

STAFFORDSHIRE MOORLANDS DISTRICT COUNCIL

CABINET DECISIONS

TUESDAY, 28 MARCH 2023

PRESENT: Councillor P Roberts (Chair)

Councillors J Aberley, M Deaville, K Flunder, J Porter, S Scalise,
R Ward and M Worthington

58 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (PREVIOUSLY CIRCULATED)**

DECISION:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 14 February 2023 be approved as a correct record.

59 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST, IF ANY**

There were no declarations of interest made.

60 **FORWARD PLAN**

DECISION:

That the Forward Plan be approved for publication.

61 **ANNUAL REPORT**

The purpose of the report was to present the Council's Annual Report for 2021/22. This was a core document which compared Staffordshire Moorlands' performance and costs with councils in the West Midlands region and nationally. The report was considered by the Resources Overview and Scrutiny Panel on 15 March 2023.

Options considered:

The report is for information only.

DECISION:

That the findings of the benchmarking exercises be noted.

62 **HOMELESSNESS AND ROUGH SLEEPING STRATEGY 2023- 2027**

The reported advised the Cabinet of the Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy 2023- 2027 and sought approval to undertake consultation. The report was considered by the Service Delivery Overview and Scrutiny Panel on 1 March 2023.

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Options considered:

Option 1 - Proceed with the recommendation to approve that consultation was undertaken in connection with the Homelessness Review and Strategy – Recommended

Option 2 - Not to proceed with the recommendation – not recommended. The Council had a legal duty to carry out a review and publish a strategy.

DECISION:

That the proposed consultation (Appendix C) in connection with the Homelessness Review (Appendix A) and Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy 2023- 2027 (Appendix B) be approved.

63 **COUNCIL TAX & BUSINESS RATES RELIEF, REDUCTIONS & LEVY POLICIES**

The purpose of the report was to review and update the Business Rate Reliefs Policy and the Council Tax Discounts, Exemptions and Levies Policy.

Options considered:

There were no options in regard to mandatory reliefs and discounts available as these were set by Government. However, Government allowed authorities to make discretionary decisions in respect of the amount of Business Rates and Council Tax due.

DECISION:

That the updated Business Rates Reliefs Policy and Council Tax Discounts, Exemptions and Levies Policy be approved.

The meeting closed at 11.14 am

Chairman