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3. Minutes

The purpose of this item was to consider the minutes of the meeting of Cabinet on 3 April 2025.

There were no amendments to the minutes.

The approval of the minutes was proposed by Councillor Joe Harris, Leader of the Cabinet and seconded by Councillor Mike Evemy, Deputy Leader and Member for Finance and Transformation. This proposal was put to the vote and agreed by Cabinet.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held on 3 April 2025 be approved as a correct record.

Voting Record:

6 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstentions

9. Rural England Prosperity Fund 2025/26 (REPF) Update

The purpose of the report was to update Cabinet on award of Rural England Prosperity Funding for 2025/26, to seek approval for the approach to delivery of REPF projects in 2025/26 and to agree the necessary delegations.

Councillor Tristan Wilkinson, Cabinet Member for Economy and Environment, introduced the item.

The recommendations were proposed by Councillor Tristan Wilkinson and seconded by Councillor Mike Evemy.

RESOLVED that Cabinet recommend to Council to

1. Amend the capital programme for 2025/26 to include the Rural England Prosperity Fund (REPF) scheme capital budget of £229,240, which is fully funded from the 2025/26 REPF grant allocation.
2. Approve the provisional allocations as set out in para 3.1.



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3. Delegate authority to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Economy and Environment and the Council's Section 151 Officer to allocate the funding, having regard to the recommendations of the REPF Assessment Panel.

Voting Record:

6 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstain.

10. Cotswold District Council Renewable Energy Study January 2025

The purpose of the report was to present the Cotswold District Renewable Energy Study and to provide evidence-based advice to inform decisions on renewable energy deployment and achieving net zero, while also supporting the Local Plan Update. Cabinet endorsement was sought to use the study as an evidence base for Council policies going forward.

The report was introduced by the Principal Planning Policy Officer in the absence of Councillor Mike McKeown, Cabinet Member for Climate Change and Sustainability.

The recommendations were proposed by Councillor Joe Harris and seconded by Councillor Tristan Wilkinson

Cabinet RESOLVED to endorse the Renewable Energy Study for use as:

- part of the evidence base for the review of the Local Plan;
- part of the evidence base for future Council policies and procedures in regard to responding to the Climate and Ecological Emergencies.

Voting record:

6 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstain.

11. Endorsement of the Cotswolds National Landscape (CNL) Management Plan 2025-2030

The purpose of the report was to seek Cabinet's endorsement of the Cotswolds National Landscape (Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty - AONB) Management Plan 2025 – 2030 and seek endorsement of its use as part of the evidence base for the preparation and implementation of relevant Council strategies, policies and projects including but not limited to the Local Plan and Neighbourhood Plans.

Councillor Juliet Layton and Councillor Paul Hodgkinson declared an interest as they serve on the board of the CNL. Both Councillors left the Chamber for the debate.



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The report was proposed by Councillor Joe Harris and seconded by Councillor Claire Bloomer.

Cabinet RESOLVED to endorse the recommendation of the report that the Cotswolds National Landscape Management Plan 2023-2025 be used as

- part of the evidence base for the review of the Local Plan;
- part of the evidence base for the preparation of Neighbourhood Development Plans;
- part of the evidence base for the preparation and implementation of relevant Council strategies, policies and projects;
- as a material consideration in the determination of planning applications (where compatible with relevant Local Plan and national policy); and
- to inform the development and delivery of the Council's services and activities.

Voting Record
4 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstain.

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