

Cabinet DECISION RECORD

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Part A – Items considered in public

A5	<p>Status: For Determination</p> <p>Call-in to apply: Yes</p> <p>Open</p>	The Future of Planning in Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole	<p>RESOLVED that Cabinet: -</p> <p>(a) noted and endorsed the measures underway to improve and transform the planning service as part of a programme approach governed by the Planning Improvement Board; and</p> <p>(b) agreed the spend profile for the £250,000 2021/21 budget allocation to provide interim support to deal with current demand in the system.</p> <p>Voting: Nem. Con (2 abstentions)</p> <p>Portfolio Holder: Regeneration, Economy and Strategic Planning</p> <p><u>Reason</u></p> <p>To support the ongoing demands on the BCP Planning service.</p>
A6	<p>Status: For Determination</p> <p>Call-in to apply: Yes</p> <p>Open</p>	Poole Business Improvement District (BID)	<p>RESOLVED that Cabinet agree to continue BCP Council's support of the Poole Business Improvement District (BID); and agree: -</p> <p>i) To endorse the BID proposal submitted by the Poole Business Improvement District;</p> <p>ii) To note that the re-ballot will be run by CIVICA at a cost of £3,000. It was agreed with the BID that this one-off cost would be paid for by the BCP</p>

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			<p>Council Economic Development team through existing budgets;</p> <p>iii) To note that if the re-ballot is successful, the Council will pay any BID levy due in relation to the Council's properties within the BID area (currently totalling £18,887 per annum) for 5 years. The service units that own the liable premises will pay the levy for their site(s);</p> <p>iv) To authorise the Director - Development to complete the ballot papers on behalf of the Council in favour of the BID proposal; and</p> <p>v) To authorise the Head of Legal Services to complete any necessary legal agreements required for the operation of the BID Levy, Ballot and service arrangements and any other necessary matters for the proposed BID in consultation with the appropriate officers.</p> <p>Voting: Nem.Con</p> <p>Portfolio Holder: Regeneration, Economy and Strategic Planning</p> <p><u>Reason</u></p> <p>BCP Council is fully supportive of BIDs and the significant benefits and investment that they bring. The Poole BID helps deliver the Council's strategic aims and objectives including the 'Rejuvenating Poole' project in the Council's 'Big Plan'. It is therefore recommended that BCP Council supports the Poole BID re-ballot for a further 5-year term.</p>
A7	<p>Status: For Determination</p> <p>Call-in to apply: Yes</p>	Acquisition of Bournemouth Indoor Bowls Centre (Kings Park)	<p>RESOLVED that Cabinet: -</p> <p>(a) subject to satisfactory completion of due diligence agrees to the Council exchange contracts on the purchase of the Bournemouth Indoor Bowls Centre (Kings Park) lease, funded by Towns Investment Fund Accelerator Funding; and</p> <p>(b) agrees to complete the purchase of the lease for the Bournemouth Indoor</p>

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	Open		<p>Bowls Centre (Kings Parks) either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) utilising Towns Investment Funds grant (subject to approval of the Full Business Case by MHCLG funded or; (ii) utilising Prudential Borrowing; and (iii) delegates authority to the Corporate Property Officer in consultation with the Portfolio Holder, Monitoring Officer and S151 Officer to finalise the detailed terms of the acquisition and funding model. <p>Voting: Unanimous</p> <p>Portfolio Holder: Regeneration, Economy and Strategic Planning</p>
A8	<p>Status: For Determination</p> <p>Call-in to apply: Yes</p> <p>Open</p>	Highway Asset Management Policy and Strategy	<p>RESOLVED that Cabinet: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) approves adoption of the draft Highway Asset Management Policy and Strategy; and (b) delegates authority to the Director for Growth and Infrastructure, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Transport and Sustainability, to approve the subsequent Asset Management Plan and other associated operational documents that will be produced following the adoption of the Policy and Strategy. <p>Voting: Unanimous</p> <p>Portfolio Holder: Transport and Sustainability</p> <p><u>Reason</u></p> <p>By adopting the principles set out in the Highway Asset Management Policy and Strategy, this would enable informed decisions to be made about investment and maintenance funding; assist in the targeting of resources to where they can be most</p>

