

BOURNEMOUTH, CHRISTCHURCH AND POOLE COUNCIL
CABINET

Minutes of the Meeting held on 20 December 2019 at 10.00 am

Present:-

Cllr V Slade – Chairman

Cllr M Howell – Vice-Chairman

Present: Cllr L Allison, Cllr D Brown, Cllr L Dedman, Cllr A Hadley,
Cllr S Moore, Cllr M Phipps, Cllr Dr F Rice and Cllr K Wilson

Also in attendance: Cllr S Bartlett, Cllr P Broadhead, Cllr D Butler, Cllr J Edwards, Cllr L
Northover, Cllr T O'Neill, Cllr M White

There were 20 Members of the Public in attendance.

89. Declarations of Interests

There were no declarations of interest made on this occasion.

90. Confirmation of Minutes

The Minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 13 November 2019 were confirmed as a correct record and signed.

Voting: Unanimous

91. Public Issues

The Leader reported that no public questions or petitions had been received on this occasion but that nine statements had been received.

Statement from Nick Greenwood, local resident:

The BCP Council notes headed 'Cabinet' Meeting 20th December 2019 indicate an unstoppable roll-out of 5G with an historical record of disregard for Public Consensus. Seemingly a 'done deal' well in advance of local population awareness on matters that may result in unwelcome adverse public effects. I request a balanced Public awareness drive and Public Notices to all BCP Constituents including but not limited to:

- (1) Lansdowne Test Bed details with consideration for the Nuremberg Code.
- (2) Location/details of all transmission/receiver equipment related to 5G and the Smart Place Program.
- (3) Health Risk Awareness/Assessments
- (4) Financial risks and Insurance difficulties.

Statement from Mike Forte, local resident:

"Do you understand the components comprising '5G' and what each allegedly offers over and above current technology?"

The promised Internet of things is failing because of weak encryption keys and proving a gift for hackers.

Autonomous vehicles are ill-suited to the roads of Bournemouth except maybe to replace the Noddy Train on the promenade.

Are you satisfied 5G technology is safe to unleash in BCP where you are the guardians of the best interests of citizens and their environment?

I strongly suggest that the only option is to apply the precautionary principle and pause the deployment of 5G in BCP."

Statement from Soo Chapman, local resident:

Relating to the Local Industrial Strategy as well as Community Engagement;

Global crop failures hit at 1.5-2 degrees

Billions die at 3 degrees.

Most humans dead at 4 degrees

Earth uninhabitable at 6 degrees.

We're heading for 1.5 degrees C by 2025

.....for 2 degrees C by 2035

.....for 4-6 degrees by 2075.

Fossil fuels must be left in the ground. BCP council must speedily decarbonise, alert and protect its citizens. Transition Town policies will help salvage harvests and ecosystems.

Climate phobic media, politics and planning has failed us. Community can help.

All Hands on Deck.

Statement from Cathryn Jones

Please stop 5g now

We don't want it here!

We want to be safe

Not to live in fear

that health will come second

to internet speed

Will you listen to the people?

Will you take heed?

To the warnings, concerns

that we don't know enough

That insufficient testing

has been carried out on this stuff

BCP we urge you to listen

Other local authorities do

Glastonbury, Frome, Totnes,

to name a few

Brighton & Hove more recently too

Follow suit
Take a stand
Demand more to be shown
That health will come first
on our planet called home!"

Statement from Amy Tarr

This testbed should not be deployed in Lansdowne without informed consent and full awareness and transparency that

This new technology has not been pre-market safety tested by the telecoms industry for health or environmental harm

That a 5G antenna may be put up outside people's homes or in close proximity

That 5G is a Pulsed millimetre wave radiation and will be in addition to 2G-4G waves.

There will be increased health risks for people with electromagnetic sensitivity, Children, insects and birds.

Be aware that you will be taking on the liability as insurance companies won't insure for EMF damages.

Statement from Emma Johnson

The ICNIRP guidelines are not fit for purpose.

In the Call For Evidence more than 50 residents expressed health concerns about 5G. Many submitted evidence demonstrating the ICNIRP guidelines are inadequate.

ICNIRP only considers thermal (heating) effect of EMFs and give no mention of non-thermal effects. Harmful effects occur at very low non-thermal levels - the safe level is near zero.

They said thalidomide, cigarettes, asbestos, mercury, DDT and glyphosate were safe.

