HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Cabinet

Tuesday, 11 February 2025

DECISION SHEET

- **PRESENT:** Councillors L Davenport-Ray, S W Ferguson, J E Harvey, S A Howell, B A Mickelburgh, T D Sanderson (Vice-Chair), S L Taylor and S Wakeford.
- **APOLOGIES:** Councillor S J Conboy.

ITEM NO.	SUBJECT	CONTACT OFFICER
1	FINAL 2025/26 BUDGET AND MEDIUM-TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY (2026/27 TO 2029/30) INCLUDING THE CAPITAL PROGRAMME	
	The Cabinet has recommended to Council the approval of the overall Final Budget 2025/26 and Medium Term Financial Strategy 2026/27 to 2029/30 as outlined in Appendix 1 of the report submitted which includes the Revenue Budget at Section 2 and the Capital Programme at Section 3.	S Jones - (01480) 388214
2	TREASURY MANAGEMENT CAPITAL AND INVESTMENT STRATEGIES	
	The Cabinet has recommended to Council the approval of the Treasury Management, Capital and Investment Strategies (as outlined in Appendices 1, 2 and 3 of the submitted report) and the Minimum Revenue Provision Statement and the Flexible Use of Capital Receipts Strategy (as outlined in Appendices 4 and 5 of the submitted report).	S Jones - (01480) 388214

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3	BUSINESS RATES - DISCRETIONARY RATE RELIEF POLICY		
	The Cabinet has:	Z Warren - (01480) 388461	
	 (a) adopted the Business Rates Discretionary Rate Relief Policy as outlined in Appendix A of the submitted report to be effective from 1 April 2025; and 		
	(b) delegated authority for approval of future changes to the Discretionary Rate Relief Policy, where such changes are the result of Government direction or are minor wording changes, to the Section 151 Officer, in consultation with the Executive Councillor for Resident Services and Corporate Performance.		
4	HYDROTREATED VEGETABLE OIL (HVO) TRIAL		
	The Cabinet has (a) agreed to adopt the use of Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil across the Council's fleet based on the successful trial;	A Rogan - (01480) 388082	
	(b) approved delegated authority to the Corporate Director for Place and Section 151 Officer, in consultation with the Executive Councillor for Finance & Resources and the Executive Councillor for Parks and Countryside, Waste and Street Scene to take operational decisions regarding the implementation and ongoing management of the Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil initiative;		
	 (c) authorised HDC Officers to engage with neighbouring authorities to explore the wider Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil adoption across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough; 		
	(d) endorsed continued collaboration with Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service		
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	and Cambridgeshire Constabulary on Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil usage and other partnership opportunities; and	
	(e) endorsed HDC's engagement with the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority to explore potential funding for Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil implementation and ongoing usage and opportunities for wider Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil adoption among Cambridgeshire partners.	
5	PROCUREMENT OF VEHICLES AND CONTAINERS FOR WEEKLY FOOD WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE	
	The Cabinet has delegated authority to the Corporate Director of Place and Section 151 Officer, in consultation with the Executive Councillor for Parks and Countryside, Waste and Street Scene and Executive Councillor for Finance and Resources, to pursue the procurement of equipment and onward delivery of the separate weekly food waste collections project to meet the Government mandated deadline of April 2026.	A Rogan - (01480) 388082
6	LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME FEBRUARY 2025	
	 The Cabinet has (a) approved the contents of the Local Development Scheme February 2025 with a view to bringing it into immediate effect following the meeting and the call-in period; and (b) delegated further revisions of the Local Development Scheme for this Local Plan Update to the Chief Planning Officer in conjunction with the Executive Councillor for Planning. 	C Kerr - (01480) 387104