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Decision Summary

Committee:

Date:

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CABINET

TUESDAY 19 JANUARY 2021

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Chair

Councillor Shabir Pandor

Councillors Attended

Councillor Viv Kendrick
Councillor Naheed Mather
Councillor Peter McBride
Councillor Carole Pattison
Councillor Cathy Scott
Councillor Graham Turner
Councillor Paul Davies

Observers

Councillor John Taylor
Councillor Martyn Bolt
Councillor Will Simpson
Councillor Alison Munro
Councillor John Lawson
Councillor Aleks Lukic
Councillor Elizabeth Smaje

Apologies

Councillor Musarrat Khan

7: Annual RIPA Update

To receive (i) an update report on the use of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 by the Council and (ii) an update on the 2020 IPCO inspection.

Wards affected: All

Contact: David Stickley, Legal Services

That the Annual RIPA Update report be noted.

8: Housing Revenue Account Rent and Service Charge Setting and Key Housing Challenges

To consider the annual setting of rents and service charges.

Wards affected: All

Contact: Helen Geldart / Jacqui Fieldhouse, Kirklees Neighbourhood Housing

- 1) That, in order to comply with the requirements of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 to have a balanced Housing Revenue Account, the Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016, and the rent standard, an increase be applied to the rents and service charges payable for social housing by CPI+1% from 5 April 2021, as detailed within the considered report.
 - 2) That charges for (i) extra care services – intensive housing management, be uplifted by 4% and (ii) extra care services – night care services, be uplifted by 2.2% (CPI +1%), in line with other increases.
 - 3) That approval be given to the continuation of charging a target rent on all properties let to new tenants.
 - 4) That the national and local financial challenges be noted in preparation for the Housing Revenue Account budget discussions in February 2021.
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9: Community Infrastructure Levy - Next Steps

To consider next steps in relation to the Kirklees Community Infrastructure Levy, including an officer recommendation not to adopt the Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule at this stage.

Wards affected: All

Contact: Steven Wright, Planning Policy and Strategy

That the Council shall not proceed to adopt the Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule at this stage and that the implementation of the CIL be reconsidered at a later stage dependent upon national government policy intentions and economic circumstances.

10: Dewsbury Town Deal - Town Investment Plan

To consider the progress of the Town Investment Plan (TIP) for Dewsbury and associated recommendations.

Wards affected: Dewsbury East, Dewsbury South, Dewsbury West

Contact: Simon Taylor, Town Centre Programmes

- 1) That the Dewsbury Town Investment Plan, as proposed by the Dewsbury Town Deal Board, be noted.
- 2) That the level of match funding required to deliver projects, and that provision for this will be made in the forthcoming capital plan, be noted.
- 3) That it be noted that the Dewsbury Town Deal Board may make final changes to the Town Investment Plan prior to its formal submission at the end of January 2021.
- 4) That the Dewsbury Town Investment Plan be submitted to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government before the end of January 2021.
- 5) That, pursuant to (4) above the Director of Growth and Regeneration, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Regeneration and the Dewsbury Town Deal Board, negotiate and agree the terms of any Town Deal and any ancillary agreements required.
- 6) That, following the approval of the Dewsbury Town Investment Plan, the Chief Executive be authorised to enter into any grant agreement between the Council and the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government in respect of any Town Deal, and any ancillary agreements required.
- 7) That the Council's role as 'Accountable Body' for the Dewsbury Town Investment Plan and Dewsbury Town Deal Board be noted and endorsed.

11: Locality Based Unclassified Roads Programme

To consider the methodology designed to engage with Councillors and the allocation of funding for the delivery of a £15M locality based unclassified road programme.

Wards affected: All

Contact: Kathryn Broadbent, Environmental Services

- 1) That the methodology for place-based Councillor engagement, as set out within the considered report, be approved.

- 2) That (i) the funding allocation and (ii) the creation of a detailed locality unclassified roads programme to the value of £11.8m, as set out at Appendix A, be approved.
- 3) That authority be delegated to the Service Director (Environment), in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment to enable amendments in accordance with the Council's financial regulations for the purposes of expediting efficient delivery of this programme.

12: Kingsgate Phase 2 - Funding from the Property Investment Fund

To consider a request for loan support from the Property Investment Fund towards the remodelling of the Kingsgate Centre.

Wards affected: Newsome

Contact: Liz Jefferson / Adele Buckley, Economy and Infrastructure

- 1) That approval be given to a loan from the Property Investment Fund for the remodelling of the Kingsgate Centre, in accordance with the detail as set out within the exempt report at Agenda Item 15.
- 2) That the Strategic Director (Growth and Regeneration), in consultation with the Cabinet Members for Regeneration and Corporate Services, having sought advice from the Service Director (Legal, Governance and Commissioning) and the Service Director (Finance) be authorised to carry out appropriate due diligence on the proposal to offer a loan from the Property Investment Fund, including due diligence on WD's latest business plan.
- 3) That the Service Director (Legal, Governance and Commissioning) be authorised to enter into any documentation required to agree the Property Investment Fund loan and to protect the Council's position as lender.