Now they say 5G is safe.

Should we trust what they say or think for ourselves?

I appeal to you as intelligent, caring human beings to decide for yourselves - is 5G really safe?

Statement from David Merefield

In the age of despair and boredom, many thought "smart" technology would save them. They rushed to qualify for tempting economic and lifestyle benefits promised by tech giants. Grasping substantial investment bribes they gave the giants free access to impose wares designed to captivate the people. They willingly silenced real health scares under the tyrannical direction of captured authorities. Thus they continued, even as a plague manifest in widespread mental disorders and infertility.

Yet, a few perceived who had heard it all before, warned this was a trap. They attended closely to the future of their children and graciously they were preserved.

Statement from Sue Merefield

Today's Cabinet Agenda Document does not address the research presented through the public call for evidence detailing how the ICNIRP guidelines are flawed and set guidelines way above EMF levels proven to cause danger to living organisms, nor does it address the lack of long term studies on humans subject to 5G radiation

Whilst the money made from new technology is clearly more important to some than public health, before you vote on the Smart Place Pilot, consider that big corporations will profit from people being sick through consequences of radiation and may be silencing the true evidence.

Statement from Charles Ross Illingworth

"I am concerned that many councillors and officers regard 5G as a done deal, and that the whole O&S process has been a sham to create theatre to public confidence that all the evidence submitted has been seriously looked at.

The evidence given by council officers at O&S lacked nuance and supported the speculative benefits of a 5G rollout without considering any of the downsides. Dr Crowe chose in his testimony to completely ignore the provided expert witness evidence that seriously undermines the credibility of his advice, so lacking objectivity in his arguably conflicted role of providing impartial public health advice."

I have not been well and may not be able to attend the meeting in person. I therefore authorise and nominate Mr Nick Greenwood as my agent to read this statement out on my behalf.

92. Recommendations from the Overview and Scrutiny Board

Cabinet were advised that there were no additional recommendations from the Overview and Scrutiny Board on items not otherwise included on the Cabinet Agenda on this occasion.

93. Smart Place Pilot (Lansdowne)

The Leader presented a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'A' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Cabinet approval was sought to conduct the Smart Place Pilot project at the Lansdowne as an initial proof of concept project for the wider Smart Place Programme, which is the subject of a separate Cabinet report.

In presenting the report the Leader praised the work of the Overview and Scrutiny Board in respect of the 5G call for evidence. The Leader stressed the importance of being in control with regards to the pilot and having the ability to end the pilot if necessary.

The Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Board advised Cabinet that he was pleased that the Overview and Scrutiny Board had held a call for evidence, and that he was grateful that all of the recommendations which came out of the Overview and Scrutiny Board had been brought forwards. In addition the Chairman highlighted that there had been over 220 written submissions along with verbal submissions which had been made at the meetings, and that all of these had been listened to and considered, along with any other evidence presented.

A Councillor present at the meeting addressed the Cabinet stressing their concern with regards to 5G and the potential bad effect it may have on all living things. In addition the Councillor advised that lots of scientists had spoken out against 5G.

Cabinet Members spoke in support of commencing with the pilot highlighting that the pilot will be monitored very carefully, and in addition recognising that there needs to be a debate at a national level.

Cabinet Members further praised the work of the Overview and Scrutiny Board in its call for evidence and for the recommendations which had come out of this process.

RESOLVED that:-

- 1. The deployment of the Smart Place Pilot (Lansdowne) including:**
 - (i) The development of proof of concept Smart Place 'use case' trials, typically in health; environment; transport, tourism and public security etc.**
 - (ii) The development of proof of concept Smart Place 'Applications & Services', typically in transport, volunteering and retail etc.**
 - (iii) A small, temporary sub-6 GHz 5G trial network;**
 - (iv) A small, temporary 26.5 GHz 5G trial network;**
 - (v) Continuous monitoring of electromagnetic field (EMF) emissions from the 5G trial networks to ensure compliance with Public Health England (ICNIRP) guidelines (in accordance with recommendation b) from the Overview & Scrutiny 5G Call for Evidence)**
- 2. Council formally accepts £1m grant funding from the Dorset Local Enterprise Partnership (DLEP) in order to progress the scheme, and amends the Capital Investment Programme (CIP) accordingly**

It is RESOLVED that Cabinet note:

