

MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND CABINET

Wednesday, 28 February 2018 at 6.00 pm

PRESENT: Sir Steve Bullock (Mayor), Councillors Alan Smith, Chris Best, Kevin Bonavia, Janet Daby, Joe Dromey, Damien Egan, Paul Maslin and Joan Millbank.

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor John Muldoon.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Rachel Onikosi.

172. Declaration of Interests

None were made.

173. Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on February 7 2018 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

174. Young Mayor Budget Paper

The Young Mayor's budget proposals were presented by the outgoing Young Mayor, Kayla Sh'ay and five of the Young Advisors. She and her team answered questions posed by Cabinet members and received thanks from the Mayor, who said he was persuaded to accept the proposals.

Having considered an officer report and presentation by the outgoing Young Mayor, Kayla Sh'ay and her advisors and the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Alan Smith, the Mayor:

RESOLVED that the following Young Mayor's budget proposals be approved:

Curriculum for Life £10000
Curriculum for Enterprise £15000

175. Lewisham Gateway

Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Alan Smith, the Mayor, for the reasons set out in the report:

RESOLVED that:

(1) the HIF contribution of £10m be accepted on the basis set out;

(2) the contribution of £9.6m of section 106 (s106) funds to match fund the HIF funding and support the delivery of additional affordable housing on the Lewisham Gateway scheme be approved, subject to planning permission for the scheme being approved and the signing of a section 106 agreement to provide a long-term commitment to retaining the units as affordable housing; and

(3) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Resources and Regeneration, in consultation with the Head of Planning and the Head of Law, to finalise the terms of the funding allocation and any associated documentation and to enter into the associated funding agreement.

176. Establishment of Lewisham Learning Partnership

Having considered an officer report and a formal presentation by the Cabinet Member for Children & Young People, Councillor Paul Maslin, the Mayor, for the reasons set out in the report:

RESOLVED that:

(1) the Council formally join the Lewisham Learning Partnership, working alongside all the borough's schools to secure school improvement.

(2) the governance arrangements for the Partnership, including the representation from the council and the funding arrangements be noted.

177. Catford Masterplan Brief

The Mayor welcomed the proposals and said a transformational opportunity existed for Catford in which the Council would be a major player given the extent of its landholdings.

Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Alan Smith, the Mayor, for the reasons set out in the report:

RESOLVED that:

(1) the draft Catford Town Centre Masterplan brief be approved and the procurement approach for engaging an architect to develop a masterplan for the Town Centre be noted; and

(2) officers provide an update to Mayor and Cabinet at an appropriate point during the development of the Masterplan.

178. Torridon Amalgamation

The Mayor was advised by the Executive Director of Children & Young People's representative that in order to complete the statutory process it was likely a late report would be required at the April 18 meeting.

Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Children & Young People, Councillor Paul Maslin, the Mayor, for the reasons set out in the report:

RESOLVED that:

(1) the results of the consultation on the proposal to amalgamate Torridon Infant and Nursery School and Torridon Junior School with effect from 1 September 2018 be received;

(2) the tight timescale that officers and the Governing Bodies are working to, to enable a decision in April 2018 allowing Governing Bodies to conduct the necessary recruitment process for headship of the school(s) for the Autumn term;

(3) officers commence the formal statutory process to consult on the proposal to amalgamate Torrington Infant and Nursery School and Torrington Junior School, by way of conducting the following Publication and Representation phases in parallel;

o Closure of Torrington Junior School

o Change of age range of Torrington Infant and Nursery School

(4) officers report back to Mayor and Cabinet on 18 April 2018 with the results of both 'Representation' periods requesting Mayoral decisions as the statutory decision maker.

179. Sandhurst Amalgamation Decision

The Mayor was advised by the Executive Director of Children & Young People's representative that all responses to the consultation had been in support of the proposals.

