



COTSWOLD
DISTRICT COUNCIL

Thursday, 23 June 2022

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CABINET

A meeting of the Cabinet will be held at Council Chamber - Trinity Road on **Monday, 4 July 2022 at 6.00 pm.**

Rob Weaver
Chief Executive

To: Members of the Cabinet
(Councillors Rachel Coxcoon, Tony Dale, Andrew Doherty, Mike Evemy, Jenny Forde, Joe Harris, Juliet Layton and Lisa Spivey)

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AGENDA

1. **Apologies**
2. **Declarations of Interest**
To receive any declarations of interest from Members and Officers, relating to items to be considered at the meeting.
3. **Minutes (Pages 5 - 8)**
To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 6th June 2022
4. **Chair's Announcements (if any)**
5. **Public Questions**
To deal with questions from the public within the open forum question and answer session of fifteen minutes in total. Questions from each member of the public should be no longer than two minutes each and relate issues under the Committee's remit.
6. **Member Questions**
To deal with written questions by Members, relating to issues under the Committee's remit, with the maximum length of oral supplementary questions at Committee being no longer than one minute. Responses to any supplementary questions will be dealt with in writing if they cannot be dealt with at the meeting.
7. **Old Station - interim update and request for funding (Pages 9 - 12)**
Purpose
To seek agreement
 1. to fund the production of design options and preparation of a business case for consideration by Cabinet in October 2022;
 2. to use the Old Station as a case study in the Historic England project to develop a climate risk mitigation framework.
Recommendation(s)
That Cabinet agrees:-
 - a) to allocate funding of up to £16,500 from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund for the development of design options and preparation of a business case on the Old Station Building and the Old Memorial Hospital Cottages for consideration by Cabinet in October 2022;
 - b) to support participation in the Historic England project to be a case study for creating a climate risk framework.
8. **Green Economic Growth Strategy Update - Six Monthly Update (Pages 13 - 20)**
Purpose
To update Cabinet Members on the progress in delivering the Council's Green Economic Growth Strategy

Recommendation(s)
That progress in delivering the Green Economic Growth Strategy is noted.
9. **Submission of Investment Plan for UK Shared Prosperity Funding (Pages 21 - 30)**

Purpose

To seek agreement to the Year 1 projects and Year 2 & 3 key areas of focus which will be included in the Council's Local Investment Plan for the UK Shared Prosperity Fund and to agree delegations to enable sign off of the final plan before submission and progression with projects requiring expenditure in 2022/23.

Recommendation(s)

That Cabinet agrees:

- (a) to support the inclusion of the projects, interventions and indicative allocations listed in this report in the Council's Local Investment Plan for the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.
- (b) to delegate authority for the final decision on the evaluation of projects and interventions to be included and approval of the Local Investment Plan submission to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Leader and Cabinet Member for Economy and Council Transformation.
- (c) to agree a variation and pay Publica the £20,000 revenue allocation from the UKSPF for the Local Investment Plan preparation, the application of which is to be approved by the Chief Finance Officer in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Economy and Council Transformation.
- (d) to agree that 4% of the fund is used for administration of the Programme, with the total sum of £40,000 over the life of the project being paid to Publica to employ a shared UK SPF Programme Manager, to monitor and manage project progress and undertake the required reporting.
- (e) to delegate authority for the award of contracts to consultants/contractors to deliver projects for delivery in 2022/23 to the Group Manager - Property and Regeneration in consultation with the Chief Finance Officer and the Cabinet Member for Economy and Council Transformation.

10. **Financial, Council Priority and Service Performance Report - 2021/22 - Quarter Four** (Pages 31 - 124)

Purpose

To provide an update on progress on the Council's priorities and service performance
To provide information on the Council's financial position

Recommendation(s)

- a) That Cabinet reviews overall progress on the Council priorities, service delivery and financial performance for 2021-22 Q4.
- b) To approve the transfer of £90,000 from the New Burdens Fund Reserve to the Council's Priorities Fund as set out in paragraph 4.41 of this report and to note the other movements in earmarked reserves set out in paragraph 4.43 of this report.

11. **Local Plan Update Gloucestershire Statement of Common Ground and Planning Reforms** (Pages 125 - 304)

Purpose

- Note feedback report on the recent Local Plan consultation;
- Note planning reforms and expected consultations later this year;
- Approve the Gloucestershire Statement of Common Ground; and
- Note progress on the Local Plan and related projects to date.

Recommendation(s)

That Cabinet:

- a) notes findings from the Local Plan Issues and Options consultation set out in ANNEX A;

- b) notes proposed changes in the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill as summarised in ANNEX B;
- c) approves the Draft Statement of Common Ground set out in ANNEX C;
- d) notes Local Plan milestones presented at ANNEX D; and
- e) notes Cirencester Projects update at ANNEX E.

12. **Legal Services Commissioning Review (Pages 305 - 426)**

Purpose

To report the outcome of a commissioning review of the Council's legal service.

Recommendation(s)

- a) To consider the evaluation of the proposals from Your Legal Services and One Legal;
- b) To consider the Deputy Chief Executive's proposal that the Council's legal service continues to be provided by Your Legal Service
- c) To support a review of the service for economy, efficiency and effectiveness; and
- d) To support the formalisation of the shared service under a Collaboration Agreement and Section 101 agreements.

13. **Schedule of Decisions taken by the Leader of the Council and/or Individual Cabinet Members (Pages 427 - 428)**

Purpose

To note the decisions of the Leader of the Council and/or Individual Cabinet Members.

14. **Issue(s) Arising from Overview and Scrutiny and/or Audit**

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