# **Notice of Cabinet**

Date: Wednesday, 11 November 2020 at 10.00 am

Venue: Teams Meeting



Membership:

**Chairman:** Cllr D Mellor

Vice Chairman: Cllr P Broadhead

Cllr M Anderson

Cllr M Greene Cllr N Greene Cllr M Haines Cllr M Iyengar Cllr R Lawton

Cllr K Rampton Cllr M White Lead Members

Cllr H Allen Cllr S Baron Cllr N Brooks Cllr B Dove Cllr B Dunlop

Cllr J Kelly

All Members of the Cabinet are summoned to attend this meeting to consider the items of business set out on the agenda below.

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If you would like any further information on the items to be considered at the meeting please contact: Sarah Culwick (01202 795273) or email democratic.services@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

23 October 2020





## Maintaining and promoting high standards of conduct

#### Declaring interests at meetings

Familiarise yourself with the Councillor Code of Conduct which can be found in Part 6 of the Council's Constitution.

Before the meeting, read the agenda and reports to see if the matters to be discussed at the meeting concern your interests

Do any matters being discussed at the meeting relate to your registered interests?

Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

Yes

Declare the nature of the interest

Do NOT participate in the item at the meeting. Do NOT speak or vote on the item EXCEPT where you hold a dispensation

You are advised to leave the room during the debate Local Interest

Yes

Declare the nature of the interest

Applying the bias and pre-determination tests means you may need to refrain from speaking and voting

You may also need to leave the meeting. Please seek advice from the Monitoring Officer No

Do you have a personal interest in the matter?

Yes

No

Consider the bias and predetermination tests

take part in the meeting speak and vote

You can

You may need to refrain from speaking & voting

You may also need to leave the meeting. Please seek advice

What are the principles of bias and pre-determination and how do they affect my participation in the meeting?

Bias and predetermination are common law concepts. If they affect you, your participation in the meeting may call into question the decision arrived at on the item.

#### Bias Test

In all the circumstances, would it lead a fair minded and informed observer to conclude that there was a real possibility or a real danger that the decision maker was biased?

#### Predetermination Test

At the time of making the decision, did the decision maker have a closed mind?

If a councillor appears to be biased or to have predetermined their decision, they must NOT participate in the meeting.

For more information or advice please contact the Monitoring Officer (susan.zeiss@bcpcouncil.gov.uk)

#### Selflessness

Councillors should act solely in terms of the public interest

#### Integrity

Councillors must avoid placing themselves under any obligation to people or organisations that might try inappropriately to influence them in their work. They should not act or take decisions in order to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves, their family, or their friends. They must declare and resolve any interests and relationships

# Objectivity

Councillors must act and take decisions impartially, fairly and on merit, using the best evidence and without discrimination or bias

#### Accountability

Councillors are accountable to the public for their decisions and actions and must submit themselves to the scrutiny necessary to ensure this

#### Openness

Councillors should act and take decisions in an open and transparent manner. Information should not be withheld from the public unless there are clear and lawful reasons for so doing

#### Honesty & Integrity

Councillors should act with honesty and integrity and should not place themselves in situations where their honesty and integrity may be questioned

#### Leadership

Councillors should exhibit these principles in their own behaviour. They should actively promote and robustly support the principles and be willing to challenge poor behaviour wherever it occurs

# **AGENDA**

Items to be considered while the meeting is open to the public

### 1. Apologies

To receive any apologies for absence from Councillors.

#### 2. Declarations of Interests

Councillors are requested to declare any interests on items included in this agenda. Please refer to the workflow on the preceding page for guidance.

Declarations received will be reported at the meeting.

#### 3. Confirmation of Minutes

To confirm and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Meeting held on 30 September 2020.

#### 4. Public Issues

To receive any public questions, statements or petitions submitted in accordance with the Constitution, which is available to view at the following link:

https://democracy.bcpcouncil.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CommitteeID=15 1&Info=1&bcr=1

The deadline for the submission of a public question is 4 clear working days before the meeting.

The deadline for the submission of a public statement is midday the working day before the meeting.

The deadline for the submission of a petition is 10 working days before the meeting.

#### 5. Recommendations from the Overview and Scrutiny Board

To consider recommendations from the Overview and Scrutiny Board on items not otherwise included on the Cabinet Agenda.

#### 6. Western Gateway Rail Strategy

The Western Gateway Rail Strategy is an area wide rail strategy which outlines how rail will help deliver the overall vision and objectives for transport in the Western Gateway area.

#### 7. Recladding of Sterte Court blocks - HRA

This report brings forward the recommendation of the award of a contract modification to the current contract with United Living in order to progress the timely removal and replacement of the cladding system at Sterte Court.

The work will deliver the removal of the current cladding system in response to the most recent Fire Risk Assessment. It will address issues

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with poor workmanship and other identified fire safety issues.

The works will replace the current cladding with a new system that is compliant with technical and legal requirements, remove the current fire risks presented by the cladding and remove the need for other ongoing mitigation actions currently in place.

The works will importantly address our local priority to deliver the national fire safety agenda of improving fire safety standards across homes for residents in the BCP area.

[PLEASE NOTE: Should the Cabinet wish to discuss the detail of the exempt Appendix B the meeting will be required to move into Confidential (Exempt) session]

# 8. Housing Allocations Policy

Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole have separate legacy Housing Allocation Policies which require alignment, as per the Statutory Order from Government.

