

CABINET**Tuesday, 16th March, 2021**

Present:-

Councillor P Gilby (Chair)

Councillors Serjeant
Blank
Ludlow
Holmes

Councillors

J Innes
Mannion-Brunt
Sarvent
D CollinsNon Voting P Innes
Members

*Matters dealt with under the Delegation Scheme

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

No declarations of interest were received.

67 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received.

68 MINUTES**RESOLVED –**

That the minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held on 23 February, 2021 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

69 FORWARD PLAN

The Forward Plan for the four month period 1 April to 31 August, 2021 was reported for information.

***RESOLVED –**

That the Forward Plan be noted.

70 **ARMED FORCES COVENANT PROGRESS AND ANNUAL ACTION PLAN**

The Service Director – Corporate submitted a report describing the progress made in implementing the Armed Forces Covenant Action Plan for 2019 – 2023 and recommending for approval further actions for implementation from April 2021.

The Armed Forces Covenant Action Plan for 2019 – 2023 underpinned the council's commitment to continue to work collaboratively with Derbyshire County Council and all Derbyshire districts in support of the Derbyshire Armed Forces Covenant, which was first signed in April 2012 and revised in 2019.

The revised Armed Forces Covenant Action Plan for 2019 – 2023 was attached at Appendix 1 of the officer's report.

***RESOLVED –**

1. That the progress made against the Chesterfield Borough Council Armed Forces Action Plan be noted.
2. That the updated Chesterfield Borough Council Armed Forces Action Plan be approved.

REASON FOR DECISIONS

To demonstrate and reaffirm Chesterfield Borough Council's commitment and support to the armed forces community.

71 **MODERN SLAVERY STATEMENT 2021/22**

The Service Director – Corporate submitted a report recommending for approval the Chesterfield Borough Council Modern Slavery Statement for 2021/22.

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 had volunteered to develop and implement an annual modern slavery statement from 2018/19 to demonstrate the Council's commitment to the prevention of human trafficking and exploitation.

The Government had indicated that they would like to strengthen current Modern Slavery legislation which was likely to impact on the future development of Modern Slavery Statements. These changes would require new legislation and as yet there had been no indication of when the changes would be made.

The council's Modern Slavery Statement for 2021/22 was attached at Appendix 1 of the officer's report.

***RESOLVED –**

That the Chesterfield Borough Council modern slavery statement for 2021/22 be approved.

REASON FOR DECISIONS

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

72 TENANCY POLICY

The Service Director – Housing presented a report recommending the Housing Services Tenancy Policy for approval.

In October 2020 Full Council had approved the adoption of a revised Tenancy Strategy. Following the adoption of the revised Tenancy Strategy, the Council needed to produce an updated Tenancy Policy which reflected the revised Tenancy Strategy.

The updated Tenancy Policy set out the council's approach to tenancy management, tenancy sustainment and described the nature and types of tenancy offered.

The updated Housing Services Tenancy Policy was attached at Appendix 1 of the officer's report.

***RESOLVED –**

That the Housing Services Tenancy Policy be adopted and approved for implementation.

REASON FOR DECISIONS

To ensure that the council's tenants are clear about the policy approach that will be taken with regards to tenancy management, tenancy sustainment and the nature and types of tenancy which the council will offer.