

## **HAVANT BOROUGH COUNCIL**

At a meeting of the Cabinet held on 13 July 2022

Present

Councillor Rennie (Chairman)

Councillors Bains (Vice-Chairman), Denton, Satchwell, Robinson, Pike and Bowerman

### **12 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies of absence were received from Councillor Lloyd.

### **13 Declarations of Interests**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **14 Minutes**

Proposed by Councillor Satchwell and seconded by Councillor Pike; the minutes of the meeting held on 01 June 2022 were confirmed as an accurate record.

### **15 Chairman's Report**

The Leader thanked Mrs Buckley who had submitted a question to Cabinet on behalf of the Havant Borough Residents' Alliance. Mrs Buckley was unable to attend Cabinet in person and therefore the Leader confirmed that a written response would be provided in this instance, a copy of which to be published with the minutes of this meeting.

The Leader raised awareness of the 27<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Srebrenica Genocide and asked those present to take a moment of reflection to remember those who were lost and for those who are currently fighting in the Ukraine.

### **16 Cabinet Lead Delegated Decisions, Minutes from Meetings etc.**

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

- (1) Proposed TRO for Swanmore Road
- (2) Proposed TRO in Mill Road
- (3) Proposed TRO for Belmont Grove
- (4) Proposed Developer TRO Prince Georges Street
- (5) Proposed TRO for Hazelholt Drive / Priorsdean Crescent

RESOLVED that the following minutes be NOTED:

- (1) Minutes of the meeting of the Portchester Crematorium Joint Management Committee held on 27 June 2022.

## **17 Recommendations from the Scrutiny Committee**

There was one matter submitted from the Overview & Scrutiny Committee arising from their meeting of 12 April 2022, in relation to the Climate and Environment Action Plan.

The Leader proposed to deal with the committee's findings in relation to their work on the Climate and Environment Action Plan as part of the substantive item, Item 9 of the agenda.

## **18 Business Rates - Freeport - Discretionary Rate Relief Scheme**

Councillor Denton introduced the report as the relevant Cabinet Lead and proposed the recommendations.

Seconded by Councillor Bowerman, following debate, it was RESOLVED that Cabinet approved the introduction of the Freeport Discretionary Rate Relief Scheme.

## **19 Corporate Complaints Policy**

Councillor Denton introduced the report as the relevant Cabinet Lead and proposed the recommendations.

Seconded by Councillor Bains, following debate, it was RESOLVED that Cabinet approved the submitted updated Corporate Complaints Policy – which now includes a section on vexatious complaints.

## **20 Climate Change and Environment Governance and Action Priorities for 2022-2023**

The Leader introduced the report on behalf of Councillor Lloyd, who was absent for this meeting. In his introduction he thanked Councillor Thain-Smith and Councillor Bowerman for their work on shaping and steering the Climate Change & Environment Strategy and the Climate Action Plan.

The Leader referred Cabinet to the report of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee on the Climate Change & Environment Action Plan which recommends that “where possible, the action plan be amended to include more tangible targets for individual targets with a simplified numbering system of these targets”.

The Leader thanked the Overview & Scrutiny Committee for their work in this regard and noted the recommendation from the Committee. The Leader further suggested that the recommendation be looked at by the Climate Change and

Environment Panel and does not form an amendment to the substantive motion.

Proposed by Councillor Rennie, seconded by Councillor Bowerman, following debate, it was RESOLVED that Cabinet:

- a. noted the governance structure and Terms of Reference for the Climate Change and Environment Panel (CCEP) as set out in the submitted report and Appendix 1 of the report, which were previously approved by the Leader and Cabinet in December 2021 and
- b. endorsed The Havant Borough Climate Change and Environment initial Priorities for 2022 -2023 CCEP recommended by the Climate Change & Environment Panel as set out in the submitted report.

## **21 Housing Services Review Panel**

Councillor Robinson introduced this item as the relevant Cabinet Lead and proposed the recommendations.

Seconded by Councillor Bowerman, following debate, it was RESOLVED that Cabinet:

- a. Establish a Housing Services Review Panel as a working group of Cabinet
- b. To receive a report from the Housing Services Review Panel within the next 3 months on the outcome of their service review

## **22 Tackling Housing Pressures: Housing Development Strategy**

Councillor Robinson introduced the item as the relevant Cabinet Lead and proposed the recommendations.

Seconded by Councillor Rennie, following debate, it was RESOLVED that Cabinet:

- a. Approved the Housing Development Strategy at Appendix A supporting the direct intervention by the Council into the housing market, and subject to the approval of 'a', noted that
- b. A funding strategy in support of the housing development strategy at Appendix A will be presented to the next meeting of Cabinet
- c. An action plan and a recommendation for creation of a housing development company will also be presented to Cabinet for approval to its next meeting.

**The meeting commenced at 5.30 pm and concluded at 6.45 pm**

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**Chairman**