# **Notice of Cabinet**

Date: Wednesday, 7 September 2022 at 10.00 am

Venue: Committee Room, First Floor, BCP Civic Centre Annex, St Stephen's

Rd, Bournemouth BH2 6LL



#### Membership:

Chairman: Cllr D Mellor

### Vice Chairman: Cllr P Broadhead

Cllr M Anderson Cllr N Greene
Cllr B Dove Cllr J Kelly
Cllr B Dunlop Cllr K Rampton
Cllr M Greene Cllr M White

e <u>Lead Members</u>
Cllr H Allen Cllr J J Butt
on Cllr S Baron Cllr L Fear
Cllr N Brooks Cllr 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.

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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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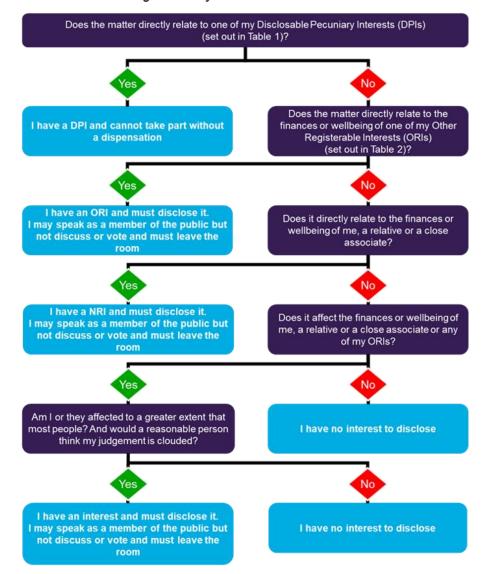


#### Maintaining and promoting high standards of conduct

#### 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



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

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To confirm and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Meeting held on 27 July 2022.

#### 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?CommitteeID=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. Finance Update Includes Quarter One 2022/23 Budget Monitoring Report

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This report provides an update on the council's financial position further to the financial forecasts set out in the end of June 2022 budget monitoring information. The position includes an acknowledgment of the

- a) recent update to the Government's Flexible Use of Capital Receipts statutory guidance.
- b) latest forecast of the impact of the cost-of-living crisis on the council including the impact of the pay award offer made by the National Employers for local government service.

The report also recommends how the Council can ensure that it maintains a balanced budget for the current 2022/23 financial year and prudently positions itself ahead of the requirement to deliver a balanced budget for 2023/24.

# 7. BCP FuturePlaces Ltd - Appointment of Independent Chair and Non-Executive Directors (NEDs)

In May 2021, the Council approved the formation of BCP FuturePlaces Ltd, ("FuturePlaces") a wholly owned Urban Regeneration Company (URC). The fundamental purpose and principles of FuturePlaces is to drive placemaking, regeneration, and property market transformation both across key sites owned by the Council and the wider area to support the aspirations set out in the Council's Big Plan.

The business plan for FuturePlaces sets out the intention to appoint both an independent Chair and further non-executive directors (NEDs) to the company board as part of the company governance structure.

Appointment of directors is a Shareholder reserved matter under the Shareholder's Agreement. This report sets out the process that has been undertaken to identify an independent Chair for the company and makes a recommendation to the Shareholder to appoint Lord Kerslake to that position.

Upon the appointment of the independent Chair, the Deputy Leader of the Council will step down as Chair of the company board.

This report also sets out the intention to appoint two additional independent NEDs to the company board.

Once the additional NEDs have been appointed the Leader will step down from his role as a non-executive Director of the company.

# 8. Wessex Fields Site- University Hospital Dorset Link Road

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On 16 December 2020 Cabinet agreed in principle to dispose of part of the Wessex Fields site to the adjoining landowner University Hospitals Dorset NHS Foundation Trust (UHD) in partnership with Bournemouth University, to deliver their proposal for a strategically relevant development with a focus on medical technology, medical research and education. Cabinet authorised officers to negotiate the heads of terms for the disposal.

A cabinet report dated 10 February 2021 outlined the terms of the disposal in a confidential appendix and highlighted that the purchase price has taken into consideration an obligation on the council to design, fund and build a new link road from the A338 through the Wessex Fields site to join hospital land.