The BCP Housing Allocation Policy seeks to harmonise each policy providing criteria used to consider applications for the BCP Council Housing Register. It sets out the eligibility, qualification and assessment criteria on which different housing circumstances of person will be prioritised.

All nominations to social housing properties managed by BCP Council, Poole Housing Partnership (PHP) and local housing associations will be made in accordance with the policy and administered through a revised BCP HomeChoice scheme.

Implementation for the new policy is proposed for July 2021 when the IT system is fully mobilised in line with the approved policy.

# 9. Lansdowne Programme

The recent change in leadership of the Council has resulted in a review of the Lansdowne Programme by the relevant Portfolio Holders and officers. The outcome, which is supported by consultation responses gathered over the life of the Programme, is that there should continue to be a focus on delivering high quality public realm improvements to Holdenhurst Road, whilst also allowing access to all traffic.

This revised scheme for Phase 1 of the Lansdowne Programme remains focused on the heart of Lansdowne and aims to deliver benefits to the area that help to deliver the long-term vision the Council and other stakeholders have for this part of Bournemouth.

The revised scheme is at preliminary design stage. This design requires approval from Cabinet to enable it to progress quickly towards detailed design and then delivery.

# 10. Executive Pay Levels for Tricuro

Pursuant to the Shareholder Agreement for Tricuro, which is a Local Authority Trading Company wholly-owned by BCP Council and Dorset Council, the Executive Shareholder Group (the "ESG") sets an annual cap on pay. Any remuneration above that cap requires the approval of the

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ESG. Tricuro wishes to appoint a permanent Managing Director and has requested that the remuneration for the Managing Director is approved at up to £120,000 per annum (i.e., in excess of the annual cap on pay set at £100,000).

[PLEASE NOTE: Should the Cabinet wish to discuss the detail of the exempt Appendix 1 (to appendix A) or Appendix B the meeting will be required to move into Confidential (Exempt) session]

# 11. 2020/21 Budget Monitoring & Medium-Term Financial Plan (MTFP) Update

This report includes 2020/21 budget monitoring information as at the end of August 2020 and an updated MTFP.

The projection for the 2020/21 revenue account is a balanced position after Covid-19 pressures, mitigation action and other budget variances are reflected. The pressures due to the pandemic have grown since the June report, partially offset by further government support announced on 2 July. This includes significant funding to replace a proportion of lost sales, fees and charges.

The updated 2020/21 projections for reserve movements, the capital programme and housing revenue account (HRA) are also included.

Financial planning is an iterative process with the latest refresh of the MTFP extended to cover the period 2021/22 to 2023/24 included in the report. The plan is based on the most recent information available and a set of assumptions that will need to be refined through the autumn. The current plan is showing a funding gap to close for next year of £13.4 million with the financial strategy setting out the process that the council will now adopt to be able to set a balanced and lawful budget for 2021/22.

# 12. Adult Skills & Learning relocation

The Adult Skills and Learning service currently use the Oakdale Learning Centre as a base for the western side of the BCP Council area. This building is life expired and replacement has been a long-held ambition for the Borough of Poole.

An options report which includes a mix of housing and a new adult learning hub for the Oakdale site has been developed but is unaffordable at this time. An alternative site for the Adult Learning Service has come forward at the Dolphin Shopping Centre and subject to the relevant planning approval and with excellent public transport routes would be ideally located for the service users.

Housing options for the Oakdale site will be brought forward when developed.

[PLEASE NOTE: Should the Cabinet wish to discuss the detail of the exempt Appendix 1 the meeting will be required to move into Confidential (Exempt) session]

#### 13. Estates and Accommodation Project

The delivery of the council's Estates and Accommodation Strategy will

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enable the organisation to reduce its exposure to a large and inefficient office accommodation estate, whilst at the same time supporting the development of single council identity where staff work in modern and flexible ways, delivering services that are transformed in order to be as customer focused and financially efficient as possible.

The creation of the BCP Council Civic Centre and relocation of the customer service offer to local libraries represents the first phase in the council's Estates and Accommodation Strategy and comprises the necessary investment in the Bournemouth campus and libraries, plus the associated work required to allow for the disposal of the legacy Poole and Christchurch civic offices.

It is proposed to focus on the remodelling of the service accommodation as a priority in order to move the project forward promptly, and to establish a Members Working Group in order to allow for appropriate engagement to take forward the development of Civic space as part of a subsequent phase of the project.

The project budget requested reflects the decision to deliver a more pragmatic and financially sustainable solution to the council's main office requirements that is fit for purpose and appropriate in the context of the significant and ongoing impacts created by the Covid 19 pandemic.

# 14. Adult Social Care Charging Policy

Since the formation of BCP Council on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019, the council has operated under the three legacy Adult Social Care Charging policies for Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole. It is therefore necessary to adopt a new single charging policy in order to operate a fair and equitable approach to adult social care charging. A public consultation was launched on the proposals for the new policy in January 2020 and concluded in March 2020. The results of this consultation have informed the drafting of a new single policy. This new Adult Social Care Charging policy, subject to Cabinet approval will be implemented on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021.

#### 15. Cabinet Forward Plan

To consider the latest version of the Cabinet Forward Plan for approval.

No other items of business can be considered unless the Chairman decides the matter is urgent for reasons that must be specified and recorded in the Minutes.