

Environment and Sustainability Committee

Decisions taken at the meeting held on Tuesday, 9 November 2021.

Meeting Time:

7.00 pm

Meeting Venue:

Council Chamber, Council Offices, Knowle Green, Staines-upon-Thames TW18 1XB

PRESENT: Councillor Ian Beardsmore (Chairman), Councillor Olivia Rybinski (Vice-Chairman), Councillor John Doran, Councillor Tom Fidler, Councillor Nick Gething, Councillor Michele Gibson, Councillor Kathy Grant, Councillor Thomas Lagden, Councillor Vivienne Leighton, Councillor Sinead Mooney, Councillor Joanne Sexton and Councillor Veena Siva

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings held on 14 September and 6 October 2021 were agreed a correct record.

2. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were none.

3. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Permitted questions were responded to, details of which will be included in the minutes of the meeting.

4. WARD ISSUES

There were none.

5. COLNE VALLEY REGIONAL PARK

The Committee **resolved** to agree to Spelthorne Borough Council re-joining as a member of the Colne Valley Regional Park through a formal agreement.

6. HOUSING DELIVERY TEST ACTION PLAN 2021

The Committee **resolved** to:

1. Approve the Housing Delivery Test Plan subject to the changes outlined during discussion of the item.
2. Delegate authority to the Chair and Vice Chair of the Environment and Sustainability Committee to approve the changes in consultation with the Planning Development Manager, and
3. Publish the agreed final version of the Housing Delivery Test Plan on the Council's website.

7. OUTDOOR GYM EQUIPMENT

It was **resolved** to:

- A. Delegate the appointment of the contractor to the Group Head of Neighbourhood Services in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Environment and Sustainability Committee.
- B. Authorise the Head of Corporate Governance to complete any legal documentation necessary to implement the new contract.

8. REVENUE MONITORING Q2 (JULY - SEPT 2021)

The Committee **resolved** to note the draft forecast outturn for 2021/22 as at 30 September 2021 and the aggregate variances by cost centre reported in Appendix C6.

9. CAPITAL MONITORING Q2 (JULY - SEPT 2021)

The Committee **resolved** to note the current level of underspend on capital expenditure against its Capital Programme provision as at 30 September 2021, which may be subject to change following the Corporate Policy and Resources Committee meeting in November.

10. UPDATES FROM TASK AND FINISH AND/OR WORKING GROUPS

It was resolved to note the updates provided for the following task and finish and working groups.

11. FORWARD PLAN

It was resolved to note the forward plan subject to the additional items agreed at the meeting.

12. URGENT BUSINESS

It was **resolved** to refer the petition "Prevent tower-block developments in the Staines Conservation Area or overlooking the riverfront, and spread the planning housing growth target more evenly across the borough" to the Local Plan Task Group and Staines Development Task Group for further consideration and reported back to the Committee.

NOTES:-

- (1) *Members of the Committee are reminded that the "call-in" procedure as set out in Part 4b Reservation Scheme, of the Constitution, shall not apply to the following matters:*
 - (a) *Urgent decisions as defined in Paragraph 5. of the Reservation Scheme*
 - (b) *Those decisions:*
 - i. *reserved to full Council*
 - ii. *on regulatory matters*
 - iii. *on member conduct issues.*
- (2) *Those matters to which Note (1) applies, if any, are identified with an asterisk [*] in the above Minutes.*
- (3) *Within three working days of the date on which this decision is published, not less than three members from two or more political groups by written notice or e mail may ask for that decision to be referred to the next Council meeting for review and final determination (call-in). This notice must be received by the Proper Officer by 5pm three working days after publication of the decision.*

- (4) *When calling in a decision for review the members doing so should in their notice of "call in":*
- (a) *set out the decision/matter which the members exercising the right of reservation require to be reserved,*
 - (b) *specify the names of the members who have exercised the right of reservation, and*
 - (c) *the reasons why the decision should be referred to Council.*
- (6) *Once the request for 'reservation' has been deemed valid by the Proper Officer the matter will be suspended unless and until it has been approved at the meeting of the Council to which it was referred.*
- (7) *The deadline of three working days for "call in" in relation to the above decisions by the Committee is the close of business on Thursday 18 November 2021.*