

## CABINET

**HELD: Tuesday, 23 February 2021**

Start: 7.00 p.m.

Finish: 7.11 p.m.

## PRESENT:

### Councillors:

### Portfolio

Councillor Ian Moran	Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Economic Regeneration
Councillor Yvonne Gagen	Deputy Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Leisure & Human Resources
Councillor Vickie Cummins	Portfolio Holder for Health and Wellbeing
Councillor Gareth Dowling	Portfolio Holder for Communities and Community Safety
Councillor David Evans	Portfolio Holder for Planning
Councillor Jenny Wilkie	Portfolio Holder for Housing and Landlord Services
Councillor Kevin Wilkie	Portfolio Holder for Street Scene
Councillor Kevin Wright	Portfolio Holder for Emergency Planning, Preparation and Implementation
Councillor Adam Yates	Portfolio Holder for Resources & Transformation

### In attendance:

#### Councillors

Councillors: Paul O'Neill, Adrian Owens, Anne Sutton, David Westley and David Whittington

### Officers:

Jacqui Sinnott-Lacey, Chief Operating Officer  
Chris Twomey, Corporate Director of Transformation & Resources  
Heidi McDougall, Corporate Director of Place & Community  
Simon Burnet, Head of Wellbeing and Leisure  
James Pierce, Head of Finance, Procurement & Commercial Services  
  
Ian Gill, Head of Growth and Development  
Matt Jones, Legal and Democratic Services Manager  
Rachel Kneale, Estates and Valuation Manager  
Jill Ryan, Senior Member Services Officer  
Chloe McNally, Member Services Apprentice

## **APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies for absence.

**72 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

The following declaration of interest was received.

Councillor Gagen declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda items relating to Lancashire County Council (LCC) as an employee of Lancashire County Council and did not enter into detailed discussions, which affected LCC.

**73 PUBLIC SPEAKING**

There were no items under this heading.

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

There were no items of special urgency.

**75 MINUTES**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 12 January 2021 were received as a correct record and signed by the Leader.

**76 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

RESOLVED: That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 (financial/business affairs) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of that Act and as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption under Schedule 12A outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

(Note: No representations had been received in relation to the following item being considered in private)

**77 MATTERS REQUIRING DECISIONS**

Consideration was given to report relating to the following matters requiring decisions and contained on pages 945 – 964 of the Book of Reports.

**78 PURCHASE OF LAND AT FAIRLIE, SKELMERSDALE**

Consideration was given to the report of the Corporate Director of Place and Community, which sought authority to purchase land at Fairlie, Skelmersdale.

In reaching the decision below, Cabinet considered the details as set out in the

report before it and the reasons contained therein.

**RESOLVED:** That subject to Council approving paragraph 3.1 of the report, acquisition of the land at Fairlie, Skelmersdale for £350,000, hatched on the plan attached to the report (Appendix A), on behalf of the HRA be agreed and authority be given to the Corporate Director of Place and Community to enter into all necessary arrangements with regard to the proposed purchase from Lancashire County Council.

**79 LEISURE CONTRACT EXTENSION 2021 / 22 FINAL PROPOSAL**

Consideration was given to the report of the Corporate Director of Place and Community, which provided Cabinet with details of the proposed 2021/2022 Leisure Contract extension between WLBC, West Lancashire Community Leisure Trust (WLCLT) and Serco and to seek agreement to proceed with the extension.

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

- RESOLVED**
- A. That Cabinet agree to the financial proposal detailed in Section 6.7 of the report.
  
  - B. That the Corporate Director of Place and Community, in conjunction with the Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Human Resources, be authorised to take all necessary actions required to enter into the contract extension.

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**Leader**