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## **HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**Title/Subject Matter:** Call-in: Community Infrastructure Levy Spend Allocation Update

**Meeting/Date:** Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Performance and Growth) – 7th May 2024.

**Executive Portfolio:** Councillor T Sanderson - Executive Councillor for Planning

**Report by:** Elections and Democratic Services Manager

**Wards affected:** All

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### **Executive Summary:**

In accordance with the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules and following publication of the Cabinet's decision relating to the Community Infrastructure Levy Spend Allocation Update, the decision has been called-in by five Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Performance and Growth). The grounds for call-in are set out in paragraph 2.4 of the report.

### **Recommendation(s):**

The Panel is invited to consider how to respond to the call-in of the decision by the Cabinet relating to the Community Infrastructure Levy Spend Allocation Update Report.

## 1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to enable the Panel to give further consideration to the Cabinet's decision on the Community Infrastructure Levy Spend Allocation Update Report which has been called-in.

## 2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Cabinet, at its meeting on 16th April 2024, considered a report by the Chief Planning Officer outlining officer recommendations to approve or decline funding for a range of community projects. A copy of the report is attached at **Appendix B**.

- 2.2 The Cabinet report has been reformatted with each proposal for funding from Strategic CIL for more than £50,000 being contained within its own Appendix. A copy of this report is attached at **Appendix A**.

- 2.3 The Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Performance and Growth) received a report at their meeting on 3rd April 2024 on the proposals and the Panel's comments were conveyed to the Cabinet by way of the report attached at **Appendix C**.

- 2.4 The Cabinet approved the following –

- a) Noted the updates on delivery in relation to the projects previously allocated or in receipt of CIL funding commitments (see Appendix 1);
- b) Agreed officer recommendations at Paragraph 4.2 to **DECLINE** funding for Hilton Pavilion;
- c) Agreed officer recommendations at Paragraph 4.3 to **APPROVE** funding for Sawtry Pavilion;
- d) Agreed officer recommendations at Paragraph 4.4 to **DECLINE** funding for The Guardroom community hub, Bury;
- e) Agreed officer recommendations at Paragraph 4.5 to **DECLINE** funding for St Neots Community Fire Station Modernisation and Extension Project;
- f) Agreed officer recommendations at Paragraph 4.6 to **DECLINE** funding for Sports Provision, Abbey College, Ramsey;
- g) Agreed officer recommendations at Paragraph 4.7 to **DECLINE** funding for Folksworth Multi Use Games Area (MUGA);
- h) Agreed officer recommendations at Paragraph 4.8 to **DECLINE** funding for a new workshop with storage for Warboys New Parish Centre;
- i) Agreed officer recommendations at Paragraph 4.9 to **DECLINE** funding for King George V Pavilion works, Huntingdon;

- j) Agreed officer recommendations at Paragraph 4.10 to **DECLINE** funding for an extension to a footpath in Colne;
- k) Agreed officer recommendations at Paragraph 4.11 to **APPROVE** funding for a Community Centre Extension, Ramsey; and
- l) Agreed officer recommendations at Paragraph 4.12 to **DECLINE** funding for MAGPAS internal re-fit and purchase of an aviation tank.

The draft Minute is attached at **Appendix D**.

2.4 Following publication of the Cabinet's decision, Councillors Cawley, Corney, Gardener, Harvey and Martin called-in the decision on the following grounds –

- To allow for a full discussion on each application contained within the report;
- To filter future issues of repeat updates of this report;
- To allow for a fair hearing of each application contained within the report; and
- To ensure due process is carried out.

2.5 The Panel is, therefore, invited to consider the decision of the Cabinet. The appropriate Executive Councillor, Councillor T Sanderson, has been invited to attend the Panel's meeting.

### **3. CALL-IN**

3.1 Members are reminded of the guidance for call-in as set out in paragraph 15.1 and Appendix B of the Overview and Scrutiny Rules of the Council's Constitution.

3.2 The Panel has two options, which are as follows –

- if, having considered the matter, the Panel is still concerned about the decision, then it may be referred back to the Cabinet for reconsideration, setting out in writing the nature of the concerns. If referred back to Cabinet, they would then be required to reconsider their decision within 10 working days, amending the decision or not, before adopting a final decision; or
- if the Panel decides not to refer the matter back to the Cabinet, the decision shall take effect from the date of the Overview and Scrutiny Panel meeting.

### **4. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 This report has been produced in accordance with the Overview and Scrutiny Rules of the Council's Constitution.

## **5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 There are no direct financial implications arising out of this call-in. However, any delay to implementing the decisions made by the Cabinet or changes to those decisions may have financial implications and delay the CIL funding commitments.

## **6. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDED DECISIONS**

- 6.1 The Panel is invited to consider how to respond to the call-in of the decision of the Cabinet relating to the Community Infrastructure Levy Spend Allocation Update.

## **7. LIST OF APPENDICES INCLUDED**

Appendix A – Reformatted Community Infrastructure Levy Spend Allocation Update and its related appendices.

Appendix B - Report of the Cabinet Community Infrastructure Levy Spend Allocation Update and its related appendices: 19th April 2024

Appendix C – Comments of the Overview and Scrutiny (Performance and Growth) Panel: 3rd April 2024

Appendix D – Draft Minute of Cabinet: 19th April 2024.

## **8. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Council Constitution

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