

Minutes of: CABINET

Date of Meeting: 6 November 2013

Present: Councillor M C Connolly (in the Chair)
Councillors J Smith, G Campbell and I Gartside

Also in attendance: Councillors S Southworth Deputy Cabinet Member (Environment) and T Tariq Deputy Cabinet Member (Communities and Community Safety)

Public Attendance: 1 member of the public was present at the meeting.

Apologies for Absence: Councillors T Pickstone and S Walmsley

CA.473 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Connolly declared a personal interest in any matters relating to the fact that his partner is employed by Adult Care Services.

CA.474 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A period of thirty minutes was allocated for members of the public present at the meeting to ask questions about the work or performance of the Council or Council services.

No questions were asked.

CA.475 MINUTES

Delegated decision:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 18 September 2013 be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

CA.476 LAND ADJACENT THE FORMER RAMSBOTTOM YOUTH CLUB SITE, CENTRAL STREET, RAMSBOTTOM

The Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member (Finance and Corporate Affairs) submitted a report for the consideration of an objection received in response to the proposed disposal of land designated as Public Open Space (POS). The land concerned was identified for sale together with the former site of Ramsbottom Youth Club site, Central Street, Ramsbottom.

Delegated decision:

That approval be given to the sale of the site of the former Ramsbottom Youth Club together with the Public Open Space land on Central Street. Ramsbottom.

Reasons for the decision:

The site has been identified for disposal as no other Council service was interested in the site. The sale will generate a capital receipt and this will eliminate any ongoing management costs.

Other option considered and rejected:

Not to approve the sale of the site of the former Ramsbottom Youth Club Public Open Space.

CA.477 BURY PUPIL PREMIUM REVIEW

The Cabinet Member - Children and Families submitted a report which presented a review of how Bury schools are making use of Pupil Premium funding to improve education, in particular education for children from disadvantaged backgrounds.

The report also addressed issues relating to the lack of take up of Free School Meals and ways the authority could work with schools to increase the take up of this provision.

Delegated decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the findings contained in the report be disseminated and circulated to all Headteachers and Chairs of Governors within the Borough.
3. That the report be referred to the Corporate Parenting Panel.

Reasons for the decisions:

To enable the findings of the report to be circulated to key stakeholders.

Other option considered and rejected:

To reject the recommendations.

CA.478 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Delegated decision:

That in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business as it involves the likely disclosure of information as detailed in the conditions of category 3.

CA.479 GREATER MANCHESTER'S LOCAL BROAD BAND PLAN (LBP)

The Leader of the Council submitted a report which detailed the Greater Manchester (GM) Broadband Plan, the potential economic benefit to GM and Bury, the funding streams attached and the requested financial contribution from Bury Council.

Delegated decision:

That approval be given to sign up to the GM Broadband Plan as set out in the report submitted which will include the priority areas within Bury as confirmed by the preferred supplier with a financial contribution which represents an equal share between all 8 Greater Manchester authorities.

Reason for the decision:

This decision will have a positive economic within Bury and across Greater Manchester.

Other option considered and rejected:

To reject the recommendation.

COUNCILLOR M C CONNOLLY

Chair

(Note: The meeting started at 6.00 pm and ended at 6.20 pm)