NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

<u>CABINET</u> 6th November 2024

A meeting of Cabinet was held on Wednesday 6th November, 2024 in the Council Chamber at the Town Hall.

Present

Councillor C. Watkins (Leader and Housing)

Councillor J. Sheppard (Deputy Leader and Environment & Public Services)

Councillor T. Jenkins (Leisure, Communities and Health)

Councillor R. Roze (Planning & Enforcement)

Councillor N. King (Business and Regeneration)

CB47 Apologies

Apologies were received for Councillor S. Hey (Resources & Customer Services)

CB48 Declarations of Interest

RESOLVED that the Declarations of Interest for this meeting are as set out in the Schedule attached to these minutes.

CB49 Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 9th October 2024, be approved, and signed by the Chair

CB50 Safeguarding Policy

The Assistant Director – Governance and Democracy submitted a report recommending to approve the updated Safeguarding Policy

RESOLVED that the Safeguarding Policy for adoption across the Council be approved.

Speakers:

Mr Keith Kondakor
Mr Peter Smith
Mr Stuart Finch
Councillor Michele Kondakor

Options

- a) Approve the Safeguarding Policy
- b) Do not approve the Safeguarding Policy for adoption

Reasons

To ensure the Council has a Safeguarding Policy in place in order to set out its approach to Safeguarding concerns when they arise and to ensure the wellbeing and safety of both children and adults, within the responsibility of the Council remain safeguarded.

CB51 <u>Air Quality Management – Revocation of Leicester Road Gyratory</u>

The Assistant Director – Environment and Enforcement submitted a report to Cabinet to consider approval of the revocation of Leicester Road Gyratory

RESOLVED that this item be deferred to a future Cabinet meeting.

Speakers:

Mr Keith Kondakor Councillor Michele Kondakor

Options

- 1) Cabinet can approve revocation of the Air Quality Management Area; or
- 2) Cabinet could not approve the revocation of the Air Quality Management Area

Reasons

The matter was deferred for further consideration as to the impact on residents by its removal to the relevant Overview and Scrutiny panel.

CB52 Housing Strategy 2024 – 2034

The Assistant Director – Strategic Housing presented to Cabinet the Housing Strategy that sets out the Housing needs and housing related needs of the Borough, along with the Councils' commitment to responding to those needs.

RESOLVED that the Housing Strategy 2024 – 34, be adopted as a documents unforming residents, stakeholders and interested parties on the housing needs for our Borough.

Speakers

Mr K. Kondakor Mr Peter Smith Councillor Michele Kondakor

Options

- 1) Adopt the Housing Strategy 2024-2034;
- 2) Do not adopt the Housing Strategy 2024 2034, instead require further work to be concluded for inclusion and for amendments.
- 3) Do not adopt an NBBC Housing Strategy at all.

Reasons

There is no statutory requirement to have a Housing Strategy, the Council recognises the importance to the Borough of having a document that sets out the housing needs of the Borough to enable developers, stakeholders and partners to better inform their services in accordance with the Boroughs needs

CB53 Creative Explorers Update

The Assistant Director – Recreation and Culture provided Cabinet with an update on the delivery of the Creative Explorers programme, supported by Arts Council England, NBBC and Warwickshire County Council.

RESOLVED that the Creative Explorers update be noted.

Speakers

Mr K. Kondakor Councillor Michele Kondakor

Options

Note the update reports

Reasons

This report provides an update on the delivery of programme - Creative Explorers is a 21-month journey with the Council, arts organisations, artists, and residents working together to create a unique cultural identity for Nuneaton & Bedworth which builds skills, generates civic pride and confidence, develops the visitor economy, and leads to a creative borough.

CB54 General Fund Budget Monitoring Q2

The Assistant Director – Finance submitted the forecast revenue outturn position for the General Fund as at 30th September 2024

RESOLVED that the forecast outturn position for the General Fund for 2024/25 be noted, with consideration given to key variances.

Speakers

Mr K. Kondakor Councillor M. Kondakor

Options

To accept the report; or

To request further information on the forecasted position.

Reasons

The Council is required to achieve a balanced budget each year.

