

**MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEETING  
HELD AT 10:00AM, ON  
MONDAY, 25 MARCH 2019  
COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, PETERBOROUGH**

**Cabinet Members Present:** Councillor Holdich (Chair), Councillor Ayres, Councillor Cereste, Councillor Hiller, Councillor Lamb, Councillor Seaton, Councillor Smith, and Councillor Walsh

**Cabinet Advisors Present:** Councillor Allen and Councillor Fuller

**86. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Fitzgerald.

**87. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Agenda Item No 8 – ‘Active Lifestyles and Sports Strategy’

Councillor Walsh declared that she was a regular user of Premier Fitness.

**88. PETITIONS PRESENTED TO CABINET**

There were no petitions presented to Cabinet.

**STRATEGIC DECISIONS**

**89. ACTIVE LIFESTYLES AND SPORTS STRATEGY**

The Cabinet received a report in relation to the Active Lifestyles and Sports Strategy.

The purpose of this report was to seek the review and approval of the draft Active Lifestyles and Sports Strategy.

With the agreement of the Leader of the Council, Councillor John Fox addressed the Cabinet and congratulated Members on their positive approach to the strategy. He noted that the north of the city had limited facilities and advised that, when it was first built, Ken Stimpson Community School had been promised a swimming pool. This had not yet materialised. Councillor Fox called on the Cabinet to support the installation of a swimming pool in that area.

The Cabinet Advisor to the Leader introduced the report and advised that the strategy would be taken to communities and work would be undertaken to engage with partners.

Cabinet debated the report and in summary, key points raised and responses to questions included:

- Members were advised that the scheduled review of the strategy provided an opportunity to develop the sports and active lifestyles provision in Peterborough.
- It was noted that development was required in relation to participation and around the health and wellbeing of residents.

- The delivery of the strategy was to be overseen by a partnership steering group.
- The creation of the strategy had been a combined effort by partners from many voluntary and commercial organisations.
- Inaccuracies had been noted in the strategy and these would be resolved prior to publication.
- It was confirmed that workshops were held with local sports groups. In addition, each partner submitted a 5 year plan.
- It was felt that applications for funding may be more successful using such a combined approach.
- Work was being undertaken with the Communities Team to ensure city wide communication, including rural areas.
- It was noted that a youth forum was being created to ensure that the city's young people had an avenue to input into the delivery of the strategy.
- Members were advised that stakeholders were being asked to provide their own data to the Council. The progress of the strategy would be further measured using the active life survey.
- The steering group would consider how the strategy could best realise any resulting cost savings.
- It was noted that education was a priority within the strategy and that work was currently underway to consider how this could be translated for a secondary school focus.
- Comment was made that the organisation 'Outspoken' was mentioned in the strategy, but did not sit on the steering group and officers would check to confirm if the organisation was current or not.
- Previous comments from the Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee in relation to the involvement of rural communities were noted.
- It was considered that a more business case based approach would be appropriate.
- Members were advised that each priority had a corresponding action plan and progress made would be reviewed against this annually. These actions plans could be circulated to Cabinet Members when reviewed.
- It was commented that Vivacity was key to the delivery of this strategy and were united with the Council by common goals and plans. It was further noted that Vivacity had undergone recent significant transformation and their expertise and resources would benefit the delivery of the strategy objectives.
- It was considered that working alongside the integrated communities' strategy.
- It was noted that the Public Health Team were supportive of the strategy and were keen to work with the ageing population in particular, to keep them active.

Cabinet considered the report and **RESOLVED** to:

1. Note the proposed themes and priorities in the new draft strategy.
2. Approve and adopt the Active Lifestyles and Sports Strategy.

## **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

The Council had identified the need to refresh the current Sports Strategy. Now was the optimum time to have a fresh look at the city's needs and to develop a strategy that will assist in guiding the future provision of health, sport and facilities in the city, alongside the new Local Plan and new capital programme. The need for a clear framework for future investment was particularly critical given the projected population growth within Peterborough and the surrounding area.

## **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

As the council required a new strategy no alternative option had been considered.

## **MONITORING ITEMS**

### **90. BUDGET CONTROL REPORT JANUARY 2019**

The Cabinet received a report in relation to the Budget Control Report for January 2019.

The purpose of this report was to provide Cabinet with an update as at January 2019 of the Budgetary Control position.

The Cabinet Member for Resources introduced the report and advised that this would be the final control report before the outturn report. It was noted that the key changes were as a result of the staggered end to the Amey contract. Additional cost from home to school transport, temporary accommodation and cemeteries had been, in part, offset by delays in project work in People and Communities. The Cabinet Member reiterated that action was being taken to mitigate the overspend.

Cabinet considered the report and **RESOLVED** to note:

1. The Revenue Budgetary Control position for 2018/19 at January 2019 includes a £3.444m overspend position on the revenue budget.
2. The key variance analysis and explanations are contained in Appendix A to the report.
3. The estimated reserves position for 2018/19 is outlined in Appendix B to the report.
4. In year budget risks are highlighted in Appendix C to the report.
5. The Asset Investment and Treasury Budget Report is contained in Appendix D to the report.

### **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

The report updated Cabinet on the January 2019 budgetary control position.

### **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

There had been no alternative options considered.

## **91. OUTCOME OF PETITIONS**

The Cabinet received a report in relation to the outcome of petitions received by the Council.

The purpose of this report was to update the Cabinet on the progress being made in response to petitions submitted to the Council.

Cabinet considered the report and **RESOLVED** to note the actions taken in respect of petitions.

### **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

As the petitions presented in the report had been dealt with by Cabinet Members or officers, it was appropriate that the action taken was reported to Cabinet.

### **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

There had been no alternative options considered.

The Leader announced that this Cabinet meeting would be the last for Councillor Sam Smith as a Cabinet Member. He thanks Councillor Smith on behalf of Members and officers for all of her hard work and the valuable contribution she made to Children's Services.

Chairman  
10:00am – 10:39am  
25 March 2019