The cost of providing the link road has increased due to construction industry inflation and an enhanced design based on completing more of the consented road scheme therefore the purpose of this report is to seek approval for the additional budget allocation from the Futures Fund.

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

# 9. Council Newbuild Housing and Acquisition Strategy (CNHAS)- One year update

The first CNHAS plan was endorsed at Cabinet in September 2021, approved by full council in November 2021 and reviewed by both in April and May 2022 respectively.

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It has been a significant success to date, in respect of progressing the **direct delivery** of housing at pace and scale. The following provides an update and presents some key decisions to continue momentum.

- 1. The report makes 2 recommendations in respect of budget uplift, firstly for the Princess Road scheme due to predominantly, inflationary increases, external funding is also under threat, the numbers are supported by a detailed cost analysis by Kier Construction who have worked on the project for 5 months. This scheme is mixed tenure including affordable housing, private rent and a family hostel. It generates income for the Council in the medium and longer term and will provide cost avoidance from bed and breakfast provision for the council too. Approval to progress this quarter is sought but other options are presented also.
- 2. The second is in respect of the housing unit profile of the 250 street acquisitions (known as Programme 4a within CNHAS). This has matured since inception to reflect the diverse needs across BCP particularly temporary accommodation types several larger family homes are now needed see item 4.2 below.
- 3. Specific private rented sector (PRS) opportunities have also evolved which are 'income generation ready' and deliver rent this year! These mitigate the extra budget demands of those larger family homes in homeless accommodation and make the additional overall acquisition investment of the better in the long term. Approval of some block purchases both newbuild and remodelled existing buildings to be integrated into programme 4a, is also requested.
- 4. In order to secure Homes England capital grants, we should approve the execution of the AHP 21 26 Grant Agreement (LA)

[PLEASE NOTE: Should the Cabinet wish to discuss the detail of Annex A and its Appendix the meeting will be required to move into Confidential (Exempt) Session].

#### 10. BCP Green Infrastructure Strategy

Green Infrastructure (GI) is the 'network of multi-functional green and blue (see description below) spaces and other natural features, urban and rural, which is capable of delivering a wide range of environmental, economic, health and wellbeing benefits for nature, climate, local and wider communities and prosperity' (National Planning Policy Framework, 2021).

Connecting urban, countryside and coastal areas at a range of scales, our green infrastructure network includes not only parks, playing fields and other public open spaces, but also woodland, heathland and other wildlife habitats, street trees, allotments and private gardens.

In addition, it embraces blue infrastructure assets such as rivers, streams and the sea. In urban areas the network also includes green engineering solutions, such as sustainable drainage systems, green roofs and living walls.

A BCP Green Infrastructure Strategy has been written to highlight the importance of our Green and Blue assets and how they should be prioritised in the future for investment.

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# 11. Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) Implementation

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BCP Council has been successful in having an indicative grant award of £8.9m from the Department for Transport (DfT) to deliver it's Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) over the next 3 years.

The purpose of this paper is to seek Council approval to accept and invest the grant.

# 12. Extension to the Term of Office of the Chair of the Russell-Cotes Art Gallery & Museum Management Committee

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The Russell-Cotes is a charity which is managed by the Russell-Cotes Art Gallery and Museum Management Committee, as the delegated subcommittee of Cabinet. The Committee has a membership of 3 councillors who have voting rights and 4 external appointees and Sir George Meyrick who do not have voting rights.

Largely due to Covid, the renewal of the Committee membership has been subject to delays and the Management Committee is due to lose 3 of its 4 external members by October 2022.

Since 2018, the Management Committee has been exploring how to improve the governance arrangements of the Russell-Cotes to ensure that it can thrive in the long term. It has reached a pivotal moment in this long and complicated process and over the next few months, it is anticipated that very significant decisions will need to be made on whether and how to pursue this direction of travel.

2022 is also the Centenary Year for the Russell-Cotes with increased programming, marketing and activities drawing attention locally, regionally and nationally.

At their meeting on 4 May 2022, the Russell-Cotes Art Gallery & Museum Management Committee agreed to recommend to Cabinet that the Chair be given a further term of office because of these exceptional circumstances, on the basis that no precedent is set for this or any other committee.

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

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

#### 14. Cabinet Forward Plan

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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.