

Cabinet Minutes

The minutes of the Cabinet meeting of Wyre Borough Council held on Wednesday, 2 December 2020 - Remote Access via Webex.

Cabinet members present:

Councillor David Henderson, Leader of the Council
Councillor Alan Vincent, Deputy Leader and Resources Portfolio Holder
Councillor Roger Berry, 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 Michael Vincent, Planning and Economic Development Portfolio Holder

Apologies for absence:

None

Other councillors present:

Councillor(s) Fail, Fairbanks, O'Neill and Stirzaker

Officers present:

Mark Billington, Corporate Director Environment
Marianne Hesketh, Corporate Director Communities
Garry Payne, Chief Executive
Duncan Jowitt, Democratic Services Officer
Emma Keany, Democratic Services Officer
Marianne Unwin, Assistant Democratic Services Officer

No members of the public or press attended the meeting.

CAB.11 Declarations of interest

None.

CAB.12 Public questions

None

CAB.13 Exclusion of public and press

The Chief Executive had determined that in accordance with Paragraph 11 of the Access to Information Rules in Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, the

report submitted under item 5 of this agenda was "Not for Publication" because it referred to "exempt information" as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A(3) of the Local Government Act, 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Variation Order 2006, on the grounds that it contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person (including the authority holding that information).

Decision

Cabinet agreed that the public and press be excluded from the meeting whilst agenda item 5 was being considered, as it referred to exempt information as defined in category 3 (Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)) of Part 1 of Schedule 12(a) of the Local Government Act, 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Variation Order 2006 and the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.

CAB.14 Capital investment to acquire Commercial Units at Fleetwood Docks and acceptance of Getting Building Fund grant

The Corporate Director Communities submitted a report asking Cabinet to approve funding for the acquisition of commercial units at Fleetwood Docks and acceptance of a Getting Buildings Fund grant.

Decision

Cabinet:

- approved the funding for the acquisition of a development of commercial units at a future date, as part of a wider regeneration project at Fleetwood Docks and acceptance of a Getting Buildings Fund grant to support this development and wider economic ambitions.
- authorised the Corporate Director Communities (in consultation with the Corporate Director Resources (s.151 Officer)) to reach agreement with the vendor and subject thereto to enter into an agreement to lease (head lease) one unit with Associated British Ports (ABP) for a period not exceeding 10 years and any subsequent lease (sub lease) agreements considered appropriate.
- authorised the Corporate Director Communities (in consultation with the Corporate Director Resources (s.151 Officer)) to reach agreement with the vendor and subject thereto to enter into any and all necessary documents, agreements and contracts to undertake the acquisition and leases.
- authorised the Corporate Director Communities to enter into a Grant Funding Agreement (GFA) with the LEP and subsequently to agree terms and enter into an appropriate GFA with ABP to enable the delivery of Project Neptune and to secure and accept any further grant

funding or outside investment and to amend the Council's 2020/21 and 2021/2022 Capital Programme accordingly.

The meeting started at 5.30 pm and finished at 5.48 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.