- 3. The recommendations from Overview & Scrutiny relating to the '5G Call for Evidence' public consultation namely:**
 - (a) That Cabinet be asked to consider equitable ways to involve the public more in the consultation around the planning implications of the implementation of 5G technology, particularly with regard to the siting of masts.**

- (b) That if Cabinet is minded to approve the deployment by the Council of 5G connectivity as part of the Lansdowne Digital Pilot continuous monitoring takes place to ensure that the levels of radio wave emissions fall within the internationally recognised limits, and the findings be reported back to the Overview and Scrutiny Board.**
- (c) That the Board agrees that all information submitted in its call for evidence in relation to 5G connectivity be passed to Public Health England to consider for inclusion in future reviews.**
- (d) That a framework be established for feedback to be provided to the Council in relation to the call for evidence information passed to Public Health England.**

Note: In discussing this item, the Chairman [of O&S] agreed on behalf of the Board to request through Cabinet that the Council contacts other relevant local authorities with regard to their work in this area, including those who have agreed to be Government funded test bed areas and those who have declared a moratorium.

- 4. £900k has already been secured for digital infrastructure through the Lansdowne Business District Growth Deal project. This project includes:**
 - (i) Ducting and fibre around the Lansdowne area (already installed);**
 - (ii) Public Wi-Fi network (about to be procured)**
 - (iii) Connection to a commercial data centre**
 - (iv) Internet of Things Network**

Voting: Unanimous

Portfolio Holder: Leader of the Council

94. Community Engagement Strategy Consultation

The Portfolio Holder for Tourism, Leisure Communities presented a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'B' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Cabinet were requested to consider the proposed public consultation on the development of a Community Engagement Strategy for BCP Council. In relation to this Cabinet were advised that the purpose of the strategy was to provide clear principles about how the Council engages and consults with the local community.

The Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Board informed Cabinet that the Overview and Scrutiny Board at their recent meeting had resolved that Cabinet be recommended to build on known good practice and insight gathered by preceding authorities in the development of a Community Engagement Strategy.

In relation to this Cabinet Members stressed the importance of engagement and of going through a proper process of review from new.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) Cabinet approve the draft principles contained within Appendix A, “Community Engagement Strategy Draft Principles”, and;**
- (b) Cabinet approve the implementation of the consultation methodology and timescales included in Appendix B, “Community Engagement Strategy Consultation Plan”, and;**
- (c) Cabinet authorises Officers to develop a Community Regeneration Strategy in due course, and;**
- (d) Cabinet approve the ongoing support of area forums and SNT panels.**

Voting: Unanimous

Portfolio Holder: Tourism, Leisure and Communities

95. Adult Social Care Charging Policy

The Portfolio Holder for Adults and Health presented a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'C' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Cabinet were requested to note the intention to go out to consultation in order to inform the required Adult Social Care charging policy for residents, carers and for people who use services.

The Chairman of the Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee addressed the Cabinet as the Member who had chaired the working party which had considered this matter. In addressing the Cabinet the Chairman of the Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee advised that in consultation with the Vice-Chairman of the Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee it was proposed that an additional question be included within the public consultation this being:

Under p.75 an additional paragraph be included under ‘Transport to and from day centres’

“BCP Council is concerned about the environmental impact of transportation, including that used by people travelling to day centres. As part of this consultation we are asking people whether it would be better to include the cost of transport as part of the overall day centre charge. Including the transport costs in the day centre charge may encourage people to use the Council’s own day centre vehicles and as a result reduce the number of individual cars on the road. However, we understand this might not suit everyone and would like to know the impact this may have on you.”

Cabinet thanked the Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee for their scrutiny of the proposed public consultation and supported the recommendations which had arisen through the working group.

RESOLVED that subject to the additional paragraph being included within the consultation document as set out above:-

- (a) Cabinet noted that BCP Council is required to establish an Adult Social Care charging policy for residents; carers and for people who use services. In order to achieve this, public consultation is necessary in order to inform the final policy; and**
- (b) The proposals for a public consultation on the principles for a new Adult Social Care charging policy for BCP Council be agreed and permission be granted to launch the public consultation necessary to inform the content of the final policy.**

Voting: Unanimous

Portfolio Holder: Adults and Health

96. The Local Industrial Strategy for Dorset

The Leader presented a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'D' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Cabinet were requested to consider and support the Dorset Local Industrial Strategy and further to this were provided with an overview of work co-ordinated by the Dorset Local Enterprise Partnership in close collaboration with BCP Council.

