21 June 2022

REDCAR & CLEVELAND BOROUGH COUNCIL

Decision record

Decision-making body: Cabinet

Location: Civic Centre, Ridley Street, Redcar

Date: 21 June 2022

Present Councillor Lanigan (Chair)

Councillors Barnes, Foggo, Gallacher, Hunt, Kay,

Ovens and Westbury.

Officials K Boulton, R Mitchell, S Newton, J Sampson, P Rice,

C Styles, and P Winstanley.

In attendance Councillors Holyoake and S Jeffrey.

Officials: D Boville and A Pearson.

Apologies for

absence

Councillors Foley-McCormack, Massey and

G Nightingale.

Minutes RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on

10 May 2022 be confirmed and signed by the Chair

as a correct record.

Declarations of

interest

None

These minutes were published on 23 June 2022 by the Governance Director

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Item/report: 1. Corporate Peer Challenge

Reporting source: Managing Director (Head of Paid Service)

Record of decision:

RESOLVED that:

1. Cabinet endorsed the action plan set out at Appendix 1.

2. The action plan was integrated into the Corporate Plan Implementation Plan with progress regularly reported to Elected

Members.

Reason for the decision:

Hosting the peer challenge was an immediate priority for the Cabinet upon election, with it being included within the Corporate Plan Implementation Plan. This report was the final step in the delivery of that

action, setting out specific actions that the Council would take in order to

make the agreed upon improvements to services for residents.

Assessment of options:

The development and publication of the action plan was a requirement of the Corporate Peer Challenge process, as such there was no option to consider other than to produce an action plan for approval.

Declared conflicts of interest:

None

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Item/report: 2. Financial Outturn Position: 2021/22

Reporting source: Managing Director (Head of Paid Service)

Record of decision:

RESOLVED that Cabinet:

- Noted the 2021/22 year-end financial position.
- Approved the movement in earmarked reserves, as per the table in section 4.23.
- Approved the transfers into subsequent financial years, for the range of capital schemes, with under and overspends analysed, as per the table in section 4.44 and itemised in more detail in Appendix 3.
- Approved the finalised outturn position for Treasury Management Prudential Indicators, set out in Appendix 4.
- Approved the itemised revenue budget virements which had been processed during Quarter 4, in Appendix 5.
- Approved the proposed table of fares that can be charged by proprietors of Hackney carriage vehicles to passengers as set out in paragraphs 4.57 to 4.64 and Appendix 6, subject to a 14-day notice period within which interested parties may lodge any objections.

Reason for the decision:

It was crucial that the Council upheld strong financial governance to deliver the Council's Corporate Plan. Effective financial management of the budget aided the delivery of the Council's key priorities and objectives as stated in the Corporate Plan.

Assessment of options:

A range of options were explored when considering this report.

Declared conflict of interests:

None

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Item/report: 3. Outside Bodies and Community Organisations 2022/23

Reporting source: Managing Director (Head of Paid Service)

Record of decision:

RESOLVED that Cabinet agreed the appointments to Outside Bodies and Community Organisations for 2022/23.

Reason for the decision:

Engagement in outside bodies supported the delivery of the Council's priorities through forging and maintaining strong partnerships, providing good quality public services, and enabled the Borough to become ever more outward looking, receptive to new ideas and innovation.

Assessment of options:

In some cases, the Council had a duty to comply with statutory arrangements to participate in joint arrangements outside its own internal governance, therefore options were limited. The requirement for representation on the various outside bodies was reviewed periodically.

Declared conflicts of interest:

None

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Item/report: 4. Levelling Up Fund Round 2 Bid to Government

Reporting source: Managing Director (Head of Paid Service)

Record of decision:

RESOLVED that Cabinet:

- 1. Approved the preparation of two bids to the Government's Levelling Up Fund Round 2 by 12 noon on 6 July 2022, namely:
 - a) Redcar Constituency prepared by Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council.
 - b) Middlesbrough South & East Cleveland jointly prepared by Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council in partnership with Middlesbrough Borough Council.
- 2. Delegated authority to the Assistant Director for Growth & Enterprise and the Cabinet Member for Economic Development to determine the final composition of the projects included in the bids.

