## **Senior Officer Decision**

**Consultative meeting:** Council

Consultative meeting date: 20th October 2021



### **Exempt from publication**

No.

# Title: Approval of Recommendations to October's Council

#### Links to:

- (i) Officer report to consultative meeting Council 20th October 2021
- (ii) Recording of consultative meeting
- (iii) Council 20th October 2021
- (iv) Minutes of consultative meeting
  Not available at time of decision

#### **Recommendation:**

### Cabinet 28th July 2021

### **Minute 51 - Cranbrook Local Infrastructure Fund;**

An in principle agreement to borrow up to £40m from the Public Works Loan Board to capitalise the Cranbrook Local Infrastructure Fund.

### Cabinet 1st September 2021

#### Minute 58 - Purchase of land at Boardsdown and Holyford, Pratts Hill, Colyford:

To provide a budget for sums to purchase the land and the associated fees with those sums to be confirmed verbally to the Council meeting.

## Cabinet 8th September 2021

#### Minute 67 - Minute 67 of the Community Grant Panel held on 22 July 2021:

The budget for the Community Buildings Fund be increased to £35k for the financial year 2022/2023

### Minute 68 - Minute 62 of the Asset Management Forum held 27th July 2021:

The sum of £245,700 be made available from the Asset Maintenance Reserve to fund the emergency works to the properties identified within the report as follows:

- a) Sidmouth Swimming Pool £35K (excluding VAT)
- b) Connaught Gardens Shelter 1B £62K (excluding VAT)
- c) Connaught Gardens Watch Tower £25K (excluding VAT)
- d) Exmouth Town Hall and Exmouth Pavilion Mansafe System £9,700 (excluding VAT)
- e) Initial remedial works from Fire Risk Assessments £44K (excluding VAT) with further capital bid required
- f) Norman Lockyer Observatory £70K (excluding VAT Minutes of Asset Management Forum held on 27 July 2021

#### Minute 74 – Housing Options team staffing requirement:

To approve the additional budget in respect of two additional fixed term, full time Housing Officer posts for 12 months each; to deal with the additional demand on the homelessness service. The budget is in the region of £67,576 for two 12 month posts.

#### Cabinet 6<sup>th</sup> October 2021

## Minute 85 - Minutes 8 & 11 of the Housing Review Board held 16th September 2021:

The Housing Strategy 2020 – 2024 be adopted (Min 8).

Additional budget to resource new posts for the delivery of compliance and cyclical service work streams to ensure that the Council's housing stock remains safe and compliant so that tenants can feel safe in their homes (Min 11).

#### Minute 86 – Minute 29 of the Housing Task and Finish Forum held 9<sup>th</sup> September 2021:



Approve the recommendations set out in section 4 of the report, with the following addenda:

- 1. Identify EDDC or market sites or existing developer led sites.
- 2. Develop agreements with developers for them to develop and make profit with EDDC having a portion of market and/or affordable/social houses to reflect the Council's contribution to the development. This will enable to identify skills, models and opportunities.
- 3. Concurrent with 1. Identify communities that need support to develop a community-led housing scheme by offering technical and financial support.
- 4. In the meantime develop flexible models to get proof of concept.

#### Minute 87 – A proposal for an Affordable / Social Housing Task Force:

The appointment of a Housing Task Force with the staffing resource outlined in the report to deliver 3 more social and affordable housing with a budget of £250,000 per annum for two years.

#### Minute 92 – Council Plan 2021-2023:

Approve the new Council Plan 2021-2023.

#### Minute 93 – Seaton Jurassic update report:

A revenue budget of £45,000 to meet ongoing costs for the current financial year for the centre be approved.

### Strategic Planning Committee 7th September 2021

#### Minute 28 - HEELA Panel Constitution and role

- 1. Agreement to the proposed constitution and terms of reference in appendix 1.
- 2. To appoint the Portfolio Holder for Economy and Assets and the Portfolio Holder for Strategic Planning onto the HELAA Panel.
- 3. Of agreement to delegate authority to the Service Lead Planning Strategy and Development Management in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Strategic Planning, to make any further minor changes that might arise from a review of the panel's constitution and terms of reference by the panel.

### Standards Committee 14th September 2021

#### Minute 6 – East Devon District Council Standards Regime update

- 1. Approval of a revised procedure for dealing with Code of Conduct complaints, and related Constitutional amendments to implement it;
- 2. Approve that any training requirement imposed by way of sanction against a District Councillor be paid for by the District Council and that a budget of £5,000 be provided for this purpose.

#### **Authority:**

Decision of Council on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2021 to delegate decision making to officers until 23.59 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022.



| Officer Decision   |
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| Consultations: I was present at the recording of the consultative meeting which considered this item Yes $\boxtimes$ No $\square$  |
| Detail any other consultations carried out: N/A  |
| Other considerations:  Do the legal and finance comments and equalities impact, climate change and risk assessments as detailed in the officer reports remain the same.  |
| Yes ⊠ No □   |
| If no, provide the updated assessment below;   |
| <b>Decision:</b> To not approve the recommendation contained at Minute 58 of 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2021 Cabinet meeting as this is now superfluous having not been successful in our bid to purchase the land.   |
| To approve all remaining recommendations as detailed in the Recommendation section above.  |
| Reasons for decision: The consultative meeting of the Council considered the minutes of all the various meetings and recommended they be approved. Other than in relation to Minute 58, there is nothing I am aware of that suggests any alternative decision should be taken. |
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| Signed Dated: 21st October 2021  |
| Senior Officer job title and name:   |
| Mark Williams, Chief Executive   |
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