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			effective and enable the identification and management of the risks associated with the Council's statutory duties to manage and maintain public infrastructure. This will be used to inform the proposed highway maintenance programme and ensure that BCP Council are able to fully utilise funding awarded.
A9	<p>Status: For Determination</p> <p>Call-in to apply: Yes only to the resolved matters</p> <p>Part exempt (Confidential appendix)</p>	Management & development of leisure centres	<p>RECOMMENDED that Council: -</p> <p>(a) Approve the new short-term management contract for leisure centres in Poole with current operator Everyone Active in accordance with confidential Appendix 1;</p> <p>(b) Approves £0.7m prudential borrowing to support the total £1.2m cost of developing a new Synthetic Turf Pitch (STP) at Rossmore Leisure Centre (subject to planning approval & grant funding) and the replacement of the existing pitch carpet at Two Riversmeet Leisure Centre, in accordance with the finance plan in Appendix 3;</p> <p>RESOLVED that Cabinet: -</p> <p>(c) Notes that the Rossmore STP scheme is expected to be supported by up to £0.5m grant funding from the Football Foundation and other third parties;</p> <p>(d) Delegates the Service Director for Destination & Culture and the Director of Finance (S151 Officer), in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Tourism, Leisure & Culture, to finalise the details and related funding arrangements for (1) and (2); and</p> <p>(e) Note BH Live's Business Plan for 2021/22.</p> <p>Voting: Unanimous</p> <p>Portfolio Holder: Tourism, Leisure and Culture</p>

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			<p><u>Reasons</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Delivery of the Council's corporate commitment to increase leisure provision and help people participate and lead more active and healthy lives. 2. The unprecedented impact of COVID-19 on the Council and its leisure partners. 3. To address a strategic need for Synthetic Turf Pitch provision, meet customer demand, enhance service provision at Rossmore LC and resolve a maintenance issue at Two Riversmeet LC. 4. Delivery of the Council's Built Sports Facilities and Playing Pitch Strategies with significant financial support from sports charity, the Football Foundation.
A10	<p>Status: For Determination</p> <p>Call-in to apply: Yes only to the resolved matters</p> <p>Open</p>	Our Museum: Poole Museum Redevelopment Project	<p>RECOMMENDED that Council: -</p> <p>(a) approves the submission of a Round 2 funding application to NLHF for £2,240k for the Our Museum: Poole Museum Redevelopment Project (total project value £4,242k);</p> <p>(b) approves the use of up to £1,023k new prudential borrowing in support of the Round 2 funding application. This will reduce to £278k new prudential borrowing should the Round 2 funding application be unsuccessful;</p> <p>RESOLVED that Cabinet: -</p> <p>(c) approves the repurposing of £200k CIL allocated to Our Poole Museum Redevelopment Project to Scaplen's Court development, in the event of an unsuccessful Round 2 funding application; and</p> <p>(d) notes the resulting unfunded revenue pressure of <u>up to</u> £17k in 2022/23 and £70k in 2023/24 from income forgone during construction phase.</p> <p>Voting: Unanimous</p> <p>Portfolio Holder: Tourism, Leisure and Culture</p>

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			<u>Reason</u> To facilitate funding of the Our Museum: Poole Museum Redevelopment Project and enable it to deliver on the Council's Big Plan aim to rejuvenate Poole and strategic aims for Culture.
A11	Status: For Determination Call-in to apply: Yes Open	BCP Homelessness Strategy	RESOLVED that the Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy and related Action Plan be approved following the full review and consultation period that has been undertaken. Voting: Unanimous Portfolio Holder: Homes <u>Reason</u> All Councils are required to publish a Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy and related Action Plan following the full review and consultation period that has been undertaken.
A13	Status: For Determination Call-in to apply: Yes Open	Harmonisation of Pest Control Services	RESOLVED that: - (a) Pest Control services across Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole be harmonised; and (b) A fee subsidy of 50% for pest control treatments relating to rodents, fleas and bedbugs be offered to residents in receipt of qualifying benefits. Voting: Unanimous Portfolio Holder: Community Safety <u>Reason</u> The removal of subsidies in Poole could result in a reduction in uptake of pest control treatments and hence might leave some residents suffering the consequences of