Having considered an officer report and a formal presentation by the Cabinet Member for Children & Young People, Councillor Paul Maslin, the Mayor, for the reasons set out in the report:

RESOLVED that:

(1) the results of the period of representation on both the proposal to close Sandhurst Junior School and the proposal to change the age range of Sandhurst Infant School, with effect from 1 April 2018 be received;

(2) if decisions are taken to close Sandhurst Junior School and change the age range of Sandhurst Infant School, a new Instrument of Government of the remaining school be developed and brought back to the Mayor for approval;

(3) Sandhurst Junior School be closed as of 1 April 2018; and

(4) the age range of Sandhurst Infant School be changed to include Key Stage 2 as of 1 April 2018

180. Watergate Expansion Decision

The Mayor was advised by the Executive Director of Children & Young People's representative that the expansion required planning permission.

Having considered an officer report and a formal presentation by the Cabinet Member for Children & Young People, Councillor Paul Maslin, the Mayor, for the reasons set out in the report:

RESOLVED that:

(1) the results of the period of representation on the proposal to expand Watergate School be received; and

(2) Watergate School be expanded by 59 places (from 108 to 167) with an implementation date of September 2019.

181. Greenvale Expansion Decision

The Mayor was advised by the Executive Director of Children & Young People's representative that the expansion required planning permission.

Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Children & Young People, Councillor Paul Maslin, the Mayor, for the reasons set out in the report:

RESOLVED that:

(1) the results of the period of representation on the proposal to expand Greenvale School be received; and

(2) Greenvale School be expanded by 93 places (from 117 to 210) through the provision of an annexe on Mayow Road, SE23 2XH, with an implementation date of September 2019.

182. New Woodlands Age range

The Mayor was advised by the Executive Director of Children & Young People's representative that works to deliver a Key Stage 4 expansion would require planning permission.

Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Children & Young People, Councillor Paul Maslin, the Mayor, for the reasons set out in the report:

RESOLVED that:

(1) the results of the period of representation on the proposal to change the age range of New Woodlands School be received; and

(2) New Woodlands School change its age range to include Key Stage 4 with an implementation date of September 2018.

183. New Homes Programme Update

The Mayor was advised by the Executive Director for Customer Services representative that two of the sites had proved contentious and it was anticipated the detail could be resolved in the planning process.

Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Damien Egan, the Mayor, for the reasons set

out in the report:

RESOLVED that:

(1) the progress made on the New Homes, Better Places Programme be noted;

(2) the design development and consultation which has been carried out on the proposed development at Bampton Estate (50 homes), summarised at section 6 be noted;

(3) the design development and consultation which has been carried out on the proposed development at Hillcrest Estate (22 Homes), summarised at section 7 be noted;

(4) having considered the responses to the consultation, Lewisham Homes proceed to submit planning applications to deliver 50 new Council homes at Bampton Estate;

(5) having considered the responses to the consultation, Lewisham Homes proceed to submit planning applications to deliver 22 new Council homes at Hillcrest Estate;

(6) the design changes to both Grace Path and Silverdale Hall since their Mayoral approval be approved and notes that planning applications for the newly configured projects will be submitted in March

184. Demolition of 57-242 Lethbridge Close

The Mayor was advised by the Executive Director for Customer Services representative that in paragraph 6.4 of the report, 128 out of the 132 properties were now empty and had been decommissioned, and that in paragraph 6.6 of the report 45 out of the 52 properties were now empty and had been decommissioned.

Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Damien Egan, the Mayor, for the reasons set out in the report:

RESOLVED that:

(1) the progress of the Heathside and Lethbridge Regeneration Scheme and the current position in relation to Phases 5 and 6 as set out be noted;

(2) a licence be granted to Family Mosaic on the terms set out to demolish the blocks in Phases 5 and 6 (comprising 57-106 Lethbridge Close, 107-134 Lethbridge Close, 135-162 Lethbridge Close, 163 – 190 Lethbridge Close, 191 – 218 Lethbridge Close and 219 – 242 Lethbridge Close) as soon as vacant possession of Phases 5 and 6 has been obtained by the Council;

(3) authority be delegated to the Head of Law to finalise the terms of the demolition licence with Family Mosaic; and

(4) once detailed planning permission for Phases 5 and 6 has been obtained by Family Mosaic, a further report be brought to Mayor and Cabinet in due course to agree the final Project Brief for Phases 5 and 6 and the final terms of transfer of the land to Family Mosaic.

