



Epping Forest District Council

DECISIONS

Committee:	CABINET
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3. MINUTES

Decision:

The Minutes of the Cabinet meetings held on 14th September 2020 be taken as read and would be signed by the Leader as a correct record.

7. THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN EF DISTRICT DURING COVID 19, 2020 - #YOURSAY SURVEY

Decision:

1. The Cabinet received and acknowledged the #Your Say survey report and findings undertaken by the Epping Forest Youth Council, supported by the Council's Community, Culture and Wellbeing service.
2. The Cabinet noted that Service providers worked together to address the increasing pressures on young people's poor mental health and their concerns about their future educational opportunities;
3. The Cabinet noted that officers would ensure that appropriate work identified as a result of the Survey would fit with and contribute to the Council's Economic Development – Local Skills and Opportunities project; and
4. The Cabinet noted that the Youth Council would:
 - continue the work with the CCG and introduce Youth Council representation on the Citizens Panel (One Health & Care Partnership);
 - Continue promotion of youth activities and youth groups via the EFYC Youth Activities Map to encourage motivation and positive mental health and wellbeing;
 - Provide training through partnership working for the Youth Council to address the issues raised in the report and signpost young people to relevant services such as bereavement, counselling services and J9 training.
5. The Housing and Community Services Portfolio Holder in conjunction with the Community and Regulatory Services Portfolio Holder and relevant officers explore the above recommendations in order to find the best way to take them forward.

8. GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION ON THE PLANNING WHITE PAPER 'PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE'

Decision:

- (1) The Cabinet agreed the response to the Government White Paper '*Planning for the Future*' issued on 6 August 2020 for consultation.
- (2) Following the members workshop on the White Paper the

comments made then were to be added to the Council's response. These comments were to be gathered together and reproduced in the Council Bulletin.

9. DRAFT SUSTAINABILITY GUIDANCE FOR THE DISTRICT AND HARLOW AND GILSTON GARDEN TOWN

Decision:

(1) The Cabinet agreed that the Draft EFDC Sustainability Guidance documents (Major Developments and Minor Developments) and Draft HGGT Sustainability Guidance and Checklist (Strategic Sites) be approved for public consultation for a six week period;

(2) The Cabinet agreed that the Planning Services Director, in consultation with the Planning Portfolio Holder be authorised to make minor amendments to the Draft EFDC Sustainability Guidance (Major Developments and Minor Developments) prior to the public consultation;

(3) The Cabinet noted that, following consultation, and any subsequent revisions to the documents, it was intended that the final EFDC Sustainability Guidance and Checklists (Major Developments and Minor Developments), would be considered by Cabinet for endorsement as a material planning consideration for the preparation of masterplans, pre-application advice, assessing planning applications and any other development management purposes within the District;

(4) The Cabinet noted that, following consultation, and any subsequent revisions to the documents, it was intended that the final HGGT Sustainability Guidance & Checklist, would be agreed as a material planning consideration for the preparation of masterplans, pre-application advice, assessing planning applications and any other development management purposes within the Harlow & Gilston Garden Town.

10. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LOCAL PLAN: UPDATE ON PROGRESS

Decision:

(1) The Cabinet noted the progress of Masterplans and Concept Frameworks, including the use of Planning Performance Agreements and the progress of other proposals at pre-application and application stage; and

(2) The Cabinet agreed the Infrastructure Funding Statement 2019/2020 for online publication by 31 December 2020.

11. COUNCIL HOUSE BUILDING PROGRESS REPORT AND FUTURE APPROACH TO SITE SELECTION

Decision:

The Cabinet noted the contents of the Progress Report on Phases 3 and 4 and the approach to site selection of phase 5, of the Council House Building Programme.

12. REVENUE AND CAPITAL OUTTURN 2019/20

Decision:

- (1) The Cabinet noted the Revenue outturn for 2019/20 for the General Fund and Housing Revenue Account (HRA) as presented within the report;
- (2) The Cabinet noted the General Fund Reserve position as presented in Section 4 of the report;
- (3) The Cabinet noted the HRA Balance set out in Section 4, including the retention of £0.5 million originally approved for transfer to the Self-Financing Financing Reserve (prior to consideration for approval by Cabinet); and
- (4) The Cabinet noted the Capital Programme outturn for 2019/20 as presented within the report.

13. COVID 19 DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS - UPDATE 1

Decision:

- (1) The Cabinet reviewed and discussed the scope and progress of the Covid Recovery projects detailed within the report and agreed that the project 'Digital Engagement & Gateway for Place' be withdrawn; and
- (2) The Cabinet reviewed and noted the overview of the project portfolio across the council.

14. QUALIS QUARTERLY MONITORING REPORT - Q3 2019/20

Decision:

The Cabinet discussed and noted the Qualis Quarterly Monitoring report .

15. QUARTER 1 BUDGET MONITORING REPORT (GENERAL FUND)

Decision:

The Cabinet discussed and noted the contents of the report.

