

**CABINET****HELD: 2 FEBRUARY 2016**

Start: 4.30pm

Finish: 4.35pm

**PRESENT:**

Councillors: I Moran (Leader of the Council, in the Chair)

Councillors:

Portfolio

T Aldridge

Older People

Y Gagen

Deputy Leader of the Council &amp; Leisure

J Hodson

Planning

J Patterson

Housing and Landlord Services

C Wynn

Finance

Officers:

Acting Chief Executive (Ms K Webber)

Interim Borough Solicitor (Mr T Broderick)

Interim Borough Transformation Manager (Mr S Walsh)

Service Accountant (Mrs K Samosa)

Principal Member Services Officer (Mrs S Griffiths)

In attendance:

Councillors

Owens, D Westley

**93. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Wilkie and Wright.

**94. SPECIAL URGENCY (RULE 16 ACCESS TO INFORMATION PROCEDURE RULES)/URGENT BUSINESS**

The Leader advised that, in accordance with Rule 16 Access to Information Procedure Rules, he had obtained the agreement of the Chairman of the Executive Overview & Scrutiny Committee to consider a joint report from the Interim Borough Solicitor and the Interim Director Housing and Regeneration in relation to "Request for Funds – Opposition To Extension of Whitemoss Landfill Site, Skelmersdale" as this item could not reasonably be deferred due to a request for funding that had just been received to enable representation at an imminent Court hearing on 16 February 2016.

This item was considered at minute no. 98.

**95. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**96. MATTERS REQUIRING DECISIONS**

Consideration was given to the report relating to the following matters requiring decisions as contained on pages 1765 – 1797 of the Book of Reports.

**97. FUNDING OF VOLUNTARY & OTHER ORGANISATIONS WORKING GROUP**

Councillor Gagen introduced the report of the Interim Borough Transformation Manager which advised on the recommendations of the Funding of Voluntary and Other Organisations Cabinet Working Group in relation to the applications received from the voluntary organisations for one year revenue funding from 1 April 2016.

In reaching the decision below, Cabinet considered the details set out in the report before it and accepted the reasons contained therein.

- RESOLVED
- A. That the recommendations arising from the scoring of the applications received from voluntary organisations for one year revenue funding from April 2016 onwards by the Funding of Voluntary and Other Organisations Cabinet Working Group at its meeting on 14 January 2016 be endorsed as detailed in the minutes of the meeting attached at Appendix 4.
  - B. That the call-in procedure is not appropriate for this item as the recommendations of the Working Group form part of the considerations when the Council's budget is finalised on 24 February 2016.

**98. REQUEST FOR FUNDS - OPPOSITION TO EXTENSION OF WHITEMOSS LANDFILL SITE, SKELMERSDALE**

The Leader introduced the joint report of the Interim Borough Solicitor & Interim Director of Housing & Regeneration which considered a request for a contribution of £4,000 towards the cost of funding a challenge to the Secretary of State's decision to allow planning permission to extend the Whitemoss Landfill Site, Skelmersdale.

A motion from the Leader was circulated at the meeting.

In reaching the decision below, Cabinet considered the motion from the Leader and the details set out in the report before it and accepted the reasons contained therein.

- RESOLVED
- A. That the Interim Director Housing & Regeneration be authorised to make a contribution of £4,000 from the Major Projects Reserve towards the funding for a challenge to the Secretary of State's decision to allow planning permission to extend the Whitemoss Landfill Site, Skelmersdale.
  - B. That the call-in procedure is not appropriate for this item as the request for funding has just been received to enable representation at an imminent Court hearing on 16 February 2016.

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LEADER