In presenting the report the Leader advised that the strategy had already been signed off by Dorset Council.

The Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Board advised Cabinet that the Overview and Scrutiny Board had welcomed the report.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) That any minor changes requested by Government (in early 2020) are delegated to the Dorset LEP Directors. (Cllr Slade and Cllr Howell); and**
- (b) That BCP Council seeks to support implementation of the Dorset LIS through appropriate alignment with**

Voting: Unanimous

Portfolio Holder: Regeneration and Culture

97. Medium Term Financial Plan Update Report

The Portfolio Holder for Finance presented a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'E' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Cabinet were requested consider the rolling multi-year medium term financial plan in order to comply with accounting codes of practice and best practice. In relation to this Cabinet were advised of the progress which had been made in the development of a robust balanced budget for 2020/21.

The Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Board thanked the Portfolio Holder for his thorough presentation of the report and for the recent briefings which had been held for the Overview and Scrutiny Board. In addition the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Board advised Cabinet that at their recent meeting the Overview and Scrutiny Board had resolved that Cabinet Portfolio Holders be requested to provide further detail on budget work and risk analysis on the savings identified to date in figure 1 of the MTFP report to Cabinet of 20 December, to the Overview and Scrutiny Board in January, and prior to the budget being presented.

A Councillor present at the meeting spoke in support of the recommendation in relation to the new Council Tax discount for BCP care experienced young people.

Cabinet Members discussed the Overview and Scrutiny Boards recommendation in detail expressing concerns with regards to the potential extra work which may be required of officers in order to provide the detail requested, and the potential that some figures may change prior to the final budget being published.

In relation to this the Cabinet were reassured that figures were available, and that reports prepared providing further details around the figures could be submitted to the Overview and Scrutiny Board as late supplementary reports or presented on the day of the meeting.

RESOLVED that Cabinet:-

- (a) Notes the good progress that has been made in developing a robust and lawful budget for 2020/21.**
- (b) Notes the update on the strategic financial risks.**
- (c) Endorses the review of earmarked reserves designed to support the Council's Budget and MTFP process.**
- (d) Approves the continuation of the current 2019/20 Local Council Tax Support Scheme (LCTSS) into 2020/21.**
- (e) Approves the new Council Tax discount for BCP care experienced young people up to the age of 25.**
- (f) Confirms the recommendation of the Overview and Scrutiny Board that Cabinet Portfolio Holders be requested to provide further detail on budget work and risk analysis on the savings identified to date in figure 1 of the MTFP report to Cabinet of 20 December, to the Overview and Scrutiny Board in January, and prior to the budget being presented.**

Voting: Unanimous

Portfolio Holder: Finance

98. Bournemouth International Centre (BIC) short to medium investment plan

The Portfolio Holder Tourism, Leisure & Communities presented a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'F' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Cabinet were requested to consider the allocation of funding to undertake short to medium term investments in the Bournemouth International Centre (BIC), to ensure that it continues to be a venue of choice for conferences and investment.

In presenting the report the Portfolio Holder stressed the importance of investment in the BIC in particular in order to secure long term bookings.

The Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Board advised Cabinet that at their recent meeting the Board had expressed concern with regards to the length of the loan. And that further to this had resolved to make the following recommendations to the Cabinet:

- 1) Delete recommendation of the report; and
- 2) Amend recommendation (b) to read *'Approves the use of up to £1.8m of Prudential Borrowing at assumed interest rate of 5.5% over 25 years.'*

A Councillor in attendance at the meeting addressed the Cabinet expressing concerns with regards to tendering for all the works at once in particular financial costs that may be incurred should not all of the stages of the works be carried out.

In relation to this the Cabinet discussed the tendering and highlighted that tendering for all the work at the same time was the most cost efficient way. In relation to this it was felt that as part of the tendering process the tendering documents could express the concerns and look to limit any financial penalties.

Cabinet Members highlighted the importance of looking to use environmentally friendly products within the development.

