

NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET

4th December 2024

A meeting of Cabinet was held on Wednesday 4th December, 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 S. Hey (Resources & Customer Services)
Councillor T. Jenkins (Leisure, Communities and Health)
Councillor R. Roze (Planning & Enforcement)
Councillor N. King (Business and Regeneration)

CB59 **Apologies**

None

CB60 **Declarations of Interest**

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

CB61 **Minutes**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 6th November 2024, be approved, and signed by the Chair

CB62 **Approval of Infrastructure Funding Statement**

The Strategic Director – Economy & Place submitted a report seeking approval to publish the 2023/24 Infrastructure Funding Statement.

RESOLVED that

- a) The infrastructure funding statement be noted;
- b) The updated 2023/24 Infrastructure Funding Statement be published; and
- c) Delegated Authority be given to the Strategic Director for Place and Economy in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Enforcement to make any minor changes to the document prior to publication.

Speakers:

Mr Peter Smith
Mr Keith Kondakor
Councillor Michele Kondakor

Options

- a) To endorse the recommendations and publish the Infrastructure Funding Statement

b) Not to publish the Infrastructure Funding Statement.

Reasons

To enable the Council to comply with the requirements of Regulation 121A of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 as amended by The Community Infrastructure Levy (amendment) (England) (No.2) Regulations 2019.

CB63 Project Updates – Saints/Pingles Leisure Centre

The Strategic Director – Economy & Place and Strategic Director – Public Services submitted to Cabinet an update on the current position of the Saints and Pingles Decarbonisation Project

RESOLVED that

- a) funding of £56k to undertake identified works at the Saints site Nuneaton be approved with delegated authority given for the Assistant Director Economy & Regeneration in consultation with the Portfolio Holder Business & Regeneration to deliver this project;
- b) funding of £280k to undertake identified works at the Pingles Leisure Centre be approved with delegated authority given to the Strategic Director – Public Services in consultation with the Portfolio Holder Leisure, Communities & Health to deliver this project; and
- c) the establishment of £250k per annum as a General Fund budget to support major capital works on public assets be approved.

Speakers:

Mr Peter Smith

Mr Keith Kondakor

Councillor Michele Kondakor

Options

- 1) Accept the recommendations
- 2) Do not accept the recommendations detailed
- 3) Provide amended recommendations

Reasons

To provide an update of the current position of the two project, financial situation and options to address issues identified.

CB64 Draft General Fund Revenue Budget 2025/26

The Strategic Director – Corporate Resources presented to Cabinet the draft revenue budget for the General Fund for 2025/26 and an update on the Chancellor's Autumn Statement

RESOLVED that

- a) the General Fund budget position detailed within the report be noted;

- b) an update on the General Fund 2025/26 budget be presented to Cabinet in February once the NNDR1 is finalised and the Local Government Financial Settlement has been announced;
- c) the Chairs of Overview & Scrutiny Panels be notified of the budget proposals in line with the Constitution;
- d) the Strategic Director – Public Services bid for grant funding from Arts Council England (Creative People and Place Fund) to continue cultural activity delivery - detail in paragraph 4.13 of the report be approved;
- e) the Council Tax base for 2025/26 and the surplus on the Council Tax Fund detailed in paragraph 4.1 of the report be noted and approved; and
- f) consultation with local businesses be undertaken in line with Section 65 of the Local Government Finance Act.

Speakers

Mr Peter Smith
Mr K. Kondakor
Councillor Michele Kondakor

Options

- 1) to accept the recommendations
- 2) to not accept the recommendations and propose alternative suggestions

Reasons

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

CB65 Recommendations From Overview and Scrutiny Panels

None

CB66 Any Other Items

None

Chair

PUBLICATION DATE: 12th December 2024

DECISIONS COME INTO FORCE: 23rd December 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • West Midlands Employers Board (NBBC representative) • Local Government Superannuation Scheme Consultative Board • Grayson Place (NBBC) Limited • West Midlands Employers • Nuneaton and Bedworth Older People's Forum 	
	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
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nuneaton Town Deal Board 	
	R. Roze	Director – InfiniTEN Ltd	Representative on the following Outside Bodies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sherbourne Asset Co Shareholder Committee • Warwickshire Direct Partnership • Warwickshire Waste Partnership • Nuneaton Neighbour Watch Committee 	
Director of Wembrook Community Centre.			Dispensation to speak and vote on any matters of Borough Plan that relate to the Directorship of Wembrook Community Centre	
Member of Labour Party				

	Name of Councillor	Disclosable Pecuniary Interest	Other Personal Interest	Dispensation
	C.M. Watkins	Employee of Nutri Pack	<p>Representative on the following outside bodies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nuneaton and Bedworth Community Enterprises Ltd. (NABCEL) • Coventry, Warwickshire and Hinckley and Bosworth Joint Committee • Local Government Association • Nuneaton and Bedworth Home 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 	