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**Our reference:**  
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### **Record of Decisions taken by Cabinet – Tuesday, 8 June 2021**

At a meeting of the Cabinet held on Tuesday, 8 June 2021 the following decisions were reached on the items listed in the attached schedule.

**The implementation of any key decisions are suspended until the call-in period has expired without a call-in being validly invoked.**

**Under the Rushcliffe Borough Council Constitution, call-in is available in respect to key decisions only.**

The call-in deadline for any key decisions contained in this Decision Notice is before the end of the working day on Thursday, 17 June 2021. Subject to any call-in request being received, all the decisions will be actioned after Thursday, 17 June 2021.

Any Member of the Council shall be entitled to call for a decision to be suspended. To effect the call-in procedure, the appropriate form should be completed and returned to the Chief Executive by the end of the working day on Thursday, 17 June 2021.

### **COVID -19 MEMORIALS**

**It was RESOLVED that:**

- a) the creation a public memorial garden in Bridgford Park, West Bridgford as a shared place to commemorate people who have lost their lives in Rushcliffe due to the COVID-19 pandemic be approved;
- b) the creation of a temporary art installation / display at Rushcliffe Arena to recognise the contribution that keyworkers, community groups and volunteers from across the Borough have made to the local pandemic response be approved; and
- c) support for town and parish memorials and remembrance activities, led directly by town and parish councils be approved, incorporating:
  - i) the creation of a COVID-19 commemorations grant scheme; and
  - ii) the distribution of spring bulbs for memorial planting schemes in parishes.

## **REASON FOR DECISIONS**

The coronavirus pandemic has had a significant impact on Rushcliffe's local population and economy, and the measures introduced to control transmission have resulted in an extended period of time where schools and businesses were closed, large proportions of those in employment were furloughed or changed to working from home, and there were significant changes to the design and delivery of public services. There was also unprecedented disruption to community, recreational and cultural activities. By delivering a series of memorial activities, Rushcliffe Borough Council will support recognition of the impact of the virus on local communities, commemorating the loss but also celebrating the many individuals and groups who supported the pandemic response.

## **LEVELLING UP FUNDING AND IDENTIFICATION OF COUNCIL OWNED LAND, EAST LEAKE**

**It was RESOLVED that:**

- a) the use of the Council-owned land shown in Appendix A of the report for the delivery of a new community hub including a health centre in East Leake, subject to relevant permissions (including planning) and surveys, be supported;
- b) the preparation of the LUF application to Government for funding towards a community hub and improved sports pavilion on Costock Road in East Leake be supported; and
- c) the inclusion of the value of the land shown in Appendix A of the report as match funding to support a LUF application, with the appropriate safeguards included in the agreements with partners, to ensure that the land is only used for these purposes be approved.

## **REASON FOR DECISIONS**

East Leake has grown significantly over the past few years and will continue to grow, and due to the nature of the development, the associated infrastructure is having to catch up with the increase in population.

The Nottinghamshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) has identified East Leake as the top priority in Nottinghamshire for investment, as the existing health centre is not fit for purpose and additional capacity is required. In addition, there is the opportunity to bring some services together to create a new community hub, with the potential to part fund the ambitious project through the Levelling up Funding.

## **PETITION: COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW**

### **It was RESOLVED that:**

- a) Rushcliffe Borough Council's commitment to working collaboratively with Bingham Town Council to achieve the best outcomes for residents in response to the petition be confirmed;
- b) a cross-party Cabinet-led Member Working Group be set up to consider the request contained within the petition for a Community Governance Review in Bingham;
- c) the Member Working Group report back to Cabinet by September 2021, with its views and suggested Terms of Reference on resolution a) above;
- d) the Chief Executive writes to Bingham Town Council and Nottinghamshire County Council sharing the contents of this report and setting out what is agreed by Cabinet; and
- e) the Member Working Group be supported by the Chief Executive, the Monitoring Officer, and external independent peer and legal support.

## **REASON FOR DECISIONS**

A petition has been received calling for the Borough Council to undertake a Community Governance Review in Bingham. However, the Council needs to consider, with advice, whether the request contained within the petition is in all of the circumstances appropriate before determining a suitable course of action. This report does not seek to pass judgment on the contents of the petition but rather proposes the next steps so that Councillors can come to an informed, positive and productive decision in September 2021.

## **RUDDINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

### **It was RESOLVED that:**

- a) all of the Examiner's recommended modifications to the Ruddington Neighbourhood Plan be accepted;
- b) the Ruddington Neighbourhood Plan Decision Statement and its publication be approved;
- c) the holding of a referendum for the Ruddington Neighbourhood Plan, with the area for the referendum being the Parish of Ruddington be approved; and
- d) the Director – Development and Economic Growth be granted delegated authority to make any necessary final minor textual, graphical and presentational changes required to the referendum version of the

Ruddington Neighbourhood Plan.

## **REASON FOR DECISIONS**

The Borough Council, as Local Planning Authority, has a statutory duty to assist in the production of Neighbourhood Plans where communities wish to produce them under the Localism Act 2011.

The Plan is now in a position to be put to referendum in Ruddington Parish in accordance with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011.

## **REVISED MOBILE HOMES FEES POLICY 2021-2024**

**It was RESOLVED that** the adoption of a fit and proper person test and Mobile Homes Fees Policy for 2021-2024 be approved.

## **REASON FOR DECISIONS**

To update the Council's Mobile Homes Policy, to reflect the Mobile Homes (Requirement for Manager of Site to be Fit and Proper Person) (England) Regulations 2020, which will come into force in July 2021.

## **PLANNING COMMITTEE PROPOSALS PILOT**

**It was RESOLVED that:**

- a) the proposals set out be piloted for six months from August 2021;
- b) the pilot proposals be included in the Council's Constitution (where necessary) and presented at Full Council on 1 July 2021; and
- c) a further report be brought to Cabinet after six months to consider the findings of the pilot period, with recommendations for Planning Committee changes going forward.

## **REASON FOR DECISIONS**

Planning Committee is a fundamental part of the democratic transparency of Development Management decision making, and it is important to ensure that it is efficient and effective with a focus on strategic planning decisions that impact the Borough.

The proposals will ensure workflow is maintained and statutory deadlines are met, as a failure to do either of these creates a backlog of applications and opens the Council up to challenge for non-determination and appeals which are costly. Committee members and planning officers also have a finite resource and it is imperative that they are effectively directed.

The proposals also aim to build strong working relationships between Councillors and planning officers, in order to develop a better understanding of each other's perspective and the decision making framework.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Sull', written in a cursive style.

**Sanjit Sull**  
**Monitoring Officer**