RECOMMENDED that Full Council:-

- (a) Supports the proposal for up to £4.7m 'short term' remodelling programme of the Bournemouth International Centre (BIC), on the understanding that only up to £1.8m of this will be committed in advance of the longer-term BIC development options study;**
- (b) Approves the use of up to £4.7m of Prudential Borrowing at assumed interest rate of 5.5% over 25 years;**
- (c) Delegates to the Corporate Director and Portfolio Holder for Destination & Culture responsibility for approving the final specification and phasing of the programme;**
- (d) A commitment to review spending of uncommitted monies in years 2 and 3 of this project should the BIC long term development plan warrant that;**
- (e) Delegates approval of the final funding strategy to the Chief Financial Officer, in liaison with Corporate Director and Portfolio Holder for Finance and Destination & Culture; and**
- (f) Notes that a further report will be brought for Member approval to address ongoing asset management needs across the whole of the BH Live estate.**

Voting: Unanimous

Portfolio Holder: Tourism, Leisure & Communities

99. Applications for designation of Sandbanks Neighbourhood Forum and Sandbanks Peninsula Area Boundary

The Portfolio Holder for Strategic Planning presented a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'G' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Cabinet were asked to consider approving the designation of the Sandbanks Neighbourhood Forum as a relevant body for the purposes of neighbourhood planning within the boundaries of the neighbourhood area set out in the application.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) Note the officer assessment of the application submitted by the proposed Sandbanks Neighbourhood Forum to apply for status as a 'designated body' and the proposed Area boundary.**
- (b) Note the support for the Sandbanks Neighbourhood Forum and area boundary from the consultation responses received.**
- (c) In light of (a) and (b) approve the designation of the Sandbanks Neighbourhood forum as a relevant body for the purposes of neighbourhood planning within the boundaries of the neighbourhood area set out in the application, and;**
- (d) Approve that the area set out in the application be designated as a neighbourhood area for the purposes of neighbourhood planning**

Voting: Unanimous

Portfolio Holder: Strategic Planning

100. Super Hut Development, Fisherman's Walk

The Portfolio Holder for Tourism, Leisure & Communities presented a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'H' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Cabinet were requested to approve a low-risk invest to save development of super huts on the seafront at Fisherman's Walk.

The Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Board addressed the Cabinet advising that at their recent meeting the Overview and Scrutiny Board made the following recommendation to Cabinet:

'Cabinet be recommended to retain one of the proposed super huts for use by the Council for good causes and charitable purposes.'

In relation to the recommendation from the Overview and Scrutiny Board the Portfolio Holder advised that they would be exploring ways in which those who wouldn't ordinarily be able to access the beach huts would be

able to have access by way of community groups having access to one or some of the huts.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) Cabinet approve delivery of the scheme, subject to securing planning consents, and the sale of the super huts on 25 year leases; and**
- (b) Cabinet delegate to the Service Director the setting of the final sales price which will be subject to market review closer to the time (Easter 2021)**

Voting: Unanimous

Portfolio Holder: Tourism, Leisure & Communities

101. Poole Regeneration

The Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Culture, Regeneration and Economy presented a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'I' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Cabinet were requested to consider the work required to develop a Masterplan for the sustainable regeneration of Poole's Town Centre (including Town Centre North, High Street, Poole Quay, Twin Sails Regeneration Area, and other geographically appropriate sites).

The Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Board addressed the Cabinet and praised the Portfolio Holder for Culture, Regeneration & Economy for the report and further to this advised that at their recent meeting the Board resolved to make the following recommendations to Cabinet:

- 1) Cabinet be recommended to build on existing work already done in the development of a revised Masterplan for Poole Town Centre;*
- 2) the revised Masterplan for Poole Town Centre be received by the O&S Board for scrutiny, once developed, and prior to wider consultation on the Masterplan;*
- 3) the Acquisition and Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) Strategy be received by the O&S Board for scrutiny, once developed.*

In relation to the first recommendation the Portfolio Holder advised that much of the previous report would be used as a reference for the masterplanning.

Cabinet discussed the potential relocation of Poole Train Station and the reasons why a potential move would be considered. In relation to this Cabinet were advised that Network Rail were looking at a rail strategy for Dorset.

Cabinet discussed the Overview and Scrutiny Board recommendations and felt that they could be incorporated if the first recommendation was reworded to refer to 'give due consideration to'.

