CABINET

HELD: Tuesday, 9 June 2020
Start: 7.00 pm
Finish: 7.15 pm

PRESENT:

Councillors: 

- 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 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 Health and Community Safety
- Councillor Adam Yates: Portfolio Holder for Resources & Transformation

In attendance: 
Councillors Ashcroft, Blake, Blane, Blundell, Mee, Owens, Sutton, Thompson, D Westley and Witter.

Officers: 

- Jacqui Sinnott-Lacey, Chief Operating Officer
- Heidi McDougall, Corporate Director of Place & Community
- Chris Twomey, Corporate Director of Transformation & Resources
- Ian Gill, Head of Growth & Development Services
- Simon Burnett, Head of Wellbeing & Leisure Services
- Paul Knight, Interim Head of Housing and Regulatory Services
- Peter Lightbown, Interim Head of Corporate & Customer Services
- Michelle Williams, Head of Environmental Services
- Matt Jones, Legal & Democratic Services Manager
- Jacky Denning, Democratic Services Manager
- Jill Ryan, Member & Civic Services Officer

103 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for absence received.

104 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following Declarations of Interest were received:
SPECIAL URGENCY (RULE 16 ACCESS TO INFORMATION PROCEDURE RULES)/URGENT BUSINESS

The following item of business was included on the agenda for the meeting under Special Urgency:

USE OF CAPITAL FUNDING FOR PUBLIC REALM IMPROVEMENTS AT WHEATSHEAF WALK

Councillor D Evans introduced the report of the Corporate Director of Place & Community, as contained on pages 1477 to 1496 of the Book of Reports, sought confirmation of the use of capital funding for urgent public realm improvements at Wheatsheaf Walk, to include the removal of the pagoda and planters to create a more open and functional space to aid social distancing and the re-opening of businesses during the current COVID-19 outbreak.

Councillor D Evans referred to representations that had been received from a member of the public, which was available on the Council’s website.

A Motion from Councillor D Evans, circulated prior to the meeting, was moved and seconded.

A vote was taken on the Motion, which was CARRIED.

RESOLVED: A. That Members note the consultation feedback on the Wheatsheaf Walk public realm improvement proposals provided at Appendix 2 to this report.

B. That the matter be referred to Executive Overview & Scrutiny Committee on 26 June 2020 for consideration.

C. That delegated authority be given to the Corporate Director of Place & Community, in consultation with the relevant Portfolio Holder, to make a decision in relation to the proposed removal of the pagoda and planters at Wheatsheaf Walk in Ormskirk, taking into account the agreed comments of the Executive
Overview & Scrutiny Committee.

D. That Call In is not appropriate for this item as the report is being referred to Executive Overview & Scrutiny Committee.

107 PUBLIC SPEAKING

It was noted that representations had been received in relation to item 2(a) on the agenda ‘Use of Capital Funding for Public Realm Improvements at Wheatsheaf Walk’.

108 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on the 10 March 2020 be received as a correct record and signed by the Leader.

109 MATTERS REQUIRING DECISIONS

Consideration was given to the reports relating to the following matters requiring decisions and contained on pages 1339 to 1422 of the Book of Reports.

110 UPDATE TO THE COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY AND SECTION 106 GOVERNANCE AND EXPENDITURE FRAMEWORK

Councillor David Evans introduced the report of the Corporate Director of Place and Community, which provided details to Members of an update to the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and Section 106 Governance and Expenditure Framework. The update had been prepared to respond to the Government amendments to the CIL Regulations (2019), and to reflect Cabinet decisions made since the adoption of the original Governance Framework and as a result of a best practice review of operations designed to ensure that the framework remains the most appropriate and effective approach for CIL and S106 expenditure.

A Motion from Councillor D Evans, circulated prior to the meeting, was moved and seconded.

A vote was taken on the Motion, which was CARRIED.

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

RESOLVED: That the revisions to the Community Infrastructure Levy and Section 106 Governance and Expenditure Framework, as attached at Appendix A to the report, be endorsed for consideration by Council at the meeting on 22 July, subject to:

A. An amendment of paragraphs 6.19 – 6.21 of the Governance and Expenditure Framework to increase the amount of strategic
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CIL which can be allocated to smaller-scale projects each year through the CIL Funding Programme to £200,000.

B. The removal of the word "(annually)" from paragraph 4.2 of the Appendix ‘(Update to the) Governance Framework for Community Infrastructure Levy and Section 106 Expenditure – June 2020’

111 QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS (Q4 2019/20)

Councillor Yates introduced the report of the Corporate Director of Transformation and Resources which presented performance monitoring data for the quarter end 31 March 2020.

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

RESOLVED: A That the Council's performance against the indicator set for the quarter period ended 31 March be noted.

B That the call-in procedure is not appropriate for this item as the report will be submitted to the meeting of the Corporate and Environmental Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 11 June 2020.

112 ANTI MONEY LAUNDERING POLICY

Councillor Yates introduced the report of the Head of Finance, Procurement and Commercial Property, which set out the results of a review of the Council's Anti-money Laundering Policy.

A copy of the minute of Audit & Governance Committee held on 28 January 2020 was circulated prior to the meeting.

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

RESOLVED: That the updated Anti-Money Laundering Policy as set out in Appendix 1 to the Report be approved.

113 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 it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 4 (Labour relations) of Part 1 of Schedule
12A of that Act and as, in all 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).

114 MATTERS REQUIRING DECISIONS

Consideration was given to a report relating to the following matter requiring a decision and contained on pages 1423 to 1475 of the Book of Reports.

115 REVISED CHRISTMAS WORKING ARRANGEMENTS AND CHANGES TO THE HARMONISATION AND SINGLE STATUS DOCUMENT

Councillor Wilkie introduced the joint report of the Corporate Director of Transformation and Resources and the Corporate Director of Place and Community, which sought approval of a revision of the terms and conditions of staff as detailed in the Harmonisation and Single Status Document to facilitate the more efficient delivery of services during the weeks around Christmas and New Year.

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

RESOLVED: That the proposed changes to the Harmonisation and Single Status Document as presented at Appendix 1 to the report be agreed and that they be presented to Council in July 2020.

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