

Ashfield District Council – Decisions taken by the Cabinet on Tuesday, 21 June 2022

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Item 3	Minutes	RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 29 March 2022 be received and approved as a correct record.
Item 9	Scrutiny Review: Climate Change Mitigation	<p>RESOLVED that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Cabinet supports the approval of a proposed target of net-zero by 2030 for the Council's Scope 1 and 2 emissions, as recommended in the Climate Change Strategy report; b) Cabinet also supports the approval of proposals to minimise Scope 3 emissions by 2050, as recommended in the Climate Change Strategy report; c) approval of the Climate Change Strategy, Climate Change Action Plan, and Carbon Management Plan, as recommended in the Climate Change Strategy report, be supported and welcomed; d) the Council continues to ensure an increase in the number of electric charging points available to the Council and the wider public; e) the Council continues its commitment towards the expansion of a greener transport fleet; f) the Council continue to invest appropriately in renewable technology opportunities; g) low carbon and sustainable procurement across the Council, be promoted; h) Cabinet continues to support tree planting schemes throughout Ashfield; i) Cabinet continues to support and promote energy saving initiatives to Ashfield residents;

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		<p>j) in addition to the Green Rewards Scheme, the Council will continue to consider other targeted recognition initiatives aimed at communities, educational institutions, and businesses to increase innovation, action, and awareness in Ashfield;</p> <p>k) work be undertaken with schools and community groups to improve knowledge and understanding of climate change mitigation;</p> <p>l) the Council explores the possibility of establishing wildlife friendly verges across the District as part of the Council’s commitment to supporting nature and wildlife;</p> <p>m) the Council continues to ensure that local businesses and communities are involved in implementing the key objectives set out within the Climate Change Strategy</p> <p>n) it be agreed that Scrutiny Panel B receives an update on implementation and progress of the Climate Change Strategy and associated initiatives, on a bi-annual basis.</p>
Item 10	Climate Change Strategy	<p>RESOLVED that the following be approved:</p> <p>a) a proposed target of net-zero by 2030 for the Council’s Scope 1 and 2 emissions</p> <p>b) proposals to minimise Scope 3 emissions by 2050, as outlined in the report;</p> <p>c) proposals for the Council to work with the wider community to reduce Ashfield’s overall carbon footprint with the aim of reaching net zero by 2050, in line with national targets;</p>

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		<p>d) the following documents as presented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate Change Strategy • Carbon Management Plan; <p>e) publication on the Council’s website of the Carbon Management Plan and Climate Change Strategy.</p>
Item 4	Corporate Plan, Strategic Direction Refresh and Year End Position 2021/22	<p>RESOLVED that</p> <p>a) having reviewed the levels of performance and delivery achieved against the Corporate Plan and Corporate Scorecard, as at year-end 2021/22, progress be received and noted;</p> <p>b) the Corporate Plan Refresh and revised Strategic Direction, as presented, be approved;</p> <p>c) the Chief Executive be authorised, in consultation with the Leader, to review and revise the Corporate and Place Scorecards, aligned to the Corporate Plan.</p>
Item 5	Local Government Association Recovery & Renewal Panel - Key Reflections	<p>RESOLVED that</p> <p>a) the Local Government Association Recovery and Renewal Panel Key Reflections, as presented, be received, noted and reported to the next meeting of the Council;</p> <p>b) the proposed Next Steps, as outlined in the report, be endorsed.</p>
Item 6	Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 and Investigatory Powers Commissioner's Office Inspection Update	<p>RESOLVED that</p> <p>a) it be noted that the Council has not applied for an authorisation to carry out Directed Surveillance in the past 12 months pursuant to the RIPA powers;</p>

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		<p>b) the outcome of the Investigatory Powers Commissioner’s Office (IPCO) inspection on 9 March 2022, in particular that the Council has demonstrated a good level of compliance, be received and noted;</p> <p>c) the action plan attached at Appendix 1, be approved.</p>
Item 7	Teversal Community Centre and Recreation Ground (Teversal Grange) (Charity Number 522310)	<p>RESOLVED that</p> <p>a) the detailed update, as outlined within the report, be received and noted;</p> <p>b) in respect of land, described as on the North Side of Fackley Road, Teversal being 1.97 acres, (shown as “D” on Appendix 2), approval be given to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • authorise the Director of Legal and Governance and the Service Manager, Commercial Development in consultation with the Executive Lead Member for Finance, Revenues and Benefits to negotiate and agree terms with the Coal Authority regarding the removal of restrictions; and • dispose in principle to Teversal Sports and Recreation Trust in the event all outstanding issues are resolved and CISWO and Charity Commission approvals are obtained for the transfer of the Trust held land to the Teversal Sports and Recreation Trust authorising the Director of Legal and Governance and the Service Manager, Commercial Development in consultation with the Executive Lead Member for Finance, Revenues and Benefits to negotiate and agree terms and finalise the disposal; <p>c) delegated authority be granted to the Director of Legal and Governance and the Service Manager, Commercial Development to secure public access rights to the Council’s retained land as part of any potential future land transfer to the Teversal Sports and Recreation Trust;</p>

