

CABINET**Tuesday, 17th March, 2020**

Present:-

Councillor P Gilby (Chair)

Councillors Serjeant
 T Gilby
 Holmes

Councillors Sarvent
 D Collins

*Matters dealt with under the Delegation Scheme

**118 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' AND OFFICERS' INTERESTS
RELATING TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

No declarations of interest were received.

119 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Blank, Innes, Ludlow and Mannion-Brunt.

120 UPDATE ON COVID-19 ACTIONS

At the request of the Chair, an urgent item was added to the agenda in order for the Chief Executive to provide an update on the Council's actions in response to the Covid-19 pandemic.

121 MINUTES**RESOLVED –**

That the minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held on 25 February, 2020 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

122 FORWARD PLAN

The Forward Plan for the four month period 1 April to 31 July, 2020 was reported for information.

***RESOLVED –**

That the Forward Plan be noted.

123 MODERN SLAVERY STATEMENT 2020/21

The Assistant Director – Policy and Communications submitted a report recommending for approval Chesterfield Borough Council's Modern Slavery Statement for 2020/21.

The Modern Slavery Act 2015 imposed a duty on organisations which supply goods and/or services from or to the UK and have a global turnover above £36 million to publish a statement on slavery and human trafficking each financial year. Local Authorities currently do not need to comply with this duty, however Chesterfield Borough Council volunteered to develop and implement modern slavery statements from 2018/19 onwards to demonstrate the Council's commitment to, and prevention of, exploitation.

The Modern Slavery Statement was attached at Appendix 1 of the officer's report.

***RESOLVED –**

That the Modern Slavery Statement for 2020/21 be approved.

REASON FOR DECISION

To demonstrate and strengthen our commitment to prevent and reduce the impact of modern slavery.

124 SAFEGUARDING POLICY AND PROCEDURES

The Assistant Director – Policy and Communications submitted a report recommending for approval the Council's updated policy and procedures for the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults.

The Council introduced a Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Policy and associated procedures in 2015 following a safeguarding audit, with the requirement to review the policy every two years. The revised policy, attached at Appendix A to the officer's report, had been updated to

reflect changes in national legislation and guidance, updated partnership policies, Derbyshire districts safeguarding group, audit activity and increased service level safeguarding experience.

***RESOLVED –**

1. That the revised Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Policy and procedures be approved.
2. That the Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing be granted delegated authority to approve essential amendments to the Safeguarding Policy and procedures between the formal review periods.
3. That the Safeguarding Policy, procedures and arrangements be reviewed after three years.

REASON FOR DECISIONS

To effectively safeguard and promote the welfare of children and vulnerable adults within our borough and meet our legislative and partnership responsibilities.

125 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES FEES AND CHARGES 2020/21

The Interim Assistant Director – Commercial Services submitted a report setting out the Council's fees and charges for Environmental Services for 2020/21.

***RESOLVED –**

That the Environmental Services Fees and Charges for 2020/21, as detailed in Appendix A of the officer's report, be approved.

REASON FOR DECISION

To comply with the Council's budget strategy.

126 NORTH DERBYSHIRE ROUGH SLEEPER STRATEGY 2020-2021

The Assistant Director – Housing submitted a report seeking approval for the adoption of the Council's North Derbyshire Rough Sleeper Strategy 2020 – 2021.

In 2018, the Government introduced a national Rough Sleeping Strategy that required authorities to adopt a Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy that included explicit provision for tackling rough sleeping.

The proposed strategy, attached at Appendix 1 of the officer's report, provided for a partnership approach between the Council, other statutory services, the third sector and homeless people. The multi-agenda North Derbyshire Homelessness Forum had given their support for the strategy on 23 January, 2020.

***RESOLVED –**

1. That the North Derbyshire Rough Sleeper Strategy 2020 – 2021 be approved and adopted.
2. That the priority actions for Chesterfield, as set out in paragraph 3.13 of the officer's report, be approved.

