

North East Derbyshire District Council – Decisions taken by the Cabinet on Thursday, 29 February 2024

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Item 4	Medium Term Financial Plan Budget Monitoring Report April - December 2023 (Q 3)	<p><u>RESOLVED</u></p> <p>That Cabinet noted the Quarter Three Budget Monitoring position as outlined in the report and detailed in Appendices 1-4 to the report.</p> <p><u>REASONS FOR DECISION</u></p> <p>To inform Cabinet of the financial position of the Council, following the third quarter’s budget monitoring exercise for the General Fund, the Housing Revenue Account and Capital Programme.</p> <p><u>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED BUT REJECTED</u></p> <p>No other options were considered. The report provided monitoring information for Members on the financial position against the Council’s previously approved budget.</p> <p>Please note that this was not a Key Decision and so can be implemented with immediate effect by officers.</p>
Item 5	Derby and Derbyshire Strategic Leadership Board	<p><u>RESOLVED</u></p> <p>That Cabinet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approved the proposals for the establishment of the Derby and Derbyshire Strategic Leadership Board (SLB) and the delegation of functions to this Joint Committee as set out in the Functions and Responsibilities document in Appendix 2 of the Council report. 2. Noted the draft the Terms of Reference, including the Introduction and Context,

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		<p>Functions and Responsibilities, Procedural Rules, and Information Procedure Rules for the SLB as set out at Appendix 2 of the Council report and the position detailed in those documents regarding scrutiny and co-option.</p> <p>3. Appointed the Leader of the Council as the Council’s representative on the SLB and the Deputy Leader of the Council, as substitute.</p> <p>4. Noted the intention that the SLB be the body for the nomination of District and Borough representatives to the East Midlands Combined County Authority (the CCA), when established, further noting that this was subject to the CCA’s agreement that this be the mechanism.</p> <p>5. Agreed that the County Council act as the host authority for the Joint Committee.</p> <p>6. Noted and agreed the dissolution of the D2 Joint Committee for Economic Prosperity, the enactment of which is subject to the establishment of the SLB and recommends that the Constitution is amended accordingly.</p> <p>7. Noted and agreed the dissolution of the Vision Derbyshire Joint Committee, the enactment of which was subject to the establishment of the SLB and recommends that the Constitution is amended accordingly.</p> <p>8. Agreed with the Council’s active participation in the SLB and the associated costs of taking forward the programme of work, the maximum cost of which currently stands at £12,500 for NEDDC (assuming all Districts and Boroughs are members of the SLB) which is funded until at least March 2025 via the Business Rates pool.</p> <p>9. Noted that as the functions of the SLB are executive functions, Derbyshire</p>

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		<p>County Council would not have the opportunity to co-opt additional members onto the SLB and the ability to co-opt is restricted within the Terms of Reference.</p> <p>10. Noted that, in accordance with section 9F of the Local Government Act 2000, constituent authorities who operate executive arrangements would need to make formal scrutiny arrangements to review or scrutinise decisions made in connection with the exercise of the functions of the D2 Strategic Leadership Board, and that the Council's existing scrutiny arrangements would apply.</p> <p>11. Delegated authority to the Managing Director and Head of Paid Service in consultation with the Leader to agree the final terms of reference for the SLB and all other arrangements.</p> <p><u>REASONS FOR DECISION</u></p> <p>To establish the Derby and Derbyshire Strategic Leadership Board with robust governance arrangements in place and secure the Council's future involvement and participation in new governance arrangements as they develop and emerge.</p> <p>To ensure that the Council has appropriate lead Elected Member representation on the proposed Strategic Leadership Board, via the appointment of suitable Cabinet Members.</p> <p>To ensure that the Council has appropriate delegations in place to enable the Council to participate in finalising the details of the Strategic Leadership Board governance.</p> <p><u>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED BUT REJECTED</u></p> <p>The option of not creating a successor committee to the former joint committees was</p>

