

GATESHEAD METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET MEETING

Tuesday, 21 May 2019

PRESENT: Councillor M Gannon

Councillors: C Donovan, J Adams, M Brain, A Douglas, L Green, G Haley,
J McElroy and M McNestry

C1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor M Foy.

C2 MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting of the Cabinet held on 24 April 2019 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

C3 CONSULTATION ON THE PROPOSAL TO REBUILD, RELOCATE AND PERMANENTLY EXPAND GIBSIDE SCHOOL

Consideration has been given to responses to the recent consultation on the proposal to rebuild, relocate and permanently expand Gibside School from 130 to 170 places.

RESOLVED - That the relocation, rebuild and expansion of Gibside School be approved:

The above decision has been made for the following reasons:

- (A) To meet the council's statutory duty to promote high educational standards and make effective use of resources.
- (B) To increase opportunities for parental choice when planning for the provision of schools.
- (C) To meet the requirements for school place planning purposes in order to provide sufficient places for future years.

C4 MAJOR EVENTS PROGRAMME - WORLD CLASS ATHLETICS

Consideration has been given to a proposal to progress and secure a World Class Athletics event in Gateshead.

RESOLVED - That the proposal to secure and agree contracts for a

World Class Athletics Global Event in 2020, 2021 and 2024 be approved.

The above decision was made for the following reasons:

- (A) To cement Gateshead's reputation as a host of major international sporting events and support the delivery of Gateshead's Culture Strategy.
- (B) To support the sustainability and raise the profile of key Gateshead assets most notably Gateshead International Stadium and the Gateshead Quayside.
- (C) To support delivery against key Council policy objectives such as the Gateshead Culture Strategy and the Thrive Agenda.

C5 REVIEW OF THE CONSTITUTION

Consideration has been given to a number of proposed amendments to the Council's Constitution.

RESOLVED - That the Council be recommended to approve the proposed amendments to the Council's Constitution as set in Appendices 2-4 of the report.

The above decision has been made to ensure that the Constitution remains fit for purpose and that its' aims and principles are given effect.

C6 HIGHWAY DEVELOPMENT FEES AND CHARGES

Consideration has been given to a revised and new scale of fees and charges for highway functions associated with new development.

RESOLVED - That the revised highway adoption agreement developers' fees and the new street naming and numbering charges as set out in Appendices 2 and 3.

The above decision has been made for the following reasons:

- (A) The revised fees better reflect the staff costs associated with the management of highway adoption agreements.
- (B) The new charges reflect the costs associated with the management of the street naming and numbering function.

C7

APPOINTMENTS TO ADVISORY GROUPS, OTHER BODIES OF THE COUNCIL, JOINT COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE BODIES

Consideration has been given to nominations of the Labour and Liberal Democrat Groups to advisory groups, other bodies of the Council, joint committees and outside bodies.

- RESOLVED -
- (i) That the nominations of the Labour and Liberal Democrat Groups as set out in appendices 2 and 3 of the report be approved, subject to the inclusion of Councillor Maria Hall as the Council's representative on Northumberland, Tyne and Wear NHS Foundation Trust of Governors.
 - (ii) That the Strategic Director, Corporate Services and Governance be authorised, following consultation with the Leader of the Council and/or Leader of the Opposition, to agree any further necessary changes to the list of annual appointments.

The above decisions have been made for the following reasons:

- (A) To ensure that the views of the political groups are taken into account when the appointments are made.
- (B) To ensure that the most appropriate councillors are appointed to each body.

C8

HOUSING DELIVERY TEST ACTION PLAN

Consideration has been given to the Housing Delivery Test Action Plan.

- RESOLVED -
- (i) That the content of the action plan be approved.
 - (ii) That the Acting Strategic Director, Communities and Environment be given delegated authority, following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing, to:
 - (a) make any minor changes to the action plan; and
 - (b) publish the action plan and submit it to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, if necessary.

The above decisions have been made for the following reasons:

- (A) To increase the amount of new housing delivered in the Borough to meet Local Housing Need and in line with the

Core Strategy.

- (B) The need to publish an action plan in accordance with paragraph 75 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

C9

HOME ENERGY CONSERVATION ACT (HECA) - PROGRESS REPORT

Consideration has been given to the biennial progress update in relation to the Home Energy Conservation Act 1995 .

- RESOLVED -
- (i) That Home Energy Conservation Act (HECA) Report, as set out in Appendix 2 of the report, be approved.
 - (ii) That the report be submitted to the Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy prior to 31 May 2019.
 - (iii) That the report be published on the Council's website
 - (iv) That an update report be received in March 2021.

The above decisions were made for the following reasons:

- (A) To meet the Council's statutory obligations under HECA (1995).
- (B) To continue improving the energy efficiency of both housing and non-domestic buildings in Gateshead.
- (C) To reduce CO₂ emissions from the domestic sector.

