



**DECISIONS**

<b>Committee:</b>	<b>CABINET</b>
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	<b>7 March 2022</b>

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This document lists the decisions that have been taken by the Cabinet at its meeting held on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> March 2022, which require publication in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000. The list specifies those decisions, which are eligible for call-in and the date by which they must be called-in.

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**3. Minutes**

**Decision:**

That the minutes of the Cabinet meetings held on 25 January and 7 February 2022 be taken as read and would be signed by the Leader as a correct record.

**7. Council Housebuilding Cabinet Committee - 13 December 2021**

**Decision:**

That the minutes of the Council Housebuilding Cabinet Committee held on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2021 be noted.

**8. EFDC Sustainability Guidance Volume 3 (Extension & Refurbishments)**

**Decision:**

(1) The Cabinet noted the public consultation process and outcomes and endorsed the Epping Forest District Council (EFDC) Sustainability Guidance and Checklist Volume 3: Refurbishment and Extensions as a material planning consideration for pre-application advice, assessing planning applications and any other development management purposes within the District.

(2) The Cabinet agreed that the Planning Services Director, in consultation with the Planning and Sustainability Portfolio Holder be authorised to make minor amendments to the EFDC Sustainability Guidance and Checklist Volume 3: Refurbishment and Extension.

**9. Covid 19 Development Plan - Travel Local Demand Responsive (DRT) Trial**

**Decision:**

1) The Cabinet agreed to continue the service in its current form and cost, adding a trial of EV vehicles and accepting that better opportunities may arise to deliver a full DRT app-based zonal service elsewhere;

(2) The Cabinet noted that the Council had delivered an important 'service of last resort' in 21/22 for key workers, some regular commuters/users and a rural community otherwise left with almost no bus service; and

(3) That further funding merited due to extreme challenges posed by Covid-19 conditions – as one third of interest had been from Harlow residents, Harlow's (and ECC's) financial support should also be sought in 22/23.

## **10. Allocations Policy**

### **Decision:**

- (1) The Cabinet considered and agreed the 5 major changes and 11 minor changes to the current Allocations Scheme contained within this report;
- (2) The Cabinet approved the publication of the proposed revised Housing Allocations Scheme for 2022 – 2027, at Appendix 1 of the report, on 4 April 2022 with an effective date of 12 September 2022
- (3) The Cabinet considered the outcome and approved the publication of the Stage 2 Public Consultation Report on the Allocations Scheme; and
- (4) Agreed that the Allocations Scheme for 2022 -2027 be reviewed in the Council year leading up to 2027.

## **11. Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy**

### **Decision:**

- (1) The Cabinet considered and agreed the five proposed priorities and associated themes within the draft Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy 2022 – 2027 at Appendix 1 of the report.
- (2) The Cabinet considered the findings and approved the publication of the Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Review 2020/21 at Appendix 2 of the report.
- (3) The Cabinet considered the findings and approved the publication of the Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Stage 2 Consultation Report at Appendix 3 of the report.
- (4) The Cabinet delegated authority to the Portfolio Holder for Housing Services to consider and approve the annual update of the Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy Action Plan.
- (5) The Cabinet agreed that the Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy for 2022-2027 be reviewed in the Council year leading up to 2027.

## **12. Tenancy Policy**

### **Decision:**

- (1) The Cabinet considered the review of the current Tenancy Policy;
- (2) The Cabinet approved the proposal for two material changes to be made to the terms of the current policy that reflect the Council's statutory obligations;

- (3) The Cabinet agreed to renew the Tenancy Policy for the period 2022-2027; and
- (4) The Cabinet approved the publication of the draft refreshed Tenancy Policy 2022 -2027 at Appendix 1 of the report.

**13. Proposed Site Disposals to Qualis for Redevelopment**

**Decision:**

- (1) The Cabinet agreed to the disposals of Pyrles Lane to Qualis for £900,000 and;
- (2) The Cabinet agreed to the disposal of Units 50, 51-52, 60 and Unit 10 Cartersfield Road, Waltham Abbey to Qualis for £2,930,000.