

Minutes of the **Cabinet** meeting
of the **Test Valley Borough Council**
held virtually by Microsoft Teams
on Wednesday 10 March 2021 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 I Jeffrey
Councillor A Johnston
Councillor T Tasker

Also in attendance

Councillor I Andersen
Councillor D Baverstock
Councillor Z Brooks
Councillor T Burley

Councillor J Burnage
Councillor D Coole
Councillor C Dowden
Councillor V Harber

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Public Participation

There was no public participation.

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Declarations of Interest

Councillor Drew wished it to be noted that he was a Trustee of the Test Valley Arts Foundation, but that it did not constitute an interest.

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Urgent Items

There were no urgent items to consider.

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Minutes of the meeting held on 10 February 2021

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 10 February 2021 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

428 **Recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

There were no recommendations to consider from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

429 **Motion referred from Council - 27 January 2021**

Following the referral of this item from Council on the 27 January 2021, Councillor Coole, as original proposer, and Councillor Harber, as seconder, were invited to speak to the motion.

The Corporate Portfolio Holder thanked Councillors Coole, Harber and C Dowden for their contributions to the item and explained that although there were a number of existing initiatives in place both at a national and local level to tackle this issue, it was felt that officers should undertake a more detailed piece of work to better understand what support is currently available, how this can be accessed and where there might be any gaps in provision so that further support, if appropriate, might be highlighted.

Resolved:

- 1. That officers be requested to undertake a piece of work to clarify what support is currently available for those in period poverty.**
- 2. That a report be brought to a future meeting of Cabinet.**

430 **Andover Public Art Programme**

Test Valley Borough Council secured contributions for on-site public art at Picket Piece and Picket Twenty through Section 106 agreements.

The report of the Community and Leisure Portfolio Holder set out the procurement procedure that had been undertaken to select an artist to carry out the commission for each project, and requested authority to release sufficient funds to deliver the projects and award the contracts to the selected artists.

Contributions for off-site public art were also secured through section 106 agreements for East Anton. The report set out the proposals for the project this would support in Andover town centre and requested authority to release sufficient funds to deliver the projects in this financial year.

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

Recommended:

1. That £27,000 be added to the Capital Programme for on-site public art in respect of the public art commission for Picket Piece in Andover, to be fully funded by Section 106 developer contributions.
2. To award the contract for Picket Piece to Svetlana Kondakova.
3. That £69,000 be added to the Capital Programme for on-site public art in respect of the public art commission for Picket Twenty in Andover, to be fully funded by Section 106 developer contributions.
4. To award the contract for Picket Twenty to Tim Ward of Circling the Square.
5. That £50,000 be allocated from Section 106 contributions for off-site public art in respect of the public art programme for Andover Town Centre.

431 Test Valley Borough Local Plan 2011-2029 - Five Year Review

The report of the Planning Portfolio Holder sought approval for the five year review of the Test Valley Borough Local Plan 2011-2029 and for this to be published.

With the support of the Planning Advisory Service (PAS) the review had been undertaken by the Council through preparing an assessment using relevant parts of the PAS Local Plan Toolkit. This assessment had then been subject to review by independent consultants appointed by PAS to assist the Council.

The outcome of the five year review would assist in informing how preparation of the next Local Plan, which had commenced, now moves forward to the formal consultation stages.

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

Resolved:

1. That the five year review of the Test Valley Borough Local Plan 2011-2029 Annexes to the report be approved and published in accordance with Regulation 10A The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended).
2. That the Head of Planning Policy and Economic Development, in consultation with the Planning Portfolio Holder be delegated to carry out amendments of a minor nature to improve the presentation of the documents and correct any typographical errors.

432 Hurstbourne Tarrant Village Design Statement Supplementary Planning Document

A Village Design Statement had been prepared for the Parish of Hurstbourne Tarrant and submitted for consideration for adoption as a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD). The Council had undertaken a formal public consultation in order to meet the requirements of a SPD in line with the relevant regulations and guidance.

The report of the Planning Portfolio Holder set out a summary of the comments received and the Council's response as set out in Annex 2 to the report. This included amendments which were recommended in light of these comments. The VDS was considered appropriate for adoption, subject to inclusion of these amendments.

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

Recommended:

- 1. That the Hurstbourne Tarrant Village Design Statement (attached as Annex 1 to the report) to the report be adopted as a Supplementary Planning Document to provide design guidance for the Parish of Hurstbourne Tarrant.**
- 2. That the Head of Planning Policy and Economic Development, in consultation with the Planning Portfolio Holder be delegated to carry out amendments of a minor nature to improve the presentation of the document and correct any typographical errors.**

433 Write off of uncollectable debts

The report of the Finance Portfolio Holder sought approval for the write off of two business rates debts above the £25,000 threshold that had proved to be uncollectable and for which there was little or no prospect of future recovery.

The Finance Portfolio Holder explained that it is inevitable that it will be necessary to write off certain amounts as uncollectable when businesses go into liquidation / individuals declare themselves bankrupt with arrears owed to the Council.

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

Resolved:

That the debts detailed in the report, totalling £59,673, be written off in the Council's accounts as uncollectable.

434 Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) - Allocation of CIL Funds

The report of the Planning Portfolio Holder set out a summary of the bids received during April-June 2020, an evaluation of each project, and Funding recommendations made for each project.

The Planning Portfolio Holder brought to Members' attention a typographical error to bullet point 2 of the recommendation in that the CIL funding should have been recommended for King John's House and Signage rather than Longparish Playground Redevelopment.

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

Recommended:

That the following projects are approved for CIL funding:

- **Stockbridge Travel to School Plan – £95,000**
- **King John's House and Signage – £36,500**

(The meeting terminated at 6.30 pm)