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			continued infestations. A 50% fee subsidy is predicted to result in a small budget impact of £4,200 which could be funded from within the service and would enable all BCP Council residents in receipt of qualifying benefits to access significantly subsidised pest control services. A 100% subsidy would result in a budget impact of circa £23,500, which could not be funded from within the service.
A14	<p>Status: For Determination</p> <p>Call-in to apply: Yes</p> <p>Open</p>	Stour Valley Park Partnership and Strategy	<p>RESOLVED that: -</p> <p>(a) Cabinet agrees to BCP Council becoming a partner within the Stour Valley Park Partnership; and</p> <p>(b) Cabinet note that a Stour Valley Park Landscape Strategy will be developed for Autumn 2021 and recommended to Cabinet for adoption. A more detailed landscape masterplan will be developed by Spring 2022.</p> <p>Voting: Unanimous</p> <p>Portfolio Holder: Environment, Cleansing and Waste</p> <p><u>Reason</u></p> <p>BCP Council is one of the leading organisations contributing towards the Stour Valley Park Partnership and a significant landowner within the landscape. To fully contribute towards the development of the strategy it is important that the council is a member of the partnership.</p> <p>Other partners include Dorset Council, Natural England, Bournemouth University, Environment Agency, National Trust, Dorset Wildlife Trust, Wessex Water, Bournemouth Water, Stour Catchment Initiative, Public Health Dorset, RSPB, Dorset Local Nature Partnership, Wessex Water and The Parks Foundation.</p> <p>The Stour Valley Park Partnership is a partnership of organisations with an interest in the natural environment and should not be confused with the Stour Valley and Poole Partnership, which provides revenue and benefits services to local government in the</p>

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			<p>area.</p> <p>The Future Parks Accelerator Project was adopted by BCP as a key project following LGR. BCP is one of eight city regions to be nationally funded through the FPA for its proposals to develop sustainable parks for the 21st century. One key output will be a new Stour Valley Park Strategy 2021.</p> <p>The Stour Valley Park Partnership and Strategy will create landscape scale management opportunities to: enhance access to green space, mitigate climate change, increase biodiversity, improve water quality, develop active travel networks, benefit health and wellbeing and enhance our tourism offer.</p> <p>The Stour Valley Park Strategy will inform the emerging BCP Council Green Infrastructure Strategy and Local Plan.</p> <p>Covid19 has highlighted the public need for greater access to green spaces, it is therefore an opportune moment to embrace this 'at scale' opportunity to boost recovery.</p>
A15	<p>Status: For Determination</p> <p>Call-in to apply: Yes</p> <p>Open</p>	Harmonisation of Regulatory Services and Licensing Enforcement Policy	<p>RESOLVED that the Regulatory Services and Licensing Enforcement Policy as set out in Appendix 1 be approved.</p> <p>Voting: Unanimous</p> <p>Portfolio Holders: Community Safety</p> <p style="padding-left: 100px;">Environment, Cleansing and Waste</p> <p><u>Reason</u></p> <p>The new Enforcement policy seeks to provide one policy for BCP Council.</p> <p>The new Enforcement policy seeks to comply with the Legislation set out in Section 21 of The Legislative and Regulatory Reform Act 2006 which requires that the Council in its activity for exercising a regulatory function has regard to the principles that regulatory activities should be carried out in a way which is transparent, accountable,</p>

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			<p>proportionate and consistent and that regulatory activities should be targeted only at cases in which action is needed.</p> <p>The Enforcement Policy also provides guidance to officers, businesses, and the public, on the range of options that are available to achieve compliance. It also explains the details about the methods used for achieving compliance and the criteria considered when deciding the most appropriate response to a breach of legislation.</p>
A16	<p>Status: For Determination</p> <p>Call-in to apply: Yes</p> <p>Open</p>	Futures Fund Governance	<p>RESOLVED that the governance arrangements for the futures fund as set out in the report be approved.</p> <p>Voting: Unanimous</p> <p>Portfolio Holder: Leader</p> <p><u>Reason</u></p> <p>Governance arrangements are required to ensure decisions are made transparently and in accordance with the council's priorities.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>ea</u></p>
A18	<p>Status: For Determination</p> <p>Call-in to apply: Yes</p>	Special Educational Needs and Disability Capital Investment – Expansion of Longspee Special School at the Bournemouth Learning Centre	<p>RESOLVED that Cabinet: -</p> <p>(a) approves the further allocation of £750,000 to complete the conversion of the Bournemouth Learning Centre; and</p> <p>(b) requests the Chief Executive to use the urgency powers delegated to him under Part 3.15 of the BCP Council Constitution to approve the combined spend on this project of £1,250,000 in advance of the next available Council meeting, scheduled for 2 June 2021 and that he report this decision to Council at that meeting, in order for the additional school places to be available for eligible children by September 2021.</p> <p>Voting: Unanimous</p> <p>Portfolio Holder: Covid Resilience, Public Health and Education</p>

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			<p><u>Reason</u></p> <p>To enable the completion of the project at the BLC site to create a high quality special school satellite provision for Longspee Special School, meeting local need and reducing pressure on the high needs budget.</p>
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