

## **HAVANT BOROUGH COUNCIL**

At a meeting of the Cabinet held on 7 April 2021

Present

Councillor Wilson (Chairman)

Councillors Inkster, Bains, Bowerman, Rennie, Turner, Hughes and Thain-Smith

### **34 Apologies for Absence**

There were no apologies for absence.

### **35 Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 10 February 2021 were confirmed as an accurate record.

### **36 Declarations of Interests**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **37 Chairman's Report**

The Leader provided an update on the claim brought by the Association of Democratic Services Officers, Lawyers in Local Government and Hertfordshire County Council to allow for the continuation of local authority remote meetings beyond the 6th May 2021. This had been scheduled to be heard by the High Court on 21 April 2021. HBC was making plans to accommodate physical meetings in a covid secure manner, should the claim not be successful.

The Leader also updated on the status of the Freeport, the expression of interest of which had been successful. The detailed business plan for submission to government for approval was being compiled. The Freeport had huge economic potential for the Solent region and the inclusion of Dunsbury Park had the potential to provide training and high skilled jobs for the Borough, as well as tax breaks for participating businesses.

**38 Cabinet Lead Delegated Decisions, Minutes from Meetings etc.**

RESOLVED that the following minutes be NOTED:

- (1) Minutes of the meeting of the Portchester Crematorium Joint Management Committee held on 22 March 2021.

RESOLVED that the following decisions taken under the Scheme of Delegations be NOTED:

- (1) 04.03.21 - Hayling Seafront Pay & Display Parking
- (2) 04.03.21 - Extension for three years of existing Public Space Protection Order (Dogs)
- (3) 04.03.21 - Extension for three years of the existing Public Space Protection Order Waterloo Precinct (Feeding Pigeons) under the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014

In respect of the Hayling Seafront Pay & Display Parking decision, Cllr Bains, as the relevant Cabinet Lead, explained that following public consultation the decision in respect of charging at the Sinah Gun Site would be reviewed, as it was not her intention to implement these charges. This would be the subject of a further decision.

**39 Revised Safeguarding Policy and New Modern Slavery Statement**

Cllr Rennie introduced the report as the relevant Cabinet Lead.

In response to questions, it was confirmed that second tier authority councillors were not required to have a DBS check, as second tier authorities did not have the responsibility for Education.

Cabinet discussed training on Safeguarding for Councillors, to which it was confirmed that this was included within the induction programme.

Proposed by Cllr Rennie and seconded by Cllr Hughes it was RESOLVED that Cabinet adopted the revised Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Policy and new Modern Slavery Statement to ensure the council fulfils its statutory obligations under Section 11 of the Children Act 2004 and Section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015.

**The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 2.27 pm**

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**Chairman**