#### **CABINET - 19.1.2022**

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CABINET HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 19 JANUARY 2022

### **COUNCILLORS**

PRESENT Nesil Caliskan (Leader of the Council), Ian Barnes (Deputy

Leader of the Council) and Mary Maguire (Cabinet Member for

Finance and Procurement)

ABSENT Gina Needs (Cabinet Member for Social Housing), Mustafa

Cetinkaya (Associate Cabinet Member for Enfield South East), Katherine Chibah (Associate Cabinet Member for Enfield West) and Ergin Erbil (Associate Cabinet Member - Non-

geographical),

**OFFICERS:** Ian Davis (Chief Executive), Fay Hammond (Executive

Director Resources), Sarah Cary (Executive Director Place), Tony Theodoulou (Executive Director People), Melanie Dawson (Senior Solicitor), Matt Bowmer (Interim Director of Finance), Doug Wilkinson (Director of Environment & Operational Services) and Will Wraxall (Shareholder and

Commercial Partnerships Manager) Jane Creer (Secretary)

Also Attending: Other Cabinet Members: Rick Jewell (Cabinet Member for

Environment), Nneka Keazor (Cabinet Member for Community

Safety & Cohesion), Guney Dogan (Cabinet Member for Commercial Services), Alev Cazimoglu (Cabinet Member for Health & Social Care), George Savva (Cabinet Member for Licensing & Regulatory Services), Mahtab Uddin (Cabinet

Member for Children's Services), and Ahmet Hasan

(Associate Cabinet Member for Enfield North) and officers

joined virtually due to Covid arrangements.

# 1 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Nesil Caliskan, Chair, welcomed attendees and everyone watching the livestream. Due to the Covid risk, a quorum of Cabinet Members were conducting the meeting in the Council Chamber with officers. Other Cabinet Members were joining virtually in an informal capacity and would be able to contribute to the meeting if they wished.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mustafa Cetinkaya.

# 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

# 3 DEPUTATIONS

NOTED that no requests for deputations had been received for presentation to this Cabinet meeting.

## 4 MINUTES

**AGREED** that the minutes of the previous meeting of the Cabinet held on 8 December 2021 be confirmed as a correct record.

# 5 TRADING COMPANY ANNUAL ACCOUNTS AND PERFORMANCE

Councillor Mary Maguire (Cabinet Member for Finance and Procurement) introduced the report of the Director of Law and Governance presenting the results and the progress achieved by the Council's wholly owned trading companies.

#### NOTED

- 1. The key results in respect of Housing Gateway and Energetik were highlighted.
- 2. The Council paid particular attention to risk and its mitigation.
- 3. In response to the Chair's queries, officers confirmed endorsement of Energetik's business case by independent professionals in the field.

## **Alternative Options Considered:**

The only alternative option is not to report or monitor progress, which as identified in paragraph 25 of the report may result in a lack of cohesion between the Council's objectives and its use of companies and place the Council's investments in its companies at greater risk.

**DECISION:** The Cabinet agreed to note the results presented and the progress achieved by the companies.

#### Reason:

The company accounts are approved by the Company Boards and are presented to Cabinet for transparency and to ensure companies' performance remains in accordance with the Council's strategic priorities.

# (Non Key)

QUARTERLY CORPORATE PERFORMANCE REPORT (Q2)

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Councillor Ian Barnes (Deputy Leader of the Council) introduced the report of the Executive Director Resources presenting the quarterly Corporate Performance Scorecard.

#### NOTED

- 1. Council performance against key priorities was detailed in the report.
- 2. Areas of positive performance were highlighted, including around children's and adult social care.
- 3. Some key performance indicators had been impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic.
- 4. Targeted work was underway to address under performance.
- 5. In response to Members' queries, officers confirmed preventative work being done to address numbers in temporary accommodation.

## **Alternative Options Considered:**

Not to report regularly on the Council's performance in a public report. This would make it difficult to assess progress made on achieving the Council's main priorities and to demonstrate the value for money being provided by Council services.

**DECISION:** The Cabinet agreed to note, for information only, the progress being made towards delivering the key priority indicators for Enfield.

#### Reason:

The report is part of the Quarterly timetable for Cabinet to review performance.

## (Non Key)

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#### **CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITOR PERIOD 8 2021/22**

Councillor Mary Maguire (Cabinet Member for Finance and Procurement) introduced the report of the Executive Director Resources setting out the current position of the Council's 10 Year Capital Programme 2021/22 to 2030/31.

## **NOTED**

- 1. Details of the current position of the Council's 10 Year Capital Programme as at the end of November 2021 were set out in the report.
- 2. The 2021/22 forecast year end expenditure was set out for the General Fund, the Housing Revenue Account, and Enfield Companies.
- 3. Information on re-profiling and additions was highlighted.
- 4. In response to Members' queries, it was confirmed that further information would be available soon in respect of Section 106 and CIL spending.

## **Alternative Options Considered:**

Not applicable.

**DECISION:** The Cabinet agreed to:

- 1. Note the inclusion of the following capital programmes, including updated grant funding, as detailed in Table 3 of the report. The programmes listed below, were included as 'Requested Additions' in the Council's 10 Year Capital Programme and have now been granted approval to spend:
  - a. IT Investment
  - b. Build the Change
- 2. Recommend to Council approval of the following additions to the capital programme as detailed in Table 4 of the report:
  - a. Flood alleviation
  - b. Highways and Street Scene
  - c. Sloeman's Farm
  - d. Healthy Streets
  - e. Traffic and Transportation
  - f. Energetik
- 3. Note Appendix A to the report details the revised 10 Year Capital Programme including all programmes with approval to spend. The total budget is £1,760,063k (Q2 £1,730,629k).
- 4. Note Appendix B details requested additions, that are subject to further approval.
- 5. Note Appendix C details the total revised 10 Year Capital Programme. The total budget is £2,692,585k (Q2 £2,691,468k).

#### Reason:

The Council's Capital Programme is regularly reviewed, and monitoring reports are submitted to Cabinet on a quarterly basis.

(Key decision – reference number 5349)

# 8 HRA REVENUE AND CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITOR PERIOD 8 2021/22

Councillor Mary Maguire (Cabinet Member for Finance and Procurement) introduced the report of the Executive Director Resources providing an update on the current forecast outturn position of the Housing Revenue Account (HRA).

**NOTED** 

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- 1. The report covered both revenue and capital expenditure associated with the delivering the Council's housing service, up to the end of November 2021.
- 2. The impacts of Brexit and the Covid-19 pandemic were highlighted.
- 3. In response to Members' queries, officers confirmed between now and the end of March there would be emphasis on progressing new homes projects.

# **Alternative Options Considered:**

Not applicable.

**DECISION:** The Cabinet agreed

- 1. To note the Period 8 HRA forecast outturn position for 2021/22 for the revenue and capital budgets.
- 2. To note the revenue Covid-19 impact of £0.280m pressure.

#### Reason:

The Council's Capital Programme is regularly reviewed, and monitoring reports are submitted to Cabinet on a quarterly basis.

(Key decision – reference number 5350)

# 9 CABINET AGENDA PLANNING - FUTURE ITEMS

NOTED, for information, the provisional list of items scheduled for future Cabinet meetings.

# 10 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

NOTED the next scheduled meeting of the Cabinet on Wednesday 16 February 2022.