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Dear Sir/Madam,

Addendum Council – 14th February, 2022

I refer to item no 9 on the agenda and attach Cabinet report 2022 that was marked to follow.

Yours faithfully,

BRENT DAVIS

Chief Executive

To: Members of the Council

Cabinet Report to Council, 14th February 2022

1. Introduction

This report deals with the Cabinet meetings held on 8th December 2021, 12th January 2022, and 2nd February 2022.

It also includes details of any reports from the West Midlands Combined Authority Board, which have, or may have in the future, a direct impact on NBBC, namely the Board meeting held on 14th January 2022

2. 8th December Cabinet Meeting

a) Housing Revenue Account – Void Garden Clearance and Ground Maintenance Ad-Hoc Works Housing and Communities – Councillor Clare Golby (Key Decision)

Cabinet approved the Teckal agreement with NABCEL would be entered into by the Council for the provision of void garden clearance and Grounds Maintenance Ad-Hoc works that do not form part of the current Grounds Maintenance Contract. In addition, it was agreed that Delegated Authority be given to the Director – Planning and Regulation to establish the agreement.

b) Public Space Protection Order – Misuse of Novel Psychoactive Substances and Alcohol Planning and Regulation – Councillor Richard Smith (Key Decision)

Cabinet approved the boroughwide orders of the Public Space Protection Order – Misuse of Novel Psychoactive Substances and alcohol in Public Spaces as set out in Appendix B of the report.

c) Local Development Scheme Planning and Regulation – Councillor R. Smith (Key Decision)

Cabinet approved the updated Local Development Scheme. The timescales identified within the updated Local Development Scheme be noted, and that it be recommended to Council that the approved Local Development Scheme be adopted, be published on the Council's website and that the Town Centres Area Action Plan be withdrawn and replaced by a Town Centres Supplementary Planning Document. It was also recommended to Council that the Town Centres Area Action Plan DPD be withdrawn.

d) Approval of Infrastructure Funding Statement (IFS), Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP), and Authority Monitoring Report (AMR) Planning and Regulation – Councillor R. Smith (Key Decision)

The Cabinet also approved and adopted the Infrastructure Funding Statement and the updated Infrastructure Delivery Plan. Cabin agreed that Delegated Authority be given to the Head of Planning, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Regulation, to make minor changes to the documents prior to publication.

e) General Revenue Budget 2022/23 – Tranche One Savings

Finance and Corporate – Councillor Samuel Croft (Key Decision)

Cabinet approved in principle the revenue savings for 2022/23 totalling £1.1m and the two items of growth as identified in section 8 of the report. These proposals will be included as part of the final budget to be approved at Council in February 2022. It was also agreed that the Chairs of the Overview and Scrutiny Panels be informed of the proposals in line with the Council's Constitution.

f) Communications and Marketing Strategy

Finance and Corporate – Councillor Samuel Croft (Key Decision)

Cabinet approved the Communications and Marketing Strategy which recommended that the Council continues to develop a positive and pro-active approach to engaging with residents and stakeholders.

g) Communications and Marketing Team Re-Structure

Finance and Corporate – Councillor Samuel Croft (Key Decision)

Cabinet approved the suggested restructure proposal and agreed that this be incorporated in the growth item into the 2022/2023 draft General Fund Revenue Budget. It was agreed that Delegated Authority be given to the Director – Customer and Corporate Services in consultation with the Chief Executive and Finance and Corporate Portfolio Holder to implement a revised structure, following due consultation and in line with the draft 2022/23 budget proposals.

h) Town Centre Regeneration Update

Business and Regeneration – Councillor Kristofer Wilson (Key Decision)

Cabinet approved the revised Masterplan. It was agreed that Delegated Authority be given to the Director – Housing and Regeneration to take all appropriate steps to deliver Phase 1 of the proposed development. The land and property required for the Abbey Street development be appropriated for planning purposes under Section 122 of the Local Government Act 1972, and the subsisting rights within the site be extinguished pursuant to Section 203 of the Housing and Planning Act 2016. It was agreed that Delegated Authority be given to the Head of Regeneration and Estates to negotiate and agree Agreement for Leases and Leases with potential occupiers/tenants.

