

Cabinet

A meeting of Cabinet was held on Thursday, 18th March, 2021.

Present: Cllr Robert Cook (Chair), Cllr Nigel Cooke, Cllr Lisa Evans , Cllr Mrs Ann McCoy, Cllr Steve Nelson, Cllr Michael Smith

Officers: Julie Danks, Margaret Waggott, John Devine, Michael Henderson (MD), Beccy Brown, Jonathan Nertney (HR&L), Garry Cummings ,(F,D&BS), Martin Gray (CHS), Reuben Kench (CL&E), Jamie McCann (CS), Ann Workman (AH).

Also in attendance: Cllrs Clark, Gamble, Hall, Riordan & Stephenson.

Apologies: Cllr Jim Beall

CAB 70/20 **Declarations of Interest**

There were no Declarations of Interest declared.

CAB 71/20 **Minutes of the Meetings held on 18th and 25th February 2021 - For Approval/Signature**

The Minutes of the Meetings held on 18th & 25th February 2021 were agreed and signed as a correct record.

CAB 72/20 **Council Plan 2021-24**

Cabinet was invited to endorse the proposed Council Plan 2021-24 for Council approval.

The plan set out the Council's vision for the Borough looking forward to 2024, and the key priorities the Council would be working on in the coming year to do our part in bringing the vision to life.

The plan contained objectives designed to enable the Council to be:-

- A place where people are healthy, safe and protected from harm
- A place that is clean, vibrant and attractive
- A place with a thriving economy where everyone has opportunities to succeed.

RECOMMENDED that Cabinet endorse the draft Council Plan for 2021-24 for approval by full Council.

CAB 73/20 **Employee Survey and Investor in People Reassessment Update**

Cabinet were provided with the headline results of the Covid-19 Employee Survey, carried out in order to assess the impact of the pandemic on employees and to gather information to inform the measures we can continue to develop to help and support the workforce to ensure that they can continue to work safely and effectively.

The report also provided an update on the Investors in People accreditation

following the recent reassessment visit. The scheduled reassessment visit also provided a useful opportunity to gain an external perspective and independent assessment of the impact of the pandemic on the workforce and of the revised working and support arrangements that have been put in place.

**CAB
74/20** **Annual Procurement Plan / Higher Value Contracts**

Cabinet approval was sought for the award of a number of planned higher value contracts scheduled for 2021/22, where the value exceeded the limit on officer delegated authority and which were either funded within the approved MTFP, or were subject to a bid for external funding.

The Council's Constitution defined a range of decisions that required a specific Cabinet approval, the financial threshold for which was set at a level of £500k or more. Details of the known procurement projects over £500k that were underway and due for contract award were detailed at Annex 1 to the report.

RESOLVED that Cabinet approves the contracts listed in Annex 1 to the report and gives associated authority to the relevant Director or Assistant Director to make the specific contract award decisions and any subsequent contract variation and extension.

**CAB
75/20** **LA Governor Appointments**

In accordance with the procedure for the appointment of school / academy governors, approved as Minute CAB 27/13 of the Cabinet (13 June 2013), Cabinet was invited to consider the following nominations, as amended at the meeting, to school / academy Governing Bodies:-

- Mandale Primary School - Cllr Luke Frost
- Fairfield Primary School - Wendy Spurr
- Priors Mill Primary School - Mike Boyle
- St John the Baptist Primary School - Lynn Iles

RESOLVED that the above appointment be made to the vacant Governorships subject to successful List 99 check and Personal Disclosure.