

STAFFORDSHIRE MOORLANDS DISTRICT COUNCIL

CABINET DECISIONS

TUESDAY, 28 NOVEMBER 2023

PRESENT: Councillor M Gledhill (Chair)

Councillors C Atkins, B Cawley, D Price, D Proudlove,
M Swindlehurst, C Wood and N Yates

IN ATTENDANCE: Councillors K Hoptroff, L Malyon, I Plant and L Swindlehurst

29 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (PREVIOUSLY CIRCULATED)**

DECISION:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 3 October 2023 be approved as a correct record.

30 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST, IF ANY**

There were no declarations made.

31 **FORWARD PLAN**

DECISION:

That the Forward Plan be approved for publication.

32 **CULTURAL STRATEGY**

The Cultural Strategy report was considered by the Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel on 22 November 2023. The report would be revised taking into account the feedback received and issued in due course to a future Cabinet meeting or via a Cabinet Delegated Decision.

33 **EFFICIENCY PROGRAMME 2023/24 TO 2026/27**

This report presented the Council's Efficiency Programme for the period of the current Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) 2023/4 to 2026/7. It was reported that the Council had a robust approach to project management in place to ensure that initiatives were completed as required.

Options considered:

There were no options to consider at this stage. Options were being developed and would to be refined to close the financial deficits highlighted in the updated plan.

DECISION:

That the the updated Efficiency Programme be approved.

34 **UKSPF DELIVERY AND PROCUREMENT UPDATE**

The report sought delegated approval for the awarding of contracts procured through the Shared Prosperity Fund (SPF).

Options considered:

The alternative option was the continuation of normal procurement and approval procedures by way of an Individual Executive Decision or Executive Report for each individual contract. This was likely to result in delays in contract award and consequently underspend of SPF grant.

DECISION:

That delegated authority be granted to Executive Director (Place) in consultation with the Leader to make the contract award decisions for contracts which exceed the Council's Procurement Procedure Rules thresholds for requiring a delegated decision for award of contracts.

35 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

RESOLVED:

That, pursuant to Section 100A(2) and (4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings whereby it is likely that confidential information as defined in Section 100A (3) of the Act would be disclosed to the public in breach of the obligation of confidence or exempt information as defined in Section 100 I (1) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act would be disclosed to the public by virtue of the Paragraphs indicated.

36 **LEISURE TRANSFORMATION PLAN UPDATE**

The Cabinet approved a report that provided a progress update on Leisure Transformation Plan projects at Biddulph Valley, Brough Park and South Moorlands Leisure Centres and work to progress the preferred future management arrangement for Leisure Services.

The meeting closed at 1.43 pm

Chairman