Other items considered

- Independent Living Schemes

3. 12th January Cabinet Meeting

**a) Local Enforcement Plan (Planning) – Adoption
Planning and Regulation – Councillor Richard Smith (Key Decision)**

Cabinet approved the Local Enforcement Plan (Planning document) for adoption at Full Council. It was also agreed that Delegated Authority be given to the Head of Planning and Building Control in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Regulation to make minor amendments to the documents prior to adoption.

**b) Gypsy and Traveller Site Allocations Development Plan Document (DPD) – Publication Consultation
Planning and Regulation – Councillor Richard Smith (Key Decision)**

Cabinet approved the Gypsy and Traveller Site Allocations DPD Publication document and the supporting documents for public consultation under Regulation 19 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012. Additionally, the period of public strategy began on 28th January 2022 and will end on 25th March 2022 (or later dates but for the same duration if agreed with the Head of Planning and the Cabinet Member for Planning and Regulation). It was also agreed that Delegated Authority be given to the Head of Planning in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Regulation to make minor amendments to the documents prior to consultation.

**c) Supplementary Planning Documents Adoption Transport Demand Matters – Parking Standards SPD and Conservation Areas Appraisals AND Management SPDs
Planning and Regulation – Councillor Richard Smith (Key Decision)**

Cabinet approved the Transport Demand Management Matters – Parking Standards SPD and the five Conservation Area Appraisals and Management Plan SPDs and the Transport Demand Matters SPD and recommended this for adoption at Full Council. It was agreed that Delegated Authority be given to the Head of Planning, with consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Regulation to make minor amendments to the documents prior to consideration at Full Council.

**d) Arbury Strategic Housing Allocation Design Code Supplementary Planning Document Consultation
Planning and Regulation – Councillor Richard Smith (Key Decision)**

Cabinet approved the Arbury strategic housing allocation design code SPD for consultation. The period of public consultation began on 31st January 2022 and will end on 27th March 2022 (or later dates but for the same duration if agreed

with the Head of Planning and the Cabinet Member for Planning and Regulation if necessary). Additionally, it was agreed that Delegated Authority be given to the Head of Planning and Building Control on consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Regulation to make minor changes to the documents prior to the publication of the consultation.

Other items considered:

- Public Conveniences and Car Parks – NABCEL

4. 2nd February Cabinet Meeting

a) Air Quality Action Plan

Housing and Environment - Councillor Julian Gutteridge (Key Decision)

Cabinet approved the retainment of the Air Quality Management Area 1, and the final Air Quality Action Plan. It was agreed that Delegated Authority be given to the Director – Planning and Regulation to finalise the precise wording with minor alterations, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder.

b) Economic Development Strategy

Business and Regeneration – Councillor Kristofer Wilson (Key Decision)

Cabinet approved the consultation with Members and Stakeholders detailed at paragraph 4.2 of the report.

Other items considered

- Civic Honours Sub-Committee: Terms of Reference

i) West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA)

In terms of items which have, or may have in the future, a direct impact on NBBC the WMCA Board meeting of 14th January 2022 considered:

- A report seeking approval for consultation on the Draft 2022/23 West Midlands Combined Authority consolidated revenue budget to take place. As part of this, the annual fees for Non-Constituent Authority and observer members are proposed to increase from £25,000 to £30,000.
- A report providing an update on the Combined Authority's finances as at the end of November 2021.

- A report providing a summary of the WMCA Equality Scheme objectives and giving information on provisional timescales for publication of the Scheme.
- A report seeking endorsement of the approach for developing the new West Midlands Local Transport Plan and approval to undertake public engagement on the draft Core Strategy document.

It should be noted that the meeting held on 14th January was not a formal meeting of the WMCA Board but was held as a 'consultation call' by the Chief Executive, under her delegated powers to allow her to take urgent action in consultation with the Mayor and portfolio leads. It replaced the formal WMCA Board meeting scheduled for 14 January 2022 which was cancelled due to concerns about the increased risk of COVID-19 infection at the time. The consultation call was livestreamed to ensure openness and transparency.

Following the consultation call, the Chief Executive took delegated decisions having regard to the consultation.

5. Conclusion

This report is presented on behalf of Cabinet, and, as always, my colleagues and I are only too happy to take any questions in relation to this report.

Councillor K. Wilson
Leader of the Council on behalf of Cabinet