

CABINET

Minutes of the meeting held on 8 March 2018 commencing at 7.00 pm

Present: Cllr. Fleming (Chairman)
Cllr. Lowe (Vice Chairman)
Cllrs. Dickins, Firth, Hogarth, Piper and Scholey
Cllrs. Eyre, Hunter and Pett were also present.

76. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held on 8 February 2018 be approved and signed as a correct record.

77. Declarations of interest

Cllr Firth declared a non-pecuniary interest in Item 81 as a trustee of West Kent Mind. There were no additional declarations of interest.

78. Questions from Members

There were no questions from Members.

79. Matters referred from Council, Audit Committee, Scrutiny Committee or Cabinet Advisory Committees

There were none.

80. Annual Review of Parking Management Arrangements for 2018/19

The Portfolio Holder for Direct and Trading Services presented the report which informed Members of the outcome of the public consultation on the annual review of parking management arrangements for 2018-19, which proposed a simplification of charges in the Council's Sevenoaks town car parks and a reduction in the charging period both on and off street in Sevenoaks town.

The first proposal was to reduce the daily charging period in Sevenoaks town from the existing 8.30am to 9.30pm to 8.30am to 8.30pm. The second proposal was to dispense with the £1 evening charge operating from 6.30pm to 9.30pm, applying the daily tariff through the day, from 8.30am to 8.30pm. All other tariffs were to be frozen for 2018/19.

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Cabinet was presented with an analysis and summary of the consultation responses. The consultation had been advertised locally on signs erected in car parks and on the Council's website.

Resolved: That following consideration of the responses to the public consultation, the revised parking management arrangements for 2018-9 be agreed.

81. Community Grant Scheme Draft Allocations 2018/19

The Portfolio Holder for Economic and Community Development presented the report which set out information about the Community Grant Scheme and summarised applications received by the Council from voluntary organisation for funding during 2018/19. The Economic and Community Development Advisory Committee had noted the same report and recommended it for approval.

Cllr Firth declared a non-pecuniary interest in this item as a trustee of West Kent Mind.

Public Sector Equality Duty

Members noted that consideration had been given to impacts under the Public Sector Equality Duty.

Resolved: That grants, as set out in Appendix C to the report, be approved subject to organisations subject to the following conditions:

- (i) that performance indicators as set out in the application forms are adhered to and monitored;
- (ii) that appropriate Safeguarding policies and arrangements are in place, where necessary;
- (iii) that appropriate recognition of this Council's funding contribution is made in all their publicity; and
- (iv) where services are provided over a wider area than the District boundaries, organisations will be required to hold grant aid from this Council in a restricted fund for the benefit of Sevenoaks District residents;
- (v) that organisations funded either have or are working towards any quality accreditation.

82. Local Citizens' Advice Service Level Agreement

The Portfolio Holder for Economic and Community Development presented the report which set out details of the proposed Service Level Agreement for Local Citizen's Advice in the District and sought approval for funding to support their work over the next three financial years until 2021. He advised that changes had been incorporated into the draft Service Level Agreement set out in Appendix A to reflect the needs of the new Homelessness Reduction Act and altered monitoring

arrangements. The Economic and Community Development Advisory Committee had considered the same report and agreed to recommend it for approval.

Public Sector Equality Duty

Members noted that consideration had been given to impacts under the Public Sector Equality Duty.

Resolved: That the draft Service Level Agreement for 2018/21, as set out at Appendix A to the report, be agreed.

CHANGE IN AGENDA ITEM ORDER

With Cabinet's agreement, the Chairman advised that he would take agenda item 9 next (Minute 83).

83. Strategic Assessment Update

The Portfolio Holder for Economic and Community Development presented a report which set out the results of the Strategic Assessment for 2016/17 and showed the trends for crimes in the District.

The Community Safety Manager set out that the Strategic Assessment was compiled by the Community Safety Partnership using a variety of sources and was used to identify local priorities for the annual Community Safety and Action Plan. She set out that there had been a change in the way that crime was recorded and indicated that those changes were summarised in the Strategic Assessment.

The Economic and Community Development Advisory Committee had considered the same report and noted it.

Public Sector Equality Duty

Members noted that consideration had been given to impacts under the Public Sector Equality Duty.

Resolved: That the report be noted.

84. Sevenoaks District Community Safety Strategy and Action Plan 2018-19

The Portfolio Holder for Economic and Community Development presented a report which looked at the Community Safety Strategy and Action Plan, taking into account the community safety priorities identified in the most recent Strategic Assessment. The action plan would determine the multi-agency work undertaken in the District to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour and increase feelings of safety.

The Community Safety Manager indicated that the Strategic Assessment undertaken in December 2017 had identified seven Community Safety Priorities for

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the District. Members indicated that they would have liked information on how many Sevenoaks District residents were imprisoned. They also indicated that they would be interested in meeting the Area Police Commander to discuss issues arising.

The Economic and Community Development Advisory Committee had considered the same report and agreed to recommend it for approval.

Public Sector Equality Duty

Members noted that consideration had been given to impacts under the Public Sector Equality Duty.

Resolved: That the Community Safety Strategy and Action Plan for 2018-19, be approved.

THE MEETING WAS CONCLUDED AT 7.39 PM

CHAIRMAN

IMPLEMENTATION OF DECISIONS

This notice was published on 9 March 2018. The decisions contained in Minutes 80, 81 and 84 take effect on 19 March 2018. The decisions contained in Minutes 82 and 83 take effect immediately.