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		<p>considered but rejected, as there would still need to be an alternative vehicle to make nominations to the CCA when established.</p> <p>The option of the Council not participating in the SLB once established was considered but rejected as not desirable. The SLB is a merger of two successful Joint Committees to support effective and efficient decision making. There is also significant interest in continuing to work collaboratively with Derby and Derbyshire Councils and to work collectively in partnership to tackle the county’s challenges and speak as a collective where possible.</p> <p>Please note that this was not a Key Decision and so can be implemented with immediate effect by officers.</p>
Item 6	Shared Ownership Allocations Policy	<p><u>RESOLVED</u></p> <p>That the revised Shared Ownership Allocations Policy is approved.</p> <p><u>REASONS FOR DECISION</u></p> <p>The previous Shared Ownership Policy has now expired, and a revised Policy needs to be put in place.</p> <p><u>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED BUT REJECTED</u></p> <p>The option of not revising the Policy was considered but rejected as the revised Policy gives clear procedures on how Council owned shared properties are sold. It also sets out the Council’s stance on building or acquiring this type of tenure in the future for inclusion in the Council Housing Stock.</p> <p>Please note that this was not a Key Decision and so can be implemented with</p>

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Item 7	'Unlocking' The Avenue Southern Access	<p><u>RESOLVED</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That Cabinet noted the recent progress in 'unlocking' The Avenue Southern Access. 2. That Cabinet approved further officer resource and undoubtedly further investment from the Council (on a business case by business case basis), to complete The Avenue development, as outlined in the report, as a regeneration priority. 3. That Cabinet supported The Avenue being discussed and promoted to partners and funders as the Council's priority regeneration scheme. <p><u>REASONS FOR DECISION</u></p> <p>To approve further officer resources and further investment from the Council (on a case-by-case basis to complete The Avenue development as a regeneration priority for the Council.</p> <p><u>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED BUT REJECTED</u></p> <p>The option of not completing the Southern Access to The Avenue as outlined in the Local Plan and various consultations was considered but rejected. To do so could be considered negative and inflict reputational damage on the Council.</p> <p>Please note that this was not a Key Decision and so can be implemented with immediate effect by officers.</p>

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Item 10	Report on the Future of the Housing Revenue Account Car Parking Strategy (Exempt Item)	<p><u>RESOLVED</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the initial pilot parking schemes at Kelstedge and Holymoorside be no longer progressed, due to the numerous issues around delivery of the individual sites. 2. That the three 'Phase One' sites at Killamarsh, Grassmoor and Ashover, which have now successfully received planning permission, be progressed to completion on site where feasible. 3. That the three Phase One sites which have currently been unsuccessful through the planning process or withdrawn, Littlemoor, Renishaw and Ridgeway, be not progressed. 4. As part of the ongoing estate management process Rykneld Homes Limited review the void specification to include the installation of hardstanding parking areas and Electric Vehicle (EV) charging points, where affordable and viable. 5. That parking improvements be incorporated, whenever feasible, in future estate regeneration/redevelopment schemes. 6. The budget allocation be utilised for future regeneration projects. <p><u>REASONS FOR DECISION</u></p> <p>A significant amount of officer time and resources have been expended in order to develop specific schemes through to the Planning stage. The decision will allow action to now be taken to take forward appropriate schemes in the near future and so enable improvements through the Housing Revenue Account to be achieved.</p>

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Item 11	Clay Cross Town Deal - Town Centre Contractor Procurement (Exempt Item)	<p><u>RESOLVED</u></p> <p>That Cabinet agreed to enter a contract with Inside Limited to deliver the construction elements for the Clay Cross Town Centre Regeneration Scheme, as well as undertaking any other required associated ancillary agreements, subject to outstanding contract negotiation and due diligence requirements.</p> <p><u>REASONS FOR DECISION</u></p> <p>Agreeing to contract with the identified construction company will mean that a quality, experienced provider can be commissioned within budget to meet the objectives and delivery timescale of the Clay Cross Town Centre Regeneration Scheme.</p> <p><u>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED BUT REJECTED</u></p> <p>As specified in the report.</p> <p>This is a Key Decision. The call-in period for the decision will run until Monday 11 March 2024</p>