

Cabinet Minutes

The minutes of the Cabinet meeting of Wyre Borough Council held on Wednesday, 11 January 2023 at the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Poulton-Le-Fylde.

Cabinet members present:

Councillor Michael Vincent, Leader of the Council

Councillor Roger Berry, Deputy Leader and Neighbourhood Services and Community Safety Portfolio Holder

Councillor Lynne Bowen, Leisure, Health and Community Engagement Portfolio Holder Councillor Simon Bridge JP, Street Scene, Parks and Open Spaces Portfolio Holder Councillor David Henderson, Resources Portfolio Holder

Apologies for absence:

Councillor Alice Collinson, Planning Policy and Economic Development Portfolio Holder

Other councillors present:

Councillors Kay, Le Marinel and Orme

Officers present:

Garry Payne, Chief Executive
Mark Billington, Corporate Director Environment
Marianne Hesketh, Corporate Director Communities
Clare James, Corporate Director Resources and Section 151 Officer
Duncan Jowitt, Democratic Services Officer
Marianne Unwin, Democratic Services Officer
Neil Greenwood, Head of Environmental Health and Community Safety

No members of the public or press attended the meeting.

CAB.24 Declarations of interest

None.

CAB.25 Confirmation of minutes

The minutes of the Cabinet meeting of 19 October 2022 were approved as a correct record.

CAB.26 Public questions

None

CAB.27 Youth Anti-Social Behaviour in Wyre Task Group final report

The Corporate Director Environment and the Chair of the Tackling Youth Anti-Social Behaviour in Wyre Task Group submitted a report detailing the work of the Tackling Youth Anti-Social Behaviour in Wyre Task Group.

Decisions

Speaking on behalf of Cabinet, Councillor Berry confirmed that Cabinet accepted the following recommendations (numbered as per the report):

- 3.1 That the council continue to develop closer working relationships with organisations such as schools across Wyre to communicate the council's role with youth anti-social behaviour (ASB) and continue to try to expand it.
- 3.2 That the council make enquires with external organisations to consider running and financing a revival of a project where the high schools across Wyre, including pupil referral units, create drama productions on key community safety topics such as youth ASB as the council alone did not have the resources.
- 3.4 That the council continue to work with partners to obtain external funding to continue such diversionary activities for young people as the boxing project in Fleetwood and consider expanding such projects for a more universal appeal.
- 3.5 That the council continue to promote how residents can report incidents of ASB. Councillor Berry added that it is important that ASB was reported to the police using the 101 call line or the online reporting system and that, in addition and not instead, residents could report ASB to the council.
- 3.6 That the council replicate the work of Garstang Town Council in providing councillors with a guide on reporting ASB to relevant authorities and how to share this information with local residents and that a future pre-council briefing slot be scheduled on this topic following the election in May 2023.
- 3.8 That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee review the implementation of the recommendations agreed by Cabinet after 12 months.

In response to Recommendation 3.3 relating to the proposed formation of a Wyre Council Youth Forum, Councillor Berry said that Cabinet could not accept this as it raised issues much wider than dealing with Youth ASB. Those issues would include the forum's responsibilities and remit, rules of

procedure and its governance in addition to questions of the financing and administration of such a forum, which prevented taking it forward within the context of the task group's report.

With regard to Recommendation 3.7, Councillor Berry advised that Cabinet could not accept it as the council was currently awaiting advice from external partners about the possible upgrading of the CCTV system including redeployable cameras. Cabinet would then need to take a decision on whether to approve the upgrade and, if agreed, decide on its form and extent and the means of finance. He said that Ring Doorbell cameras for identified victims of youth ASB would require external funding and that he understood that the police had applied to Lancashire Partnership Against Crime for that funding.

On behalf of Cabinet, Councillor Berry thanked Councillor Kay and the other members of the Tackling Youth Anti-Social Behaviour in Wyre Task Group for the fantastic amount of work they had done in interviewing witnesses and collecting evidence and as well as the Community Safety Team and all the officers who had helped to support the task group.

CAB.28 Authorities Monitoring Report

The Planning and Economic Development Portfolio Holder and Corporate Director Communities submitted a report asking Cabinet to consider and recommend the content of the Authorities Monitoring Report 2021-2022.

Decisions

Cabinet agreed that subject to the inclusion of any minor editorial alterations, the Authorities Monitoring Report 2021-2022, as set out in Appendix 1 of the report, be approved and made available for public inspection

CAB.29 Fleetwood Regeneration Framework

The Planning Policy and Economic Development Portfolio Holder and Corporate Director Communities submitted a report seeking adoption of the Fleetwood Regeneration Framework (FRF).

Decisions

Cabinet agreed that

- the council adopt the FRF included at Appendix 1 of the report.
- the Head of Planning and Regeneration be authorised to make amendments and corrections to the FRF. Such changes may include but are not limited to editorial corrections, typographical errors, changed local circumstances or investment opportunities.
- where the revisions may alter the strategic objectives of the FRF, the
 Head of Planning and Regeneration, in consultation with the Planning
 Policy and Economic Development Portfolio Holder, may determine if it
 is appropriate to carry out further proportionate stakeholder or public
 consultations on the proposed revisions.

CAB.30 Capital Programme Review and Monitoring Report (third quarter) (annual report)

The Resources Portfolio Holder and Corporate Director Resources submitted a report asking Cabinet to

- consider the review of the 2022/23 Capital Programme and the progress of schemes for the nine month period, covering April 2022 through December 2022, undertaken by spending officers. Noting amendments to the Capital Programme since last reported to Cabinet on 19 October 2022 and the financial impact over the term of the Programme, through to the end of 2027/28.
- agree the latest Capital Budget 2022/23 and the Capital Programme for the financial year 2023/24 onwards.

Decisions

Cabinet agreed that

- 1. the progress of, and expenditure incurred on, capital schemes for the first nine months of the 2022/23 financial year be noted.
- 2. the Revised Capital Programme, and its funding, for the 2022/23 financial year totalling £17,343,792 be approved, noting the following specific amendments:
 - £1,922,155 expenditure on Fleetwood Market Improvement Works, with funding from capital receipts;
 - £380,000 expenditure on the UK Shared Prosperity Fund projects, with funding from the Department for Levelling Up, Houses and Communities;
 - £125,996 expenditure on ICT Cyber Resilience and Disaster Recovery measures, with funding from the IT Strategy Reserve;
 - £7,000 deferral of expenditure for Jubilee Gardens Refurbishment to 2025/26, funded from capital receipts.
- 3. the Capital Programme over the five year term from 2023/24 through to the end of 2027/28, totalling £57,245,754, be approved.
- 4. the financial implications of the Capital Budget and future Capital Programme be reflected in the draft Revenue Estimates which will be considered by Cabinet at their meeting on 15 February 2023 and be subject to approval by Full Council at the meeting on 9 March 2023.

The meeting started at 5.00 pm and finished at 5.16 pm.

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Options considered but rejected

Any alternative options that were considered but rejected, in addition to the reasons for the recommendations that were made, are included in the full reports.

When will these decisions be implemented?

All decisions will be put into effect five working days from the date of publication, unless a decision is "called-in" by any four members of the council within that period.