

## CABINET

### WEDNESDAY, 19 JULY 2017

### DECISIONS

### **PRESENT:** Councillor Nunn (Chair); Councillor Larratt (Deputy Chair); Councillors Hibbert, Hadland, Hallam, Eldred and King.

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Cabinet held on Wednesday, 19 July 2017. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

These decisions will come into force and then may be implemented on the expiry of three working days after the publication of this list.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Emma Powley.

THIS LIST OF DECISIONS	20 <sup>th</sup> July 2017
PUBLISHED:	
DATE OF EXPIRY OF CALL IN:	25 <sup>th</sup> July 2017 AT 17:00 HOURS

Agenda Declaration/Conflict of Interests: Item No None

### 7. COUNCIL GARAGE SITES AND THE ALLOCATION AND MANAGEMENT OF COUNCIL GARAGES

Cabinet approved the Council Garage Sites Strategy (Appendix A of the report) and Council Garages Policy (Appendix B of the report)

Agenda Declaration/Conflict of Interests: Item No None

### 8. PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSING ENFORCEMENT – CIVIL PENALTIES AND RENT REPAYMENT ORDERS

- 1. Cabinet approved the Private Sector Housing Civil Penalties Policy (attached to the report as Appendix A) with effect from 1 August 2017;
- 2. Cabinet approved the amended Private Sector Housing Enforcement

Policy (attached to this report as Appendix B) with effect from 1 August 2017; and

3. Cabinet approved the amended Private Sector Housing Fees & Charges Policy (attached to this report as Appendix C) with effect from 1 August 2017.

# AgendaDeclaration/Conflict of Interests:Item NoNone

## 9. LOCAL CONNECTION CHANGES TO THE HOUSING ALLOCATIONS SCHEME

- 1.Cabinet approved (with effect from the date that Daventry District Council and South Northamptonshire District Council have formally approved and signed the nominations agreement in favour of Northampton Borough Council) changes to the definition of 'local connection' and the criteria for awarding priority working and community contribution stars in the Council's Housing Allocations Scheme (as set out in Section 3.2 of this report) in order to reflect the fact that the Scheme applies to the whole of the NRDA – rather than just the Northampton Borough – and to enable people who have a local connection with the NRDA to join Northampton's Housing Register and have their applications assessed and prioritised in accordance with the same fair, transparent criteria; and
- 2.Cabinet approved (with effect from the date that Daventry District Council and South Northamptonshire District Council have formally approved and signed the nominations agreement in favour of Northampton Borough Council) the inclusion of the three tier Cascading Nominations Agreement (the 'Cascade') as an Appendix to Northampton's Housing Allocations Scheme (the 'Scheme') in order that this flexible agreement can sit alongside the Scheme and any housing allocation that is made in accordance with the Cascade will not be a breach of the Scheme.

#### Agenda Declaration/Conflict of Interests: Item No None

### 10. TRANSFER OF PUBLIC OPEN SPACE LAND AT BELLINGE, NORTHAMPTON

- Cabinet approved "in principle" the transfer, at nil premium, of the freehold interest in the land having an area of approximately 5,106 square metres shown within the area edged red on the Plan at Appendix 1 (known as Bellinge Public Open Space) for its continued use as public open space for recreational activities.
- 2. Cabinet authorised the advertisement of the proposed disposal of the

public open space in accordance with the requirements of Section 123 (2A) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) and for any representations to be reported back to Cabinet for consideration.

 Cabinet authorised the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Enterprise and Planning to agree the terms of the transfer, including the imposition of a restrictive user covenant, on a freehold basis.

Agenda Declaration/Conflict of Interests: Item No None

#### 11. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES RE-PROVISION – PROGRESS REPORT

Cabinet noted progress with the environmental services re-provision process.

Agenda Declaration/Conflict of Interests: Item No None

### 12. FINANCE MONITORING - PERIOD 2 2017/18

Cabinet noted the contents of the report.

Agenda Declaration/Conflict of Interests: Item No None

### **13. CORPORATE PERFORMANCE OUTTURN REPORT**

Cabinet noted the contents of the performance report and appendix 1 of the report.

Agenda Declaration/Conflict of Interests: Item No None

### 14. LAND OFF ST PETER'S WAY: EVALUATION OF BUSINESS CASE

- 2.1 Cabinet acknowledged that Northampton Partnership Homes had confirmed, by an approved minute of their Board, that they would relocate to the National Grid Site B and pay a commercial rent;
- 2.2 Cabinet welcomed the forecast financial analysis that Value for Money had been demonstrated in relation to the General Fund for Option 1 NBC build office accommodation at National Grid Site B;
- 2.3 Cabinet accepted and understood that based on forecast financial analysis for Option 1 the proposed relocation would represent an additional cost to the Housing Revenue Account;
- 2.4 Cabinet approved the proposed purchase on the basis that

Northampton Partnership Homes would produce operational efficiency savings to offset the forecast additional revenue cost to the HRA from its Management Fee;

2.5 Cabinet authorised the Director of Planning, Regeneration & Enterprise acting in consultation with the Chief Finance Officer and the Cabinet Members for Planning Regeneration & Enterprise and Finance, to complete the purchase of the site from National Grid.