

**CABINET****Tuesday, 20th October, 2020**

Present:-

Councillor P Gilby (Chair)

Councillors Serjeant  
Blank  
Ludlow  
Holmes

Councillors

J Innes  
Mannion-Brunt  
Sarvent  
D Collins

Non Voting P Innes  
Members

\*Matters dealt with under the Delegation Scheme

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

No declarations of interest were received.

182 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

No apologies for absence were received.

183 **MINUTES**

**RESOLVED –**

That the minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held on 29 September, 2020 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

184 **FORWARD PLAN**

The Forward Plan for the four month period 1 November, 2020 to 28 February, 2021 was reported for information.

**\*RESOLVED –**

That the Forward Plan be noted.

**185**     **DELEGATION REPORT**

Decisions taken by Cabinet Members during September and October were reported.

**\*RESOLVED –**

That the Delegation Report be noted.

**186**     **COUNCIL PLAN - DELIVERY PLAN 2020/21 HALF YEAR PERFORMANCE REPORT**

The Assistant Director for Policy and Communications presented a report detailing the progress on the Council Plan Delivery Plan 2020-21 during quarters one and two.

It was acknowledged that the COVID-19 pandemic had brought significant challenges which in turn had an impact on the authority's ability to deliver the Council Plan.

The significant achievements were noted, as were projects that had strengthened the Council's resilience and ability to respond in a flexible and agile way to the pandemic.

All members of staff at the Council were commended for their hard work which had enabled the achievement of these milestones.

**\*RESOLVED –**

1. That members note the significant achievements that have been made against the priority areas set out within the Council Plan Delivery Plan and thank staff for their efforts and contributions in achieving this outcome during the Covid-19 pandemic.
2. That Corporate Management Team lead officers for all amber rated milestones meet with relevant key officers to develop improvement plans to support progress in quarters 3 and 4.

3. That the milestones rated as red are re-assessed in light of the impact of Covid-19 on delivery and resource reprioritisation and considered for inclusion in the 2021/22 Council Plan Delivery Plan.

## **REASON FOR DECISIONS**

To progress delivery of the Council Plan Delivery Plan for 2020/21 and maximise positive outputs and outcomes for our communities.

### **187 PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE - PLANNING WHITE PAPER RESPONSE**

The Strategic Planning and Key Sites Manager submitted a report to advise members on the government's consultation on changes to the planning system and sought authorisation to make any changes as necessary in consultation with the Assistant Director for Economic Development and the Cabinet Member for Economic Growth.

The White Paper proposed an extensive review of the Planning System with a clear emphasis on plan making rather than decision taking. The Council's response to the consultation was comprehensive would be submitted by the required deadline.

#### **\*RESOLVED –**

1. That the response set out in appendix A of the officer's report be agreed as the Council's response to the Government White Paper 'Planning for the Future'.
2. That the Strategic Planning and Key Sites Manager, in consultation with the Assistant Director for Economic Growth and the Cabinet Member for Economic Growth, be authorised to make such changes and additions to the response as are necessary to ensure a comprehensive response to the consultation.
3. That the Council's Strategic Planning and Key Sites Manager be authorised to submit the Council's response electronically before 11:45pm on 29 October, 2020.

## **REASON FOR DECISIONS**

To respond to the consultation within the required timescale.