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		<p>d) a recommendation be made to Council that, in principle, in the event that the Teversal Sports and Recreation Trust were to take over the Teversal Grange site, the outstanding debt owed to the Council by the Trust of approximately £174k is written off to allow the new Trust to take over debt free;</p> <p>e) an agreement be made to gift the portacabin to the Cricket Club in the event that the Teversal Sports and Recreation Trust were to take over the Teversal Grange site.</p>
Item 11	Funding Update and Land Acquisition	<p>RESOLVED that</p> <p>a) the update regarding the Towns Fund and Future High Streets programmes, as presented, be received and noted;</p> <p>b) authorisation be given for the acquisition of land required for the North Kirkby and West Kirkby Gateway Towns Fund projects and delegated authority be granted to the Executive Lead Member for Finance, Revenues and Benefits and the Director for Resources and Business Transformation to finalise the negotiations and agree Heads of Terms with the landlord, and to the Director for Legal and Governance to complete the legal transactions;</p> <p>c) delegated authority be granted to the Executive Lead Member for Regeneration and Corporate Transformation and the Director for Place and Communities to submit a bid for the allocated funding from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF);</p> <p>d) it be confirmed that the Discover Ashfield Board will fulfil the role of Local Partnership Group to develop and implement an Investment Plan in conjunction with the Ashfield Skills Partnership for the UKSPF;</p>

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		<p>e) delegated authority be granted to the Executive Lead Member for Regeneration and Corporate Transformation and the Director for Place and Communities to submit a bid for funding for Hucknall and to the Levelling Up Fund;</p> <p>f) the submission of a bid to the Home Office for Safer Streets 4 be noted and delegated authority be granted to the Deputy Leader and Executive Lead Member for Community Safety and Crime Reduction and the Director for Place and Communities (subject to a successful outcome), to accept the funding and deliver the programme;</p> <p>g) with regard to the Planetarium and Science Discovery Centre project, as part of the Towns Fund Programme, delegated authority be granted to the Executive Lead Member for Regeneration and Corporate Transformation and the Director for Place and Communities to submit any further bids for funding from available funding streams, as appropriate.</p>
Item 12	Year End Corporate Risk Update	<p>RESOLVED that</p> <p>a) the current significant items on the Corporate Risk Register, as presented, be received and noted;</p> <p>b) the updated Corporate Risk Strategy, as presented, be approved.</p>
Item 13	Revised Procurement Strategy	<p>RESOLVED that</p> <p>a) the revised Procurement Strategy, as appended to the agenda, be approved;</p> <p>b) delegated authority be granted to the Director for Resources and Business Transformation, in consultation with both the Council’s Monitoring Officer and Executive Lead Member for Finance, Revenues and Benefits, to make any further changes to the Strategy until 2023/24, as required.</p>

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Item 14	COVID-19 Recovery Scrutiny Panel Conspectus	<p>RESOLVED that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) the tireless work of the voluntary sector, both during and after the COVID-19 Pandemic, be commended; b) the Council continues to build and nurture the relationships forged with partners during the pandemic and to further develop its role as a community leader providing pivotal central support to all parties; c) the Communications Team continues to prioritise the Council’s relationship with Ashfield’s voluntary sector, providing an effective conduit for the dissemination of information and signposting services as required; d) the Council continues to support Ashfield residents and offer encouragement and guidance to enable reintegration back into local communities with a particular focus on working with organisations supporting vulnerable groups; e) the Council continues to ensure available grant funding is effectively administered to local businesses and organisations to assist with the reinvigoration and support of Ashfield’s local economy following the pandemic; f) the information contained within this report, including the summary of work and outcomes achieved by the COVID-19 Recovery Scrutiny Panel, be received and noted.
Item 8	Social Housing White Paper	<p>RESOLVED that the following be received and noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) the key implications and priorities for Ashfield District Council arising from the then Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) Social Housing White Paper and the resulting identified actions;

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		b) some of the draft changes to Social Housing Regulation were published by DLUHC on 29th March 2022 with the Bill being 'introduced' to Parliament on 8th June 2022; c) progress against the reported action plan.