th March 2022
2. Deadline for requests for call-in (detailing reasons for doing so): 15th March 2022
3. Earliest date for implementation of decisions: 15th March 2022
4. Urgent decisions taken and not subject to the call-in procedure: 8th March 2022

Agenda Item and Recommendations	Decision
<p>Agenda Item 6 Transformation Update Quarter 3 2021/22</p>	<p>RESOLVED: That Cabinet noted the content of this report.</p> <p>REASONS RESOLVED: Updated paper for information only no decisions required</p> <p>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS: None</p>
<p>Agenda Item 7 Corporate Plan Performance Report – 2021-22 Q3</p>	<p>RESOLVED: That Cabinet noted the content of the appendix covering the third quarter of 2021-22.</p> <p>REASONS RESOLVED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This report was for information purposes and discussion only, there were no direct decisions to be made following the report. • The council was required as part of Local Government Act 1972 to report performance of the council to members <p>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS: None</p>
<p>Agenda Item 8 Organisation Structure Change</p>	<p>RESOLVED: It was resolved that the Cabinet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Noted the changes to the Councils approach and changes to the Directorate structures and key roles as follows.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creation of a new Directorate of Communities and Opportunities • The creation of a new Directorate of People encompassing Adult Services and Children and Education Services <p>b) Noted the changes included in the Pay Policy including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removal of the Chief Officer post of Director of Transformation • Creation of the new Director of Communities and Opportunities post <p>c) Noted the delegated responsibility to the Senior Appointments Committee for the permanent appointment of a Director of Communities and Opportunities once staff and union consultation has completed and interviews undertaken.</p> <p>REASONS RESOLVED: The changes outlined in this report would best enable the Council to deliver its corporate priorities and statutory duties.</p> <p>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS: None</p>
<p>Agenda Item 9 Proposal to fund a Football Association standard, 3G sports pitch at the new free school to be delivered at Wantage Farm, Moulton</p>	<p>RESOLVED: That Cabinet:</p> <p>a) Approved the expenditure required to deliver the 3G sports pitch at the proposed new school at Wantage Farm, Moulton at a cost of £641,046.</p> <p>b) Delegated responsibility to the Director of Children’s Services in conjunction with the Cabinet Member for Children, Families & Education to make and authorise all necessary legal and financial agreements to ensure effective delivery of the proposed scheme.</p> <p>REASONS RESOLVED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The option would ensure that the facilities available at the proposed new school are commensurate with those at other area schools and provide the best possible education

	<p>environment for students that will attend the school.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The option would mitigate against a risk that the S106 developer contribution would have to be returned to the developer in the event that no other scheme that is compliant with the S106 agreement be identified by 2027. • The proposal would provide wider community benefit via access to increased and improved sports facilities and promote 'healthy living' agendas. • The future Council (or customers) would receive the maximum benefit from the option proposed. <p>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS: None</p>
<p>Agenda Item 10 Disposal of Land at Sixfields, Northampton</p>	<p>RESOLVED: The Cabinet agreed to the disposal of the site to County Developments (Northampton) Limited and Northampton Town Football Club Limited as outlined in Appendix A subject to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) The expiration of the Assets of Community Value moratorium period. b) Agreement from Homes England as required. c) The Assistant Director Assets and Environment in consultation with the Director of Legal and Democratic Services and the Portfolio Holder for Finance being satisfied that all necessary steps have been taken to proceed with the disposal. <p>REASONS RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To ensure that the Council complies with its legal obligations under the Localism Act 2011. 2. To meet the Council's obligations to seek best consideration in relation to land disposals, as set out in the report. 3. In addition to achieve a number of wider benefits considered to be in the interests of the Council and the community in its area: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Generate a substantial capital receipt in the short to medium term

(anticipated before the end of 2022).

- Greatly assist in regularising the complex ownership position that exists on site:
- Most immediately in relation to the HWRC site (which would be held by the Council free from any lease to CDNL) and the other retained land.
- Also (at a later stage) in relation to the running track land if this was repurchased by WNC (as the relevant lease would be surrendered as part of the deal with CDNL).
- Remove the risks of legal challenges from CDNL to the Council's ability to break the Main Site Lease and the potential costs to the Council associated with that.
- Increase the likelihood that the East Stand would be completed.
- In the event that the East Stand was not completed, secure the return of the Running Track land to the Council's freehold ownership with very little further cost (a price of £1 with associated legal and other transactional costs).
- Making it likely the land will be developed, in line with the Council's planning policies and the aims of the Northampton Waterside Enterprise Zone.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

None of the alternative options previously identified appeared preferable, whether on purely financial or on wider policy terms, to accepting the CDNL offer.

