HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES of the meeting of the CABINET held in the Civic Suite 0.1A, Pathfinder House, St Mary's Street, Huntingdon, PE29 3TN on Thursday, 20 June 2019.

PRESENT: Councillor G J Bull – Chairman.

Councillors Mrs M L Beuttell, R Fuller,

J A Gray, J M Palmer and D M Tysoe.

IN ATTENDANCE: Councillors D N Keane and J Neish.

9. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 15th May 2019 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

10. MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Councillor D M Tysoe declared a non-disclosable pecuniary interest in Minute No. 19/14 by virtue of his relationship with an individual residing within the area adjacent to One Leisure St Ives Outdoor Centre.

11. TREASURY MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2018/19

Consideration was given to a report by the Head of Resources (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) outlining the performance of the Treasury Management activity over the 2018/19 financial year.

The Treasury Management Code by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy required the Council to report on the performance of the treasury management function twice a year; the first report being the mid-year review (reported to the Cabinet in November 2018) and the annual report after the financial year end.

In noting the views of the Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Performance and Growth) and having thanked Officers for their work in supporting the Treasury Management Strategy, it was

RESOLVED

that the Treasury Management Annual Report 2018/19 be received and noted.

12. INTEGRATED PERFORMANCE REPORT 2018/19 - QUARTER 4

With the aid of a report by the Business Intelligence and Performance Manager and Finance Manager (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) the Cabinet considered and commented upon the end results for the 2018/19 financial year for the Key Actions and Corporate Indicators listed in the Council's Corporate Plan 2018/22.

The report also incorporated progress on the current projects being undertaken at the Council and financial performance information at the end of March 2019.

The Corporate Director (Services) delivered an update on the position of 3C ICT shared service where it was noted that improvements had been made in some areas. In noting the final outturn position and having considered the comments of the Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Performance and Growth), the Cabinet

RESOLVED

- a) to note the progress made against Key Activities and Corporate Indicators in the Corporate Plan and current projects, as summarised in Appendix A and detailed in Appendices B and C of the report now submitted; and
- b) to note the Council's financial performance at the end of March 2019, as detailed in the Financial Performance Monitoring Suite in Appendix D and the register of reviews of Commercial Investment Strategy propositions as detailed in Appendix E of the report now submitted.

13. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED

that the press and public be excluded from the meeting because the business to be transacted contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

14. ONE LEISURE ST IVES OUTDOOR - REPURPOSING OF SQUASH COURTS INTO A FITNESS FACILITY

Councillor J D Ablewhite, Ward Member for St Ives East, was in attendance for this item.

With the aid of an exempt report by the Head of Leisure and Health (a copy of which is appended in the Annex to the Minute Book) the Cabinet gave consideration to proposals to repurpose the squash courts at One Leisure St Ives Outdoor Centre. The proposals had been drawn up to redress the operational deficit at the Centre.

Executive Members received a detailed introduction by the One Leisure Business and Operations Manager outlining the background to the proposals. Councillor J D Ablewhite, Ward Member for St Ives East, was then permitted to speak.

The Cabinet fully debated the matter and received responses to questions raised. The comments of the Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Customers and Partnerships) and their proposed recommendation were received and noted.

Having been advised of plans to commission a feasibility study for phase 2 of the site project proposals and following a suggestion made by the Executive Councillor for Housing, Planning and Economic Development to facilitate the development and accommodation of the local Squash Club, it was

RESOLVED

- a) that the recommendation as submitted in the exempt report now submitted be approved;
- b) that the feasibility study for phase 2 of the site project proposals be submitted to the Cabinet by the end of December 2019; and
- c) that support be provided by the District Council to facilitate the development and accommodation of the squash club elsewhere in Huntingdonshire.

Chairman