Notice of Cabinet

Date: Wednesday, 15 December 2021 at 10.00 am

Venue: Committee Suite, Civic Centre, Poole BH15 2RU



Membership:

Chairman: Cllr D Mellor

Vice Chairman: Cllr P Broadhead

Cllr M Anderson Cllr N Greene <u>Lead Members</u>

Cllr B DoveCllr M lyengarCllr H AllenCllr L FearCllr B DunlopCllr K RamptonCllr S BaronCllr J KellyCllr M GreeneCllr M WhiteCllr N BrooksCllr T Johnson

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

The press and public are welcome to view the live stream of this meeting at the following link:

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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 817615) on 01202 096660 or email democratic.services@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

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26 November 2021





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 directly relate to your registered interests?

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Yes

Does the matter directly relate to your financial interest or well-being or those of a relative or close associate?

No.

Yes

Declare the nature of the interest

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Yes

You must disclose 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 may speak on the matter ONLY if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting

Does the matter affect your financial interest or well-being:

- (a) to a greater extent than it affects the financial interests of the majority of inhabitants of the ward affected by the decision and;
- (b) a reasonable member of the public knowing all the facts would believe that it would affect your view of the wider public interest

You must leave the room during the debate unless you hold a dispensation

Otherwise, do NOT speak or vote on the matter and leave the room during the debate unless you hold a dispensation

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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 24 November 2021.

4. Public Issues

To receive any public questions, statements or petitions submitted in accordance with the Constitution. Further information on the requirements for submitting these is available to view at the following link:-

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

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

The deadline for the submission of a 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. Quarter Two Budget Monitoring 2021/22

This report includes 2021/22 budget monitoring information as at the end of September 2021. The projected outturn for the revenue account can be balanced by allocating a further £4.2 million from the Covid pressures grant tranche 5.

The projection for the 2021/22 revenue account is an overspend of £10.2 million within services and the transformation programme. The application of largely one-off central resources can balance this position, including the release into the revenue account of further Covid pressures grant tranche 5, leaving £4.0 million available to support Covid pressures next year. The updated 2021/22 projections for reserve movements, the capital programme and housing revenue account (HRA) are also included.

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This report details the progress made in the development of a robust balanced budget for 2022/23. The report also sets out.

- The latest Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) position.
- An update on the key assumptions being applied to the 2022/23 budget and MTFP process.
- An update of the key financial risks faced by the Council.
- Details of the Government's Spending Review (SR21).

In addition, the report proposes not to change the Local Council Tax Support Scheme (LCTSS) for 2022/23 and therefore the council will continue to operate the same scheme that it has operated since April 2019.

8. Biodiversity Net Gain

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Biodiversity Net Gain is an approach to development and / or land management that aims to leave biodiversity in a measurably better state than before. Biodiversity Net Gain in the development process is now a statutory requirement following Environment Act coming into force in November 2021. The Act proposes to require all development to deliver a mandatory 10% biodiversity net gain to be maintained for at least 30 years.

Further resources and work are required for BCP Council to be ready for the implementation of biodiversity net gain on a much wider scale than at present. This paper advises on the actions envisaged to do this including the need to appoint 2 additional ecology officers to support the planning process once the mandatory net gain requirements are brought into force.

9. Make Ashley Road Safe Petition

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At the Council meeting on 14 September 2021, a petition was presented entitled "Make Ashley Road Safe Petition". The petition stated that "Drug use, drug dealing, theft, fighting, intimidation, abuse and public indecency on Ashley Road has been causing residents, shoppers and shop workers misery over the last few of years."

The petition called for "BCP Council and Dorset Police to take action and end the serious anti-social behaviour issues and illegal activity that residents witness every day on Ashley Road, Poole."

This report sets out the Community Safety Partnerships approach to tackling place based anti-social behaviour and the specific work that has been done in Ashley Road to date

10. School Admissions Arrangements 2023/24 for community and maintained schools

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This report authorises consultation on the admissions arrangements for community and maintained schools for the school year 2023/2024. The only significant change is a proposal to consult on the reduction of the published admission number at Burton Primary School from 60 to 45 from the school year 2023/24 at the request of the governing body.

11. Home to School Transport Policy

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BCP Council is legally required to have a single home to school transport policy. A BCP Council Policy has been drafted to replace the three existing policies. The draft policy has been developed to ensure consistency across the conurbation. It will provide a single point of reference for families and officers regarding eligibility and how it is assessed.

Permission to publicly consult in January-February 2022 is being sought from cabinet. The consultation will be held in accordance with the requirements of the Department for Education's statutory guidance. Key stakeholders will be targeted during the consultation period.

12. Capital expenditure to enable bulge classes at the Avonbourne Schools

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The report proposes that Cabinet approve up to £500,000 capital expenditure to enable the Avonbourne Schools to undertake remodelling so that they can take up to two bulge classes. Pupil place planning projections suggest there may be insufficient places available in the local area in the admissions years 2022 and 2023. Providing for bulge classes would ensure that the council meets its statutory responsibility to provide sufficient school places for all school age children living within the area.

13. Concessionary Fares Bus Operator Reimbursement

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To seek approval to continue to maintain statutory concessionary travel reimbursement payments to local bus service operators at pre-COVID levels in line with government expectations. To note the government's implementation of a concessionary travel recovery strategy at the start of the next financial year (2022/23) which will facilitate Travel Concession Authorities (TCAs) to return to making payments to meet the actual patronage levels.

14. Housing scheme at Herbert Avenue, POOLE.

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The Herbert Ave scheme is also known as site 10 (of 24) that is in the Council New build Housing and Acquisition Strategy (CNHAS) Programme approved by Cabinet on the 29th September 2021.

At that time officers were undertaking a new construction tender process for Herbert Ave and therefore it could not be incorporated within the CNHAS paper.

The decision by the preferred bidder from the original 2019 procurement process, not to execute the agreement offered to them by withdrawing in January 2021 - has determined the need to engage the marketplace again. The results from this new 2021 procurement activity generates the necessity for a revised Cabinet approval in respect of an increase in said construction costs - from that which was approved previously.

This paper therefore brings forward the recommendation for the award of a contract to the new preferred bidder for the delivery of critical works at Herbert Ave.

These works will deliver the construction of 24 new temporary

accommodation units for families, relieving to a significant degree, the existing Bed and Breakfast reliance.

They will be built using Passive House design principles which the planning approval requires, to ensure they provide high levels of thermal efficiency and minimise the need for expensive space heating systems.

The report also provides the background to the market procurement constraints that have previously impacted on the delivery of this development project and presents the evaluation outcome of the recent competitive market procurement exercise for the selection of preferred bidder and award of contract for the construction of the temporary accommodation buildings.

15. Urgent Decisions taken by the Chief Executive in accordance with the Constitution

Verbal Report

The Chief Executive to report on any decisions taken under urgency provisions in accordance with the Constitution.

16. Cabinet Forward Plan

To Follow

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.