185. Healthier Communities SC SP review

The report was briefly presented by Councillor John Muldoon, the Chair of the Healthier Communities Select Committee, who described the background to the review and touched upon the inspiration offered by philosopher Theodore Zeldin who had twice visited Lewisham.

Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Chair of the Healthier Communities Select Committee, Councillor John Muldoon the Mayor:

RESOLVED that the views and recommendations of the Committee set out be received and the Executive Director for Community Services be asked to prepare a response for Mayoral consideration and reporting to the Healthier Communities Select Committee.

186. Excalibur Regeneration Update part 1

Councillor Janet Daby, a local ward member, welcomed the scheme which she regarded as a high quality success story.

Having considered an open and a confidential officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Damien Egan, the Mayor, for the reasons set out in the report:

RESOLVED that:

(1) the programme update be noted;

(2) the inclusion of 8 Ector Road, a vacant Council-owned property, within Phase 3 of the scheme be approved;

(3) subject to the consent of the Secretary of State being obtained under Section 19 of the Housing Act 1985 in respect of the parts of the land consisting of dwellings, agrees to the appropriation of the Council owned land within Phase 3 of the Excalibur Estate re-development scheme, shown edged red on the attached plan (excluding the three properties hatched red on the plan), from housing purposes to planning purposes under Section 122 of the Local Government Act 1972;

(4) an application be made to the Secretary of State under Section 19 of the Housing Act 1985 for consent to the appropriation of the parts of the land consisting of dwellings referred to above;

(5) the consent of the Secretary of State is not required in respect of the parts of the Phase 3 land that do not consist of dwellings, shown coloured black on

the plan attached at Appendix B, and that the appropriation of this land will take effect immediately;

(6) the increased budget required for land assembly for Phase 3 be approved; and

(7) the current budget position be noted in relation to Phases 4 and 5, most of which will be recovered from L&Q at the point of land transfer, as set out in a part 2 report.

(8) the financial information provided in the confidential report be noted

(9) the changes to the proposed budget requirements as set out in the confidential report be noted.

187. Disposal of the Former Saville Centre

Item withdrawn.

188. Exclusion of Press and Public

RESOLVED that in accordance with Regulation 4(2)(b) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information)(England) Regulations 2012 and under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs [3, 4 and 5] of Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of the Act, and the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

18. Excalibur Regeneration Update part 2.

20. Pupil Places Programme – SEND School Expansions (Greenvale, Watergate and New Woodlands).

21. Miscellaneous Debt Write-Off.

189. Excalibur Regeneration Update part 2

This report was considered in conjunction with the Part 1 item.

190. Disposal of the Former Saville Centre

Item withdrawn.

191. SEND Expansions

Having considered a confidential officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Children & Young People, Councillor Paul Maslin, the Mayor, for the reasons set out in the report:

RESOLVED that:

(1) the procurement route to be used in order to deliver the capital works for the expansion of Watergate and Greenvale SEND schools be noted and that officers are in the process of appointing a provider to undertake multi-disciplinary services up to RIBA stage 6 for remodelling of New Woodlands;

(2) the indicative total budget to deliver the works be approved, on the understanding a further report be presented for the award of the construction contracts for Greenvale, Watergate and New Woodlands after the detailed design stage is complete;

(3) officers be authorised to proceed with the procurement of the demolition of the former Brent Knoll School building on Mayow Road, and authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Resources and Regeneration to enter into a contract for the works;

(4) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Resources and Regeneration to enter into a Pre-Construction Services Agreement for Watergate and Greenvale forming stage one of the proposed two-stage Design and Build process that will be used to deliver each scheme.

192. Miscellaneous Debt Write-Off

Having considered a confidential officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Resources, Councillor Kevin Bonavia, the Mayor, for the reasons set out in the report:

RESOLVED that the write-off of unrecoverable debts to the value of £205,803.32 as set out be approved.

The meeting closed at 7.10pm.