

Minutes of the **Cabinet**
of the **Test Valley Borough Council**
held in Conference Room 1, Beech Hurst, Weyhill Road, Andover SP10 3AJ
on 11 May 2022 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 T Tasker

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Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor A Johnston.

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Public Participation

There was no public participation.

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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 of the meeting held on 30 March 2022

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 20 March 2022 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

590 **Recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee:**
None

There were no recommendations from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

591 **New Forest National Park Partnership Plan 2022-2027**

Consideration was given to a report of the Strategic Regeneration and Partnerships (South) Portfolio Holder which set out the New Forest National Park Partnership Plan

2022-2027 which had been produced jointly by a partnership group comprising statutory bodies which covered the national park, including Test Valley Borough Council, following public consultation.

The New Forest National Park Authority had a statutory duty to prepare a partnership plan which was an overarching strategic document for the National Park and set the framework for more detailed plans and strategies prepared by the National Park Authority and partner organisations. The plan identified the priority actions for the next five years.

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

Resolved:

That the New Forest National Park Partnership Plan 2022-2027 (Annex to the report) be endorsed by the Council, as a main partner organisation of the National Park Authority.

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Annual Governance Statement 2021/22

Consideration was given to a report of the Finance and Resources Portfolio Holder which sought approval for the Annual Governance Statement, which accompanied the 2021/22 Statement of Accounts.

On the basis of Internal Audit work completed in 2021/22, the Internal Audit Manager has provided a “substantial assurance” opinion in respect of the Council’s risk management, control and governance arrangements.

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

Recommended:

That the Annual Governance Statement for 2021/22 be approved and that the Leader and Chief Executive be authorised to sign it on behalf of the Council.

(The meeting terminated at 5.45 pm)