

**Horsham District Council – Decisions taken by the Cabinet on Thursday, 20 July 2023**

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| <b>Part A – Items considered in public</b> |  |   |
| <b>A6</b>                                  | Conservation Area Assessment and Designation: Horsham (Park Terrace Gardens) | Item was withdrawn to enable further consideration of consultation responses.   |
| <b>A7</b>                                  | Land Charges - Fees  | <p><b>RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL</b></p> <p>To approve the increase in the Land Charge fee for the additional optional questions from £21 (+ VAT) to £26 (+ VAT)</p> <p>REASON</p> <p>To ensure that the Land Charge search fee charged by Horsham District Council fully covers the costs of undertaking the searches.</p>   |
| <b>A8</b>                                  | Rampion 2 Development Consent Order - Governance Arrangements                | <p><b>RESOLVED</b></p> <p>(i) To delegate authority to the Director of Place, in consultation with the Cabinet Members for Planning and Infrastructure and Local Economy and Place and Local Members in Wards affected by the onshore cable route and substation to respond to procedural consultations and engagement as part of the Development Consent Order application process in respect of the Rampion 2 DCO.</p> <p>(ii) To delegate authority to the Director of Place, in consultation with the Cabinet Members for Planning and Infrastructure and Local Economy and Place and Local Members, to respond to procedural consultations and engagement as part of the Development Consent Order application process in respect of all future DCO's that impact on Horsham district.</p> <p>REASON</p> |

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|                |                                     | <p>(i) Rampion 2 DCO delegation:</p> <p>Without delegated authority it is unlikely that the Council will be able to effectively engage with the Rampion 2 DCO process. If responses are not submitted in accordance with the statutory timescales they cannot be taken into account. Without the requested Rampion 2 DCO delegation in place, this could result in a recommendation from the Planning Inspectorate (PINS) to the Secretary of State, to permit or refuse a development consent which does not fully take account of impacts upon Horsham District.</p> <p>(ii) General DCO delegation:</p> <p>To negate the requirement to seek Cabinet’s approval to participate in any DCO processes each time the occasion arises.</p> |
| <b>A9</b>      | Concessions Policy                  | <p><b>RESOLVED</b></p> <p>To approve the Concessions Policy as set out in the appendix to the report.</p> <p><b>REASON</b></p> <p>Horsham District Council does not currently have a policy that ensures a fair and consistent approach to applications to operate concessions from its sites. The recommendation will provide this, and ensure that any approved applications are properly considered with involvement from the relevant Cabinet Member and Ward Members.</p>  |
| <b>A10</b>     | Housing Grants - Approval of Budget | <p><b>RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL</b></p> <p>(i) To approve the receipt and expenditure of two grants in the sum of (i) £271,911 for Homeless Prevention Grant top up, and (ii) £72,000 for Home Office Asylum Dispersal Grant.</p>  |

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|                |   | <p>(ii) To approve an increase in the housing team's 2023/24 revenue income and expenditure budgets of £343,911 to cater for the receipt of the two subject grants.</p> <p>REASON</p> <p>(i) Increasing the revenue income and expenditure budgets in the Housing Service will allow the Council to receive and spend the grants offered by DLUHC.</p> <p>(ii) Full Council must approve an increase to the housing team's budget.</p> <p>(iii) To provide appropriate housing options for the cohorts specified in the grant conditions.</p>  |
| <b>A11</b>     | Local Authority Housing Fund Round 2 in 2023 - 24 | <p><b>RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL</b></p> <p>(i) To proceed with the application for, and receipt of, the grant allocation for the Council to provide or facilitate the provision of three large resettlement homes and one temporary accommodation home.</p> <p>(ii) To approve capital spend of £1.78m in the 2023/24 capital programme.</p> <p>REASON</p> <p>(i) To apply for, receive and use the grant to help purchase / provide more affordable homes for the district.</p> <p>(ii) Full Council must approve the capital budget.</p> <p>(iii) Subject to Council approval, to avoid the requirement to seek Cabinet's approval for the purchase by Horsham District Council of each individual property that would otherwise be</p> |

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|  |                                      | required to give effect to this initiative.   |
| <b>Part B – items considered in exempt session</b> |                                      |   |
| <b>A12</b>   | Possible Purchase of Site A          | <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>(i) To approve the acquisition of Site A (at a purchase price that does not exceed that which is detailed in the confidential appendix (“the Limit”)), <b>subject to Council approving the allocation of funds for this acquisition</b>; and</p> <p>(ii) To delegate authority to the Director of Communities, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Leisure, Culture and Green Spaces and the Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources to agree the purchase price (subject to the Limit) and final terms of the acquisition of Site A.</p> <p><b>RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL</b></p> <p>To approve the allocation of funds for the acquisition of Site A subject to the Limit.</p> <p>REASON</p> <p>(i) To ensure the successful acquisition of Site A.</p> <p>(ii) There are community and environmental benefits to acquiring Site A, in particular ensuring that a site that has become a well-used public open space, continues to operate as such.</p> |
| <b>A13</b>   | Possible Property Purchase - Horsham | <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>(i) To approve the acquisition of the property (at a purchase price that does not exceed</p>   |

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|                |       | <p>Figure 1 plus £10,000), <b>subject to full Council approving the allocation of funds for this acquisition;</b></p> <p>(ii) To delegate authority to the Director of Resources in consultation with the Cabinet Members for Local Economy and Place, and, Finance and Resources to approve terms negotiated on behalf of the Council provided that the purchase consideration is less than, or equal to, Figure 1 + £10,000 and the total budget envelope is less than or equal to Figure 2, including costs and the value of works.</p> <p>(iii) To recommend to Council that a capital budget of Figure 2 is allocated to the capital programme in 2023/24 for this purchase.</p> <p>REASON</p> <p>(i) To allow a purchase of the property to proceed.</p> |