Reason for the decision:

"Levelling Up" was a key part of the Government's ambitions, and details of the Government's Levelling Up Fund were originally published alongside the budget on 3 March 2021. The Government committed £4.8bn across the UK over a four-year period up to 2024-25. The fund provided a source of capital investment in local infrastructure to build on and consolidate previous programmes and was delivered through Local Authorities.

Assessment of options:

A range of options were explored when considering this report.

Declared conflicts of interest:

None

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Item/report: 5. Area Growth Plans Funding

Reporting source: Managing Director (Head of Paid Service)

Record of decision:

RESOLVED that Cabinet:

- Noted the content of the report and approved the use of the additional £2m Tees Valley Combined Authority (TVCA) Indigenous Growth Fund (IGF) as set out within it.
- 2. Approved the reallocation of existing TVCA IGF and Welcome to Redcar & Cleveland funding as set out within the report.
- 3. Delegated authority to the Managing Director, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Economic Growth, to make appropriate and necessary changes to the funding business cases to TVCA and other funding bodies.

Reason for the decision:

Limited supply and increased demand for building materials has caused significant price inflation for the delivery of a number of projects scheduled to be completed within the Area Growth Plans' capital investment framework.

Assessment of options:

Funding pressures were being addressed via a variety of methods including value engineering of projects and programmes seeking to lever in additional funding. Future consideration may need to be given to delaying projects or prioritising delivery of certain projects over others.

Declared conflicts of interest:

None

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Item/report: 6. Redcar Central Station Redevelopment

Reporting source: Managing Director (Head of Paid Service)

Record of decision:

RESOLVED that:

- Redcar Central Station be redeveloped into a mixed-use gateway facility comprising leisure/retail uses alongside rail information, ticket vending machines and indoor waiting space. This was to be fully financed through budget allocations from the TVCA Redcar Growth Zone and Welcome to Redcar investment funds currently estimated at £5,950,000 with the prospect of a further £50,000 from the Railway Heritage Trust.
- Cabinet delegated authority to the Managing Director, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Economic Growth, to enter into a long leasehold agreement with The Arch Company (ArchCo) for the Redcar Central Station building and associated non-operational rail curtilage land.
- 3. Cabinet delegated authority to the Managing Director, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Economic Growth, to make appropriate design development amendments and any necessary changes to the funding business case to TVCA.
- 4. Cabinet delegated authority to the Managing Director, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Economic Growth, to award the construction contract upon conclusion of the procurement process.

Reason for the decision:

The rejuvenated Redcar Central Station would have a far-reaching impact, providing a far more welcoming and appropriate gateway to Redcar. Operationally the station was well patronised and this was expected to increase as commuters returned to offices and trains returned to full timetables.

The community impact would be further enhanced through the access and interaction opportunities provided. The integration of some station facilities would draw regular users of the station into the building for tickets, information and waiting facilities. By complementing these uses with retail, leisure and commercial uses the station would become a gateway destination and an asset to the visitor, culture, leisure and commercial offer in Redcar.

Assessment of options:

The recommendations within the report were the culmination of a number of years of planning and negotiations from the standpoint that doing nothing with the station was not an acceptable option. Network Rail/ArchCo had made it clear that they had no immediate plans for the station and therefore it was included in the Council's Area Growth Plans for conservation and development owing to its listed status, prominence as a key gateway to

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Redcar and the strength of felling in support of its restoration and re-use.

An option to only repair the fabric of the building and create a shell ready for future development was explored but ruled out on the basis that this would not generate sufficient outputs or commercial return on investment and would therefore require significant and ongoing subsidy for management and maintenance.

Declared conflicts of interest:

None

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Item/report: 7. Information Items

RESOLVED that the following items be approved and noted where necessary:

Delegated decisions:

- Adults and Communities Directorate
- Children and Families Directorate
- Resources and Growth Directorate