

Minutes of the **Cabinet**
of the **Test Valley Borough Council**
held in The Annexe, Crosfield Hall, Broadwater Road, Romsey
on Wednesday 18 August 2021 at 5.30 pm

Attendance:

Councillor P North (Chairman)

Councillor N Adams-King (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor D Drew
Councillor M Flood

Councillor I Jeffrey
Councillor T Tasker

Also in attendance

Councillor D Baverstock
Councillor M Cooper
Councillor A Dowden

Councillor C Dowden
Councillor N Gwynne
Councillor J Parker

Apologies for absence Councillor A Johnston

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Public Participation

No members of the public had registered to speak.

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Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

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Urgent Items

There were no urgent items.

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Minutes

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 23 June 2021 be confirmed and signed as a true record.

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Recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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

139 **Government Covid Grant Funding Scheme – Welcome Back Fund**

Consideration was given to a report of the Community and Leisure Portfolio Holder which sought authority to allocate the £112,403 funding available for Test Valley to the 'Welcome Back Fund'.

In answer to a question The Community and Leisure Portfolio Holder reported that the allocation of the funding was broadly based on population. He was also supportive of the request that the Economic Development Portfolio Holder and the Economic Development Officer would be consulted on the allocation of Funding and confirmed that consultation would be carried out with the Romsey Town Council and Romsey Future.

The Council has received an allocation of £112,403 of Welcome Back Funding. The fund intended to allow and enable local authorities in England to put in place additional measures to create and promote a safe environment for local trade, tourism, particularly in the High Streets, as their economies reopen.

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

Resolved:

That the Head of Community and Leisure, in consultation with the Head of Finance and Revenues, be authorised to allocate Test Valley Borough Council's allocation of the "Welcome Back Fund" as described in paragraph 6.2 of the report.

140 **Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) - Allocation of CIL funds**

Consideration was given to a report of the Planning Portfolio Holder which set out a summary of the bids received for CIL funding during September-November 2020, an evaluation of each project and funding recommendations for each project.

The Planning Portfolio Holder reported that 7 projects were submitted and 6 of those projects were approved using the criteria approved by Cabinet on the 18 October 2017 and adopted by Council on the 8 November 2017.

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

Recommended:

That the applications for CIL funding set out in the report are determined in accordance with the recommendations contained in paragraph 3 and release of £1,202,808 be authorised.

(The meeting terminated at 6.02 pm)