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**DECISIONS OF THE DORSET COUNCIL - CABINET  
5 MAY 2020**

The following decisions were made by the Cabinet on 5 May 2020 and will come into force and may be implemented on unless the decision is called in for scrutiny.

In accordance with the council's constitution, any six members of the same relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee may request the Monitoring Officer to 'call-in' a decision for scrutiny. The Monitoring Officer will be provided with written notice that will identify the decision to be called-in and the ground for the call-in when the request is made. If satisfied that there are reasonable grounds for the proposed call-in, the Monitoring Officer will notify the decision-maker of the call-in within 5 clear working days. The deadline for this request is **14 May 2020**

The full call-in procedure is set out in the Constitution or for further information and advice please telephone Kate Critchel on 01305 252234

## **7 COVID-19 RESPONSE**

### **Decision**

- (a) That the Council's response to the Covid emergency response is noted;
- (b) That all Council staff be thanked for their part in responding to the emergency;
- (c) That this report is referred to the Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee for members to consider the effectiveness of Dorset Council's response and
- (d) That the focus of the work of the Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee be to learn from Dorset Council's experience of responding to the Covid-19 emergency and not to scrutinise the effectiveness of other agencies and any decisions which are rightly the responsibility of the Council's partners.

### **Reason for the Decision**

To ensure that cabinet are fully informed and assured of the way that services have been managed under the Council's response to the COVID-19 pandemic to date.

## **8 APPROVAL FOR THE TRANSFER OF ASSETS TO PORTLAND TOWN COUNCIL**

### **Decision**

- (a) That the assets listed in Appendix A of the report of 5 May 2020 be transferred freehold to Portland Town Council at less than best consideration with no clawback provisions.
- (b) That the assets listed in Appendix B of the report of 5 May 2020 be transferred leasehold to Portland Town Council at less than best consideration with covenants to retain control of future use and ownership.
- (c) That the right to work the minerals be excluded on all transferring assets.
- (d) For Dorset Council to keep control of the Verne Common including areas covered by High Level Stewardship agreement and be able to licence the Town Council to hold suitable events.
- (e) That discussions with the Crown Estate and Portland Town Council progress to relinquish the management of assets currently managed by Dorset Council and owned by the Crown Estate.
- (f) That authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Place in conjunction with the Portfolio Holder for Commercial, Finance and Assets to make changes to the above.

### **Reason for the decision**

To confirm the assets to be transferred and the basis of transfers to Portland Town Council.

Weymouth & Portland Borough Council carried out services which are more typically that of a Town Council, such as allotments and parks. Prior to the formation of Dorset Council some services and assets were agreed to be transferred to Weymouth & Portland Town Councils. Transfers to Weymouth Town Council were dealt with as part of the formation of Weymouth Town Council. Portland Town Council already existed and therefore the asset transfer process is required to be completed separately.

Member authority is required to transfer assets (some with values reported in excess of £100,000) at less than best consideration, ie at less than market value.

## **9 TRANSFORMING CITIES FUND (TCF) DELIVERY**

Decision

- (a) That, in principle, the proposed three-year delivery programme in line with the TCF Strategic Outline Business Case, already approved by Cabinet, and guidance set out by the DfT in the Assurance Framework, be approved;
- (b) That the proposed Governance Framework be approved and authority be delegated to the Head of Highways in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Highways, Travel and the Environment through the TCF Council Governance Board (CGB), for approval of future TCF proposals, detailed programme delivery decisions and the detailed design of each element of the programme;
- (c) That the principle of regular TCF update reports going to the CGB and from there to DfT as stipulated within point 8 of the award letter, with consideration of Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) associated with the programme being considered in line with current Dorset Council approvals, be approved.

### **Reason for Recommendation:**

The delegations are designed to:

- (i) Allow maximum flexibility in meeting the strict DfT timeline for delivery over the next three years, with appropriate Dorset Council approvals in place.
- (ii) To ensure that the authority is best placed to progress scheme delivery at the pace required to meet the funding profiles set by the DfT.

## **10 JURASSIC COAST PARTNERSHIP PLAN 2020 - 2025 AND FUTURE FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE JURASSIC COAST TRUST**

Decision

- (a) That the Cabinet Jurassic Coast Partnership Plan 2020 - 2025 be adopted;

- (b) That the current funding contribution made to the Jurassic Coast Trust continue until to March 2023.
- (c) That with the Portfolio Holder for Highways, Travel and Environment, authority be delegated to the Executive Director of Corporate Development (Section 151 Officer) to approve a new funding agreement with the Jurassic Coast Trust.

### **Reason for Decision**

The Jurassic Coast Partnership Plan and Dorset Council's continued support of the Jurassic Coast Trust helps us to deliver a number of actions outlined in the Corporate Plan in an effective and cost efficient way; delivering services that protect our natural, historic and cultural environments, capitalising on Dorset's unique environmental assets to support our priorities and providing an environment that attracts business investment, tourism and a skilled workforce. The partnership plan enables us to meet UNESCO and UK Government requirements with regard to management of the World Heritage Site.

## **11 MAKING OF BRIDPORT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN 2020-2036**

### **Decision**

- (a) That the council make the Bridport Area Neighbourhood Plan (as set out in appendix A of the report to 5 May 2020) part of the statutory development plan for the Bridport Neighbourhood Area;
- (b) That the council offers its congratulations to Bridport Town Council and the Joint Council Committee in producing their neighbourhood plan.

### **Reason for Decision**

To formally adopt the Bridport Area Neighbourhood Plan as part of the statutory development plan for the Bridport Neighbourhood Area. In addition, to recognise the significant amount of work undertaken by the Joint Council Committee in preparing the neighbourhood plan, congratulating them on their success.

## **12 MAKING OF UPPER MARSHWOOD VALE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN 2018 TO 2033**

### **Decision**

- (a) That the council make the Upper Marshwood Vale Neighbourhood Plan (as set out in the appendix A of the report of 5 May 2020) part of the statutory development plan for the Upper Marshwood Vale Neighbourhood Area;
- (b) That the council offers its congratulations to Upper Marshwood Vale Neighbourhood Plan group in producing their neighbourhood plan.

### **Reason for Decision**

To formally adopt the Upper Marshwood Vale Neighbourhood Plan as par of the statutory development plan for the Upper Marshwood Vale Neighbourhood area. In addition, to

recognise the significant amount of work undertaken by the Upper Marshwood Vale Neighbourhood Plan group in preparing the neighbourhood plan, congratulating them on their success.

### **13 MAKING OF THE SUTTON POYNTZ NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN 2016 TO 2031**

Decision

- (a) That the council make the Sutton Poyntz Neighbourhood Plan (as set out in Appendix A of the report of 5 May 2020) part of the statutory development plan for the Sutton Poyntz Neighbourhood Area;
- (b) That the council offers its congratulations to Weymouth Town Council and the Sutton Poyntz Society in producing their neighbourhood plan.

#### **Reason for Decision**

To formally adopt the Sutton Poyntz Neighbourhood Plan as part of the statutory development plan for the Sutton Poyntz Neighbourhood Area. In addition, to recognise the significant amount of work undertaken by the Sutton Poyntz Society in preparing the neighbourhood plan, congratulating them on their success.

### **16 EXEMPT BUSINESS**

The following items was considered under exempt business

### **17 MAJOR WASTE DISPOSAL CONTRACTS FOLLOWING COMPETITIVE TENDER PROCESS**

Decision

That the award of the residual waste contract be approved.

#### **Reason for Decision**

To allow cost effective management of waste.