CB55 Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Budget Monitoring Q2

The Assistant Director – Finance submitted the forecast revenue outturn position for the Housing Revenue Account as at 30th September 2024

RESOLVED that the forecast outturn position for the HRA for 2024/25 be noted, with consideration given to key variances.

Speakers

Mr K. Kondakor

Councillor M. Kondakor

Options

To accept the report; or

To request further information on the forecasted position.

Reasons

The Council is required to achieve a balanced budget each year.

CB56 Capital Forecast Q2 2024/25

The Assistant Director – Finance submitted the forecasted outturn position for both General Fund and Housing Revenue Account (HRA).

RESOLVED that

- a) To consider the Q2 forecasted capital outturn position for 2024/25 for the General Fund and HRA;
- b) It be recommended to Council that an update to the 2025/26 forecasted Budget for Capital be included for s106 funded projects detailed in 4.18 of the report; and
- c) It be recommended to Council for approval of a change to the Capital and Revenue Budget on Cemeteries for 2024/25 detailed at 4.21 in the report.

Speakers

Mr K. Kondakor

Options

To accept the report; or

To request further information on the outturn position.

Reasons

To ensure the Council has an accurate capital budget.

CB57 Recommendations From Overview and Scrutiny Panels

None

CB58 Any Other Items

None

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PUBLICATION DATE: 21st November 2024

DECISIONS COME INTO FORCE: 29th November 2024

Cabinet - Schedule of Declarations of Interests - 2024/2025

Name of Councillor	Disclosable Pecuniary Interest	Other Personal Interest	Dispensation
General dispensations granted to all members under s.33 of the Localism Act 2011			Granted to all members of the Council in the areas of: - Housing matters - Statutory sick pay under Part XI of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 - An allowance, payment given to members - An indemnity given to members - Any ceremonial honour given to members - Setting council tax or a precept under the Local Government Finance Act 1992 - Planning and Licensing matters - Allotments - Local Enterprise Partnership
S. Hey	Director – - Heywire Ltd - Brilliant Bookings Ltd	Member of the Labour Party, National Trust, CAMRA (Campaign for Real Ale), Royal Photographic Society. Representative on the following Outside Bodies:	
T. Jenkins	Managing Partner – Gribblybugs LLP	The Labour Party (sponsorship) - Committee Member of Warwickshire Amphibian & Reptile Team - Member of Warwickshire Wildlife Trust - Member of Equity – Trade Union Members of National Trust and English Heritage Representative on the following Outside Bodies:	

Name of Councillor	Disclosable Pecuniary Interest	Other Personal Interest	Dispensation
		Nuneaton and Bedworth Sports Forum, Safer Warwickshire Partnership Board, Warwickshire Health and Wellbeing Board, Warwickshire Police and Crime Panel, Biodiversity Champion Committee of Management of Hartshill and Nuneaton Recreation Ground Exhall Education Foundation Foleshill Charity Trustee – Proffitt's Charity	
N. King	Employed by Love Hair and Beauty	Representative on the following Outside Bodies: • Nuneaton Town Deal Board	
R. Roze	Director – InfiniTEN Ltd	Representative on the following Outside Bodies: • A5 Member Partnership • Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Enterprises Ltd • PATROL (Parking and Traffic Regulations Outside of London) Joint Committee Services. • Building Control Partnership Steering Group • Bedworth Town Deal Board	
J. Sheppard		Representative on the following Outside Bodies:	Dispensation to speak and vote on any matters of Borough Plan that relate to the Directorship of
		Member of Labour Party	Wembrook Community Centre

Name of Discl Councillor Pecunia	Other Personal Interest Dispensation
C.M. Watkins Employee Pack	Representative on the following outside bodies: Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Enterprises Ltd. (NABCEL) Coventry, Warwickshire and Hinckley and Bosworth Joint Committee Local Government Association Nuneaton and Bedworth Hone Improvement Agency Nuneaton and Bedworth Safer and Stronger Communities Partnership Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Enterprises Ltd Warwickshire Housing Support Partnership West Midlands Combined Authority Board (WMCA) West Midland Combined Housing and Land delivery Board