

## CABINET

MINUTES of a meeting of the Cabinet held at Council Chamber, County Hall, Lewes on 10 December 2024.

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PRESENT Councillors Keith Glazier (Chair), Nick Bennett (Vice Chair), Bob Bowdler, Penny di Cara, Claire Dowling, Carl Maynard and Bob Standley

Members spoke on the items indicated:

Councillor Bowdler	- item 6 (minute 34)
Councillor Cross	- item 6 (minute 34)
Councillor Daniel	- item 5 (minute 33)
Councillor Field	- item 6 (minute 34)
Councillor Swansborough	- item 5 (minute 33)
Councillor Tutt	- item 5 (minute 33)
Councillor Webb	- item 5 (minute 33)

### 31. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13 NOVEMBER 2024

31.1 The minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on the 13 November 2024 were agreed as a correct record.

### 32. REPORTS

32.1 Copies of the reports referred to below are included in the minute book.

### 33. COUNCIL MONITORING: QUARTER 2

33.1 The Cabinet considered a report by the Chief Executive.

33.2 It was RESOLVED to:

- 1) Note the latest monitoring position for the Council;
- 2) Approve the proposed amendment to the performance measure set out in paragraph 2.2 of the report and the proposed inclusion of additional performance measures set out in paragraph 2.3 of the report;
- 3) Note the updates to the Strategic Risk Register set out in paragraph 2.4 of the report; and
- 4) Approve the capital programme transfer to fund the advanced works in the Highways Structural Maintenance Core Programme set out in paragraph 3.4 of the report.

#### Reasons

33.3 The report sets out the Council's position and year-end projections for the Council Plan targets, Revenue Budget, Capital Programme, and Savings Plan, together with Risks at the end of September 2024.

34. THE LAC ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24

34.1 The Cabinet considered a report by the Director of Children's Services.

34.2 It was RESOLVED to note the annual progress report of Looked After Children's Services in 2023/24.

Reason

34.3 The report summarises the performance of Looked After Children's Services in 2023/24.

35. TREASURY MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REPORT AND MID-YEAR REPORT 2024

35.1 The Cabinet considered a report by the Chief Operating Officer.

35.2 It was RESOLVED to note the Treasury Management performance in 2023/24, incorporating the Mid-Year Review for the first half of 2024/25.

Reason

35.3 The report fulfils the requirement to submit an annual/half yearly report in the form prescribed in the Treasury Management Code of Practice. The key principles of security, liquidity and yield are still relevant. Officers are currently investigating further opportunities within the strategy to increase investment income whilst minimising costs and maintaining security.

36. ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FOR LEWES CHARITABLE TRUST

36.1 The Cabinet considered a report by the Director of Communities, Economy and Transport.

36.2 It was RESOLVED to:

- 1) Note the final accounts for 2023/24 for the Lewes Public Library and Museum Charitable Trust; and
- 2) Note that there are no issues that require any further action by the County Council as the Corporate Trustee.

Reason

36.3 The report fulfils the requirement for the annual accounts for the Lewes Public Library and Museum Charitable Trust to be submitted to the Cabinet.

37. TO AGREE WHICH ITEMS ARE TO BE REPORTED TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL

It was agreed that items 5 and 6 should be reported to the County Council.

*[Note: the items being reported to the County Council refer to minute numbers 33 and 34.]*