

Meeting POLICY COMMITTEE

Date Wednesday 18 October 2017 (commencing at 10.30 am)

**membership**

Persons absent are marked with `A`

**COUNCILLORS**

Mrs Kay Cutts MBE (Chairman)

Reg Adair (Vice-Chairman)

Chris Barnfather  
Joyce Bosnjak  
Richard Butler  
John Cottee  
Samantha Deakin  
Kate Foale  
Steve Garner  
Glynn Gilfoyle  
Richard Jackson

Tony Harper  
Philip Owen  
John Peck JP  
Mike Pringle  
Alan Rhodes  
Stuart Wallace  
Muriel Weisz  
Jason Zadrozny

**OTHER COUNCILLORS IN ATTENDANCE**

Nicki Brooks  
Steve Carr  
Kevin Greaves

Errol Henry JP  
Diana Meale  
Liz Plant

**OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Anthony May	Chief Executive
David Pearson	Adult Social Care, Health and Public Protection
Colin Pettigrew	Children, Families and Cultural Services
Adrian Smith Jas Hundal Nicola McCoy-Brown Sara Williams	} Place
Carl Bilbey Martin Done Keith Ford Jayne Francis-Ward Michelle Welsh	} Resources

**MINUTES**

The Minutes of the last meeting held on 13 September 2017, having been previously circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

## **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

The following temporary change of membership, for this meeting only, was reported:-

- Councillor Tony Harper replaced Councillor Bruce Laughton

## **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS**

Councillor Tony Harper declared a private interest in agenda items 12 and 16 – White Hill Park Federation Trust – Transfer of Land and Exempt Appendix, in relation to his personal connections with this academy, which did not preclude him from discussing or voting on those items.

Councillor Richard Jackson declared a private interest in agenda items 12 and 16 – White Hill Park Federation Trust – Transfer of Land and Exempt Appendix, in relation to his personal connections with this academy, which did not preclude him from discussing or voting on those items.

## **FUTURES ADVICE, SKILLS AND EMPLOYMENT GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS**

### **RESOLVED: 2017/056**

- 1) That the transfer of internal 'ownership' of Futures Advice, Skills and Employment (Futures) from the Service Director of Commissioning, Resources and Culture in Children, Families and Cultural Services to the Service Director for Investment and Growth within the Place Directorate be noted.
- 2) That it be noted that the contract management of existing services delivered for and paid by the Council for children's services would remain with existing contract holders.
- 3) That the political representation on the Futures Board be placed with a combination of Members - one from Communities and Place Committee and one from Children and Young People's Committee.
- 4) That the outcome of the strategic review of Futures' relationship with the Council be noted and the Council seek to identify opportunities to work with Futures in order to continue building an employment and skills focused partnership aligned to the County Council's Place Plan implementation, which will enable greater utilisation of the intelligence held within Futures (the aim of which was to enable Futures to successfully bid for funding that enables greater impact on Nottinghamshire residents and businesses as well as aiding the organisation's long-term sustainability).

## **MIDLANDS ENGINE VISION FOR GROWTH**

### **RESOLVED: 2017/057**

That Policy Committee receives an update on the outcome of the submission of the Vision for Growth to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government.

## **THE BUDGET PROCESS FOR 2018/19, BUDGET CONSULTATION 2018/10 AND THE RESIDENTS SURVEY 2017**

### **RESOLVED: 2017/058**

- 1) That the budget process and timetable for the 2018/19 budget, as set out in the report, be approved.
- 2) That the budget consultation process for 2018/19, as set out in the report, be approved.
- 3) That the questions and methodology for the annual residents survey, as set out in the report, be approved.

## **COUNTY COUNCILS NETWORK ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2017**

### **RESOLVED: 2017/059**

That approval be given for the Leader, Deputy Leader and Leader of the Main Opposition Group and one Chief Officer to attend the County Councils Network Conference in Marlow, Buckinghamshire from 19-21 November 2017, together with any necessary travel and accommodation arrangements.

## **LATEST ESTIMATED COST - EARLY YEARS 30 HOURS PROGRAMME 2017**

During discussions, Members requested further information about the decision-making around this funding and the role which Councillors had played within that.

### **RESOLVED: 2017/060**

That the Latest Estimated Cost report for the building works at Holgate Primary and Nursery School and Robert Mellors Primary and Nursery School be approved and the variation to the capital programme be approved.

## **BIOMASS BOILERS IN COUNTY COUNCIL PROPERTIES**

During discussions, Members requested clarification as to whether the biomass boiler at Abbey Gates Primary School had been replaced.

### **RESOLVED: 2017/061**

- 1) That future replacement be determined based on assessments of risk, operational effectiveness and economic life.
- 2) That the feasibility study, as outlined within the report, be commissioned.
- 3) That a further report be presented to Policy Committee on the results of the feasibility study.

## **ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR A REPLACEMENT PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL IN BESTWOOD**

Following initial discussions it was agreed that the decision on this item should be taken under the exempt appendix item on the agenda.

## **DISPOSAL OF LAND AT BROOMHILL FARM, NOTTINGHAM ROAD, HUCKNALL**

**RESOLVED: 2017/062**

That approval be given to enter into an exclusivity agreement with the preferred bidder for a period of 3 months on terms outlined in the exempt appendix.

## **WHITE HILLS PARK FEDERATION TRUST – TRANSFER OF LAND**

In line with Committee Procedure Rule 49, the Chairman of the Committee gave consent to Councillor Carr to speak at the meeting in relation to this item which affected his division.

**RESOLVED: 2017/063**

- 1) That the sale of the Council's freehold of Poly 1 and 2b, as outlined within the report, be approved.
- 2) That the acceptance of land west of plot 2b as a future expansion site for Bramcote Primary School be approved.
- 3) That a development agreement with White Hills Park Federation Trust and Cornerstone be established to facilitate a joint planning application for plots 1 and 4, as outlined in the report.
- 4) That a further report be submitted to Policy Committee, outlining in detail the proposed design layout of the development and implications for future funding to implement the approved planning permission.

## **NOTTINGHAMSHIRE DELEGATION TO CHINA – SEPTEMBER 2017**

**RESOLVED: 2017/064**

That, as a means of developing the Friendship Agreement between Nottinghamshire County Council and the People's Government of Zhejiang:-

- a) the proposed activities set out in paragraph 14 of the report be undertaken by Nottinghamshire County Council;
- b) the proposed activities for delivery by other partners be endorsed.

## **WORK PROGRAMME**

**RESOLVED: 2017/065**

That no further changes were required to the work programme.

## **EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC**

### **RESOLVED: 2017/066**

That the public be excluded for the remainder of the meeting on the grounds that the discussions were likely to involve disclosure of exempt information described in paragraph 3 of the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006 and the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information

## **ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR A REPLACEMENT PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL IN BESTWOOD – EXEMPT APPENDIX**

During discussions it was agreed that clarification of access issues to the site (both during the construction phase and thereafter) should be made public.

### **RESOLVED: 2017/067**

- 1) That approval be given to the acquisition of land on terms outlined in the exempt appendix.
- 2) That the information set out in the exempt appendix be noted.

## **DISPOSAL OF LAND AT BROOMHILL FARM, NOTTINGHAM ROAD, HUCKNALL – EXEMPT APPENDIX**

### **RESOLVED: 2017/068**

That the contents of the exempt appendix be noted.

## **WHITE HILLS PARK FEDERATION TRUST – TRANSFER OF LAND – EXEMPT APPENDIX**

### **RESOLVED: 2017/069**

That the information and documentation set out in the exempt appendix be noted.

The meeting closed at 12.17 pm.

CHAIRMAN