C10

COATSWORTH SHOPFRONT DESIGN GUIDE SPD - PROPOSED APPENDIX TO SUPPORT DETAILED DESIGN GUIDANCE FOR PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Consideration has been given to detailed design appendix to the 2013 Coatsworth Shopfront Design Guide Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) as part of the SPD, which sets out detailed design guidelines to support planning applications.

- RESOLVED -
- That the adoption of the appendix to the Coatsworth Shopfront Design Guide SPD be approved.

The above decision has been made for the following reasons:

- (A) To maintain the Council's and HLF investment through the THI scheme.
- (B) To publish proposals to conserve and enhance the

conservation area as required by the 1990
Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act
1990.

C11

NOMINATION OF LOCAL AUTHORITY SCHOOL GOVERNORS

Consideration has been given to the nomination of local authority governors to schools seeking to retain their local authority governor in accordance with The School Governance (Constitution) (England) Regulations.

RESOLVED - That the nominations for reappointment of the following local authority governors to the schools listed below, for a period of four years, as determined by the Schools' Instrument of Government, from the date indicated be approved.

| School | Nomination | Date From |
|---|---------------------|------------------|
| Brandling Primary School | Cllr S Dickie | 15.09.2019 |
| Carr Hill Community Primary School | Cllr M Gannon | 02.09.2019 |
| Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School, Gateshead | Cllr C Donovan | 02.09.2019 |
| Gibside School | Ms Joyce McAndrew | 01.09.2019 |
| Greenside Primary School | Cllr H Kelly | 11.07.2019 |
| Kingsmeadow Community Comprehensive School | Ms Allison Thompson | 02.09.2019 |
| St Agnes' Catholic Primary School, Crawcrook | Cllr K McCartney | 01.09.2019 |
| St Joseph's Catholic Infant School, Birtley | Cllr P Foy | 02.09.2019 |
| St Joseph's Catholic Junior School, Birtley | Cllr M Foy | 01.09.2019 |
| St Joseph's Catholic | Cllr S Ronchetti | 01.09.2019 |

Primary School,
Blaydon

St Joseph's Roman
Catholic Voluntary
Aided Primary School,
Highfield

Dr Robert Buckley 02.09.2019

St Oswald's Roman
Catholic Voluntary
Aided Primary School,
Wrekenton

Cllr J Lee 02.09.2019

Washingwell
Community
Primary School

Mr Chris McHugh 02.06.2019

Whickham
Parochial Church
of England Primary
School

Mrs Beth Smith 01.09.2019

C12 **PETITIONS SCHEDULE**

Consideration has been given to an update on petitions submitted to the Council and the action taken on them.

RESOLVED - That the petitions received and action taken on them be noted.

The above decision has been made to inform the Cabinet of the progress of the petitions.

C13 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

RESOLVED - That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the remaining business in accordance with paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

C14 **REVISIONS TO THE DELIVERY MODEL FOR THE GATESHEAD REGENERATION PARTNERSHIP**

Consideration has been given to the revised delivery model for Gateshead Regeneration Partnership (GRP), the Council's housing joint venture with Evolution Gateshead.

RESOLVED - (i) That the principles relating to the revised ways of working with Evolution Gateshead within the GRP, recommended in principle by the GRP Board

Members, to improve the delivery and management of GRP schemes, primarily promoting greater transparency, accountability and pace be approved.

- (ii) That the Strategic Director, Corporate Services and Governance be authorised, following consultation with the Strategic Director, Corporate Resources, to agree amendments to the legal documents to reflect the revised ways of working.
- (iii) That the principle of providing funding to GRP by way of a capital injection to address site specific constraints be approved, subject to the outcome of the State Aid analysis and Site Business Plan.
- (iv) That the Strategic Director, Corporate Resources be authorised, following consultation with the Strategic Director, Corporate Services and Governance, to agree the value of any capital injection having considered the underlying business case and advice from the external commercial and legal advisors to ensure compliance with State Aid legislation.
- (v) That the transfer of the Kelvin Grove site to GRP for delivery of 52 homes, with changes to the terms of the disposal to be agreed by the Strategic Director, Corporate Services and Governance, including the provision of £0.555m of Accelerated Construction funding from Homes England be approved, subject to the outcome of the State Aid analysis.

The above decisions have been made for the following reasons:

- (A) To Support the delivery of new homes, including affordable homes and specialist accommodation.
- (B) To utilise the Council's land and property portfolio to support the Council's policy priorities in accordance with the provisions of the Council's Corporate Asset Strategy and Management Plan 2015-2020.

Copies of all reports and appendices referred to in these minutes are available online and in the minute file. Please note access restrictions apply for exempt business as defined by the Access to Information Act.

The decisions referred to in these minutes will come into force and be implemented after the expiry of 3 working days after the publication date of the minutes identified below unless the matters are 'called in'.

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Chair.....