REASON FOR DECISIONS

The Strategy provides a framework and direction for the Council, with partners and stakeholders to ensure that it meets its statutory duties in relation to homeless people and people sleeping rough, and that appropriate support and accommodation services are delivered in Chesterfield.

127 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED –

That under Regulation 21(1)(b) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 as they contained information relating to financial and business affairs.

128 OPERATIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT (OSD) BUSINESS PLAN 2020/21

The Interim Assistant Director – Commercial Services and the Acting Chief Finance Officer submitted a report seeking approval for the Operational Services Department (OSD) Business Plan for 2020/21.

Councillor Holmes requested that his abstention be recorded in the minutes.

***RESOLVED –**

That the Operational Services Department (OSD) Business Plan for 2020/21 be approved.

REASON FOR DECISION

To enable the estimated financial position of the Operational Services Division to be included in the Council's Medium Term Forecast.

129 LANDSCAPE AND STREETSCENE SERVICES BUSINESS PLAN 2020/21

The Interim Assistant Director – Commercial Services and the Acting Chief Finance Officer submitted a report seeking approval for the Landscape and Streetscene Services (SpirePride) D.S.O. Business Plan for 2020/21.

Councillor Holmes requested that his abstention be recorded in the minutes.

***RESOLVED –**

That the Landscape and Streetscene Services Business Plan for 2020/21 be approved.

REASON FOR DECISION

To update the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan.

130 BUILDING CLEANING DSO BUSINESS PLAN 2020/21

The Interim Assistant Director – Commercial Services and Acting Chief Finance Officer submitted a report seeking approval for the Building Cleaning D.S.O. Business Plan for 2020/21.

Councillor Holmes requested that his abstention be recorded in the minutes.

***RESOLVED –**

That the Building Cleaning D.S.O. Business Plan for 2020/21 be approved.

REASON FOR DECISION

To update the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan.

131 SECURITY SERVICES BUSINESS PLAN 2020/21

The Interim Assistant Director – Commercial Services and Acting Chief Finance Officer submitted a report seeking approval for the Security Services D.S.O. Business Plan for 2020/21.

Councillor Holmes requested that his abstention be recorded in the minutes.

***RESOLVED –**

That the Security Services D.S.O. Business Plan for 2020/21 be approved.

REASON FOR DECISION

To enable the estimated financial position of the Security Services D.S.O. to be included in the Council's Medium Term Financial plan.

132 SNOOKER COMPETITION AT THE WINDING WHEEL THEATRE

The Arts and Venues Manager submitted a report seeking approval to enter into a contract with ROKIT Events Ltd to stage a World Seniors Snooker Competition at the Winding Wheel Theatre. The competition would be held over one weekend during the Seniors season, from September 2020 to August 2021.

The event would support the local economy by attracting visitors to the town and promote Chesterfield to a wider audience through TV and press coverage. The Arts and Venues marketing team would also work with local snooker clubs, social clubs, schools and care homes to ensure they benefitted from staging the competition.

***RESOLVED –**

1. That the Council contracts ROKIT Events Ltd to stage a World Seniors Snooker Competition at the Winding Wheel Theatre during the 2020/21 season.
2. That any financial deficit arising from staging the competition in Chesterfield be funded from the Enterprise Zone Business Rates Reserve.
3. That the Arts and Venues Manager be granted delegated authority to make all the necessary arrangements to stage the competition at the Winding Wheel Theatre as required.

REASON FOR DECISIONS

To make further progress towards making Chesterfield Borough a great place to live, work and visit.

133 LOAN TO STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL

The Chief Executive and the Acting Chief Finance Officer submitted a report seeking approval for a loan to Staveley Town Council. The loan would enable the Town Council to continue to meet its basic running costs whilst implementing a programme of transformation measures to reduce revenue costs.

***RESOLVED –**

That the request for a loan to Staveley Town Council, as set out in section 4 of the officer's report, be approved.

REASON FOR DECISION

To allow a decision regarding the request for financial assistance.