

## **CABINET**

MINUTES of a meeting of the Cabinet held on 2 October 2020 at Council Chamber, County Hall, Lewes

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PRESENT Councillors Keith Glazier (Chair)  
Councillors Nick Bennett (Vice Chair), Bill Bentley, Claire Dowling,  
Carl Maynard, Rupert Simmons, Bob Standley and Sylvia Tidy

Members spoke on the items indicated

Councillor Barnes	- item 6 (minute 24)
Councillor Bennett	- items 5 and 6 (minutes 23 and 24)
Councillor Charles Clark	- Item 6 (minute 24)
Councillor Godfrey Daniel	- item 6 (minute 24)
Councillor Philip Daniel	- items 5 and 6 (minutes 23 and 24)
Councillor Field	- item 6 (minute 24)
Councillor Stephen Shing	- item 6 (minute 24)
Councillor Shuttleworth	- item 6 (minute 24)
Councillor Standley	- item 5 (minute 23)
Councillor Swansborough	- item 6 (minute 24)
Councillor Tutt	- item 6 (minute 24)

### 22 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 14 JULY 2020

22.1 The minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 14 July 2020 were agreed as a correct record.

### 23 COUNCIL MONITORING: QUARTER 1 2020/21

23.1 The Cabinet considered a report by the Chief Executive.

23.2 It was RESOLVED to note the latest monitoring position for the Council.

Reason

23.3 The report sets out the Council's position and year end projections for the Council Plan targets, Revenue Budget, Capital Programme, Savings Plan together with Risks for 2020/21 quarter 1.

### 24 RECONCILING POLICY, PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES - UPDATE

24.1 The Cabinet considered a report by the Chief Executive.

24.2 It was RESOLVED to:

1. note the updated national policy context and local position as set out in paragraphs 2 and 3 and appendix 1;

2. agree the updated Council priority outcomes and delivery outcomes as the basis for ongoing planning (appendix 2);

3. agree the updated East Sussex Core Offer as the basis for ongoing planning (appendix 3);

4. agree the updated Medium Term Financial Plan as the basis for financial planning (appendix 5); and

5. agree to continue lobbying for a sustainable funding regime to meet the needs of the residents of East Sussex and which recognises the significant impact of COVID-19 on the Council's expenditure and income.

#### Reason

24.3 The report sets out our updated understanding of how we will need to reset our service and financial plans to deal with the future, as we continue to live with the reality of a world with COVID-19 and the significant impact this has on people's lives, as well as a fast-moving national policy agenda. In this rapidly evolving context it remains very challenging to quantify future need for services and national expectations for local government and to reflect these in our future service offer and financial planning. The report therefore provides our latest best assessment of the policy and financial context that will continue to inform our planning for 2021/22, and includes:

- updates on key national and local policy context developments since July;
- an update on the review of the Council's priority outcomes and delivery outcomes;
- an update on the review and reset of the East Sussex Core Offer;
- the updated Medium Term Financial Plan for 2021/22-2023/24; and
- updates to the Capital Programme.

#### 25 ITEMS TO BE REPORTED TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL

25.1 The Cabinet agreed that item 5 should be reported to the County Council.  
*[Note: The item being reported to the County Council refers to minute number 23]*