

Cabinet Thursday 10 February 2022

This is a summary of decisions and not the formal minutes of the Cabinet. It is intended to give early notice of the decisions taken.

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- **1. Apologies for Absence –** These will be detailed in the minutes.
- **2. Declarations of Interest** These will be detailed in the minutes.
- **3. Minutes** The minutes of the 9 December 2021 meeting were approved.

Part 1

(Items upon which a decision by Council is required)

4. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council 2022/23

It was recommended that Councillor Nicholls be appointed Chair of the Council, and Councillor Syson be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Council for the municipal year 2022/23.

(This will form a recommendation to Council on 11 May 2022)

5. Review of Warwick District Council Members' Allowances Scheme - 2021

The recommendations in the report were approved.

(This will form a recommendation to Council on 23 February 2022)

6. General Fund 2022/23 Budgets and Council Tax

The recommendations in the report were approved, subject to revisions included in the confidential addendum and the addition of the following recommendations:

- That a grant of £25,000 be made to the Hill Close Gardens Trust from the Community Projects Reserve subject to the business case being brought to a future Cabinet for approval and to consider a further tranche of grant funding; and
- 2. That the sum of £20,000 be made available in 22/23 from the Community Projects Reserve to support and facilitate the celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee the protocol for agreeing the use of this sum to be delegated to the Head of Place and Economy in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Place and Economy.

(This will form a recommendation to Council on 23 February 2022)

7. Housing Revenue Account Rent Setting and Budget 2022/23

The recommendations in the report were approved.

(This will form a recommendation to Council on 23 February 2022)

Part 2

(Items upon which a decision by Council is not required)

8. St Mary's Lands

The recommendations in the report were approved, subject to the addition of the following recommendations:

- (1) That the ecologist's report commissioned by the Council, the comments of the Friends of St Mary's Lands (FoSML) and those of other groups (Appendices 2,3,3a and 4) be noted;
- (2) That Cabinet agree to continue the protection measures as set out in Plan 1 to be implemented (i.e., the same as last year) and be continued for a further 2 years but are then subject to a full evaluation and review;
- (3) That authority be delegated to the Chief Executive and the Leisure, Culture and Tourism Portfolio Holder to agree the revised terms of reference for the St Mary's Lands Working Party attached at Appendix 5 subject to a prior meeting of the working party;
- (4) That a detailed report be brought to the Cabinet regarding the position where in a Working Party's or Partnership's agreed terms of reference, all organisations participating or working with the Council on projects or partnerships, for example, such as the St Mary's Lands Working Party (SMLWP) are asked to disclose their governance arrangements to ensure that they are open and transparent, and that non-disclosure of such arrangements will mean that such groups may therefore be excluded from participation; and
- (5) That Cabinet ask that a further report on how the SMLWP engages with the wider community be brought forward for consideration

9. Net Zero Carbon Development Plan Document

The recommendations in the report were approved.

10. Rural and Urban Initiative Scheme (RUCIS)

The recommendations in the report were approved.

(Recommendation (1) is a request to Council on 23 February to update the Constitution with a revised delegation)

11. Deaccession of Human Skeletal Remains (Leamington Spa Art Gallery and Museum)

The recommendations in the report were approved.

12. Housing Decant Policy

The recommendations in the report were approved.

(Recommendation (2 and 3) are a request to Council on 23 February to update the Constitution with a revised delegation)

13. Decarbonisation of Council Assets

The recommendations in the report were approved, along with the following recommendations from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

- (1) Standards set out by the Government for de-carbonisation and retrofitting and those the Council would apply, should be included within the report.
- (2) The Climate Emergency PAB, within the terms of its remit, be involved more in developing some of the schemes outlined in the report.
- (3) A schedule/plan showing when stages of the process would be implemented, and the expected impact as a result should be produced.

14. Public and Press - The press and public were excluded.

Part 2

(Items upon which a decision by Council is not required)

15. Minutes

The confidential minutes from the meeting held on 9 December 2021 were approved.