

North East Derbyshire District Council – Decisions taken by the Cabinet on Thursday, 28 March 2024

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Item 4	NEDDC Climate Change Strategy 2024-2030 - NOW PUBLISHED	<p><u>RESOLVED -</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) That Cabinet agreed that the Climate Change Strategy reflects the current Council Plan’s vision and priorities in a concise and clear manner. (2) That Cabinet agreed the updated Climate Change Strategy title ‘Rethink, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle’ better reflects the Council’s commitment to sustainable thinking. (3) Cabinet noted that the monitoring approach on Climate Change now aligns with Government guidelines to aid transparency and cohesiveness. (4) That Cabinet approved the updated Climate Change Strategy and agreed for it to be published on the Council’s website. <p><u>REASONS FOR DECISION</u> – To display the Council’s approach on tackling Climate Change and enable the Council to be more sustainable.</p> <p><u>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED</u> - Alternative options were not considered appropriate as the aim of the refresh was to align the Strategy with the Council Plan 2023/27.</p> <p>Please note that this was not a Key Decision and so can be implemented with immediate effect by officers.</p>
Item 5	Council Plan Objectives Update - October to December 2023	<p><u>RESOLVED -</u> That Cabinet noted the progress against the Council Plan 2023-2027 objectives.</p> <p><u>REASONS FOR DECISION</u> – This was an information report to keep Members</p>

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		<p>informed of progress against the Council Plan objectives.</p> <p><u>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED</u> – Not applicable. The report provided an overview of progress which had been made against the Council Plan 2023-2027 objectives.</p> <p>Please note that this was not a Key Decision and so can be implemented with immediate effect by officers.</p>
Item 6	Local Plan Review - Local Plan Evidence Base and Position Statement	<p><u>RESOLVED</u> -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) That Cabinet agreed the decision not to formally progress with a full Review of the Local Plan at this stage. (2) That Cabinet approved the evidence base Action Plan at Appendix 2 of the report. (3) That Cabinet approved the ‘Position Statement’ for publication on the Council’s website. (4) That Cabinet noted the notes from the first Local Plan Working Group meeting on 1 November 2023 (Appendix 3). <p><u>REASONS FOR DECISION</u> – To enable the Council to progress with evidence based work so that it is in the best position to adopt the new Local Plan making processes that are expected to come into force later this year, and to agree a statement that sets out the Council’s position and updates members of the public on the approach being taken. The publication of a Position Statement would demonstrate openness and transparency around the matter of plan making.</p>

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		<p><u>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED</u> – The option of announcing a formal Review of the Local Plan now was considered but rejected. The option was not recommended by officers or the Working Group due to the likely duplication/delays that would be caused by the anticipated changes to the plan making process. The option of doing nothing was considered but rejected. Officers were of the view that the evidence base behind a number of the strategic policies within the Local Plan needed to be updated.</p> <p>Please note that this was not a Key Decision and so can be implemented with immediate effect by officers.</p>
Item 7	Discretionary Power to Reduce Council Tax - Section 13 (a) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992	<p><u>RESOLVED</u> - That Cabinet endorsed the implementation of the Section 13A Council Tax reduction scheme.</p> <p><u>REASONS FOR DECISION</u> - To comply with the legislative requirement that each Council Tax billing authority in England make a scheme specifying the terms and eligibility for the Section 13A Council Tax Reductions.</p> <p><u>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED</u> – To take no action would mean that the Council would fail to comply with its legislative responsibilities.</p> <p>Please note that this was not a Key Decision and so can be implemented with immediate effect by officers.</p>
Item 8	Stonebroom Redevelopment Update - NOW PUBLISHED	<p><u>RESOLVED</u> -</p> <p>(1) That Cabinet noted the progress on the project to regenerate the Prefabricated Bungalows at Stonebroom, including the option to consider delivery of a new community building to replace existing provision.</p>

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		<p>(2) That Cabinet approved demolition notices be issued to 40 tenancies of the bungalows.</p> <p>(3) That Cabinet approved RHL’s request to award Band 1 priority housing application status to seven tenancies of the bungalows, who have expressed an interest in relocating away from the project.</p> <p>(4) That Cabinet approved further detailed design, engineering and construction planning works be undertaken for the project with a budget cost of £0.5m (from within the approved budget) in advance of the main construction contract.</p> <p>(5) That Cabinet noted temporary decants of existing customers will be required into current voids on the development. This is necessary to facilitate the construction programme and ensure the scheme is viable.</p> <p>(6) That Cabinet noted existing gardens, access paths and open grass spaces will need to be incorporated into the construction area in a flexible manner, to provide sufficient storage, access and working space for the construction team during redevelopment.</p> <p><u>REASONS FOR DECISION</u> - The regeneration scheme at Stonebroom supports the Council’s commitment in its Council Plan to build, acquire and facilitate the delivery of more high-quality social housing for rent in the District.</p> <p><u>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED</u> - Not applicable.</p> <p>Please note that this was not a Key Decision and so can be implemented with immediate effect by officers.</p>
Item 11	Rykneild Homes Ltd Senior	<u>RESOLVED</u> - That Cabinet endorsed the proposed changes to the Rykneild Homes Ltd

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	Management Team Review - NOW PUBLISHED	<p>(RHL) Senior Management Team structure, as set out in the report.</p> <p><u>REASONS FOR DECISION</u> - It is a requirement of the management agreement that significant changes have prior consent of the Council. the proposed restructure provides a robust structure for delivering housing services.</p> <p><u>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED</u> - None</p> <p>Please note that this was not a Key Decision and so can be implemented with immediate effect by officers.</p>
Item 12	The Management of Corporate Debt - Write-off of Outstanding Amounts - NOW PUBLISHED	<p><u>RESOLVED</u> - That Cabinet agreed to write off the amounts in respect of council tax, business rates and rents as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report.</p> <p><u>REASONS FOR DECISION</u> - All available options to recover this debt had been explored with write off being the final option in the debt management process.</p> <p><u>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED</u> – As set out in the report.</p> <p>Please note that this was not a Key Decision and so can be implemented with immediate effect by officers.</p>