

Minutes of the **Cabinet**
of the **Test Valley Borough Council**
held in The Annexe, Crosfield Hall, Broadwater Road, Romsey
on Wednesday 13 March 2019 at 5.30 pm

Attendance:

Councillor P North (Chairman)

Councillor N Adams-King (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor P Bundy

Councillor D Drew

Councillor M Flood

Councillor G Stallard

Councillor A Ward

Also in attendance

Councillor A Dowden

Councillor C Dowden

Councillor S Hawke

Councillor I Jeffrey

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P Giddings

295 **Minutes of the meeting held on 13 February 2019**

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 13 February 2019 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

296 **Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 & Future of the Developmental Pilot**

Consideration was given to a report of the Housing and Environmental Health Portfolio Holder which recommended the Council continued to invest in new ways of working.

The recommendations within the report were intended to facilitate ongoing legal compliance and improved service delivery, through the adoption of a costed approach to investment using ring fenced government grants, and through the endorsement of a more explicit strategic approach to preventing and tackling rough sleeping in the local area.

Having considered the options and for the reasons set out in the report, Cabinet agreed to the following:

Resolved:

- 1. That Cabinet note Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 (HRA) compliance has been achieved and that initial evaluation of operations under the new statutory framework has been completed.**

2. **That Cabinet note the 12-month developmental pilot approved by Cabinet in March 2018 has been implemented and embedded, demonstrating significant successes at a time of increasing demand.**
3. **That Cabinet note experimental KPI targets will be amended for 2019/20 to reflect operational baseline experience during 2018/19.**
4. **That Cabinet approves the Council's draft Rough Sleeping Action Plan contained at Annex 1.**
5. **That the recommended Option 2 be approved.**
6. **That any items shown in Annex 2 to the report, which are unspent by 31 March 2020, be approved for carry forward into the 2020/21 revenue budget.**

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Corporate Plan 2019-2023

The Council's current Corporate Plan "Investing in Test Valley" was approved in 2015 and adopted for a four year period, to April 2019. A new draft proposed Corporate Plan had been developed for the next four years, 2019-2023.

The draft proposed Corporate Plan outlined the Council's priorities for Test Valley for the four year cycle of the newly elected Council. The Corporate Plan provided a focus for the services provided by the Council, informing decisions and the allocation of resources.

The plan had been developed using a robust evidence base, taking into account the views of local residents, external influences and statistical bases.

The draft proposed Corporate Plan outlined the Council's vision and priorities for the Borough over the next four years of the newly elected council. It set the direction and provided a focus for all the Council's projects and services. As a result it directly informed decision making and allocation of resources across the Council.

Having considered the options and for the reasons set out in the report, Cabinet agreed to the following:

Recommended:

1. **That the draft proposed Corporate Plan for 2019-2023 be approved.**
2. **That the Policy Manager, in consultation with the Leader, be authorised to make changes of a minor nature to improve the presentation of the document and correct typographical errors prior to publication.**

(The meeting terminated at 5.54 pm)