RESOLVED that Cabinet:-

- (a) Approve the repurposing of up to £1m from the remaining Heart of Poole budget to progress a programme for the Regeneration of Poole Town Centre;**
- (b) Delegate authority to the Corporate Director for Regeneration & Economy to progress the procurement of master-planners, undertake due-diligence and explore future delivery mechanisms;**
- (c) Approve the proposed governance structure for the Poole Regeneration Programme as set out in Appendix A;**
- (d) Approve the development of a new Funding Strategy for the delivery of a revised Masterplan for Poole Town Centre;**
- (e) Approve the development of an Acquisition and a Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) Strategy along with associated specialist agent and legal fees, that can be deployed should the need arise;**
- (f) Approve the inclusion of Heritage Action Zone funding and match-funding via s106 and CIL within the Capital Programme (total £1.2m);**
- (g) Delegate approval to the Corporate Director for Regeneration & Economy to explore additional funding requirements to support Regeneration across the conurbation;**
- (h) Give due consideration to existing work already done in the development of a revised Masterplan for Poole Town Centre;**
- (i) the revised Masterplan for Poole Town Centre be received by the O&S Board for scrutiny, once developed, and prior to wider consultation on the Masterplan; and**
- (j) the Acquisition and Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) Strategy be received by the O&S Board for scrutiny, once developed.**

Voting: Unanimous

Portfolio Holders: Culture, Regeneration and Economy
Transport and Infrastructure

102. Poole Harbour Recreation Supplementary Planning Document

The Portfolio Holder for Strategic Planning presented a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'J' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Cabinet approval was sought for the adoption of the Poole Harbour Recreation Supplementary Planning Document.

Cabinet Members spoke in support of the document for referral onto Full Council for adoption.

RECOMMENDED that:-

- (a) Cabinet recommends that Council adopts that the Poole Harbour Recreation Supplementary Planning Document; and**
- (b) any minor changes delegated to the Director of Growth and Infrastructure in liaison with the Portfolio Holder for Strategic Planning.**

Voting: Unanimous

Portfolio Holder: Strategic Planning

103. Housing Scheme at Ibbertson Way, Bournemouth

The Portfolio Holder for Housing presented a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'K' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Cabinet were advised that the BCP Council owned site contained 16 garages, all of which were void and that the site had been secured pending redevelopment. In relation to this Cabinet were requested to consider approve the finances for the current proposal which presented a new build scheme of 3 houses and associated parking to be provided on the site. Further to this Cabinet were advised that these homes would help towards Local Plan housing targets and would also contribute significantly to unmet housing need.

A Councillor present at the meeting addressed Cabinet expressing disappointment that there was no provision for social housing within the scheme, and stressing that it should be possible to make the money work for what you want to achieve.

In relation to this the Portfolio Holder advised that going forwards the Council will be looking for sites where it is possible to achieve social housing.

RESOLVED that the proposed £712k housing scheme be approved for subsequent approval request:-

- (a) Approval to planning and subsequent tender, commencement and completion of build subject to the conditions set out in the Financial Strategy and authorises the Corporate Director for Environment and Community to approve necessary appropriations and contractual and legal agreements in consultation with the Monitoring Officer and Chief Finance Officer;**
- (b) Approve the financial strategy for the scheme as set out in paragraphs 45 to 49 with specific approval for;**
 - (i) The appropriation of land from the General Fund to the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) to enable the development of the affordable housing valued at £35k;**
 - (ii) £358,668 of prudential borrowing to be repaid over 25 years used to finance the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Affordable rented homes;**

- (c) Authorise the Section 151 Officer in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Finance to determine the detailed funding arrangements;**
- (d) Authorise the Corporate Property Officer in consultation with the Monitoring Officer to agree the detailed contract provisions.**

Voting: Unanimous

Portfolio Holder: Housing

104. Dorset Heathlands Planning Framework 2020-2025 Supplementary Planning Document

The Portfolio Holder for Strategic Planning presented a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'L' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Cabinet approval was sought to consult upon the Dorset Heathlands Planning Framework 2020-2025 Supplementary Planning Document and for Urban Heaths Partnership funding for a further 2 year period.

Cabinet Members spoke in support of the report.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) Cabinet approves the publication of the Dorset Heathlands Planning Framework 2020-2025 Supplementary Planning Document for public consultation;**
- (b) any minor changes to the consultation document are delegated to the Director of Growth and Infrastructure in liaison with the Portfolio Holder for Strategic Planning; and**
- (c) Cabinet approves the funding arrangements for the Urban Heaths Partnership for the period 1st April 2020 to 31st March 2022.**

Voting: Unanimous

Portfolio Holder: Strategic Planning

The meeting ended at 1.05 pm

CHAIRMAN