

CABINET

Minutes of the meeting held on 29 January 2019 at 7.00 pm in Council Chamber, Council Offices, Cecil Street, Margate, Kent.

Present: Councillor Bayford (Chairman); Councillors Savage, Ashbee, Game and I Gregory

In Attendance: Councillors Campbell, Connor, Crow-Brown, Dexter, Edwards, S Piper, Rogers, Rusiecki, D Saunders, M Saunders, Shonk, Townend, Wright and Jaye-Jones

553. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies received at the meeting.

554. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

555. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Councillor Savage proposed, Councillor Ashbee seconded and Members agreed the minutes as a correct record of the meeting that was held on 15 January 2019.

556. BUDGET 2019-20 REPORT

This item was withdrawn.

557. CONTAMINATED LAND STRATEGY - REVISED OCT. 2018

Cabinet considered the proposed strategy that was aimed at fulfilling the Council's statutory obligations, particularly in relation to Part IIA of the Environmental Protection Act 1990. The Act placed a statutory duty on local authorities to identify land which posed an unacceptable risk to human health or other named receptors. The revised Contaminated Land Strategy had to reflect current best practice and provide a framework for prioritisation of potential sites of concern. It would also be used for conducting commercial research upon request.

Whilst this strategy was a statutory requirement under this Act, it was also linked to Thanet District Council's Planning Policies and Corporate Priorities. The strategy was reviewed in line with changes to legislation, guidance and budget restrictions.

Councillor Campbell spoke under Council Procedure Rule 20.1.

Councillor Game proposed, Councillor Savage seconded and approved the Contaminated Land Strategy 2018-2023.

558. ASSET MANAGEMENT - SURPLUS PROPERTY AND LAND

Cabinet was requested to progress for disposal and retention a number of properties and land listed in the Annex 1 and Annex 2 to report. Cabinet agreed that the assets listed for Community Asset transfer would be transferred using the appropriate framework detailed in the Community Asset Transfer Policy that took into account community use. On the other hand, Cabinet also agreed to dispose the other properties using the approved disposal framework.

The following Members spoke under Council Procedure Rule 20.1:

Councillor S. Piper;
Councillor Crow-Brown;
Councillor Campbell.

Councillor Gregory proposed, Councillor Savage seconded and Cabinet agreed the following:

1. To progress the following property and land listed in the report for Community Asset transfer using the appropriate framework. All assets will be transferred following the Community Asset Transfer policy. They will not be transferred at nil value but at a value taking into account the community use;
 - i. Garlinge Pavillion Margate, Hartsdown Pavillion Margate and Northdown Park Pavillion Margate to an established Sports and Social club;
 - ii. Victoria Gardens Broadstairs to Broadstairs & St Peters Town Council;
 - iii. Albion Gardens Ramsgate to Ramsgate Town Council or other qualifying community organisation;
 - iv. Newgate Gap Shelter Margate to a qualifying community organisation;
 - v. Land and Toilets Minster Plot 1 and Plot 2 to Minster Parish Council;
 - vi. Land and property at the Oval Cliftonville to a qualifying community organisation;
 - vii. To approve a consultation to appropriate land for community and social use at Hartsdown Margate adjacent to Margate football club.

2. To progress the following property and land listed in the report through the approved disposal framework.
 - i. Land at the rear of the Tudor house Margate taking into account the grade 2 listed status of the adjacent property;
 - ii. The closed toilet at Beresford Gap, the closed toilet at Marina Road Ramsgate, the closed toilet at Minnis Bay Birchington, the closed toilet at Park Road Margate;
 - iii. The closed toilet at Margate Cemetery but restricted to bereavement use;
 - iv. The closed toilet at Albion street Broadstairs to Broadstairs & St Peters Town Council;
 - v. Transfer only part of the title of the land to the owner of the Nayland Rock Hotel. The part to be retained by Council is the access/egress from Canterbury Road adjacent to Canterbury Crescent. The area fronting the Nayland Rock will be transferred to the owner of the Nayland Rock Hotel.

Meeting concluded: 7.15 pm