

CABINET DECISION NOTICES FOR THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 1 NOVEMBER 2017

**Call-in period:
Monday, 6 November 2017 to
Friday, 10 November 2017**

**Implementation Date:
Monday, 13 November 2017**

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CABINET DECISION NOTICE

Cabinet Area	Operational Partnerships
Title of Report	Water Lane Climbing Wall
Report Reference	REP1714

Purpose of Report

To seek approval for an addition to the Capital Programme to replace the Waterlane Climbing Wall. The current wall has been decommissioned due to Health and Safety concerns.

Cost options range from between £45,000 and £92,586.50. The preferred option will cost £92,586.50.

Options Considered

- Do nothing – This will cost the council £18,083 per annum (£361,660 over the next 20 years) in loss of income and see a drop in participation at Waterlane by 20,000 per year.
- Remove the wall completely – This will incur a significant cost for removal but still result in a loss of income of £18,083 per annum (£361,660 over the next 20 years) and a drop in participation at Waterlane by 20,000.
- Replace existing wall like for like – This will save the council £18,083 per annum (£361,660 over the next 20 years) and retain previous levels of participation.

Reason for Decision

To ensure WDC meets its contractual landlord obligations, mitigate the risk of additional revenue cost and has the opportunity to maximise the performance of the contract position both in terms of participation and income.

CABINET DECISIONS:

1. That the replacement and upgrading of the wall to include an auto-belay system at a cost of £92,586.50 be approved.
2. That Sentinel Leisure Trust manage the operation of the wall in order to increase revenues and membership levels.
3. That KPIs are produced targeting a doubling of climbing wall bookings across 24 months, and that these KPIs are reviewed separately at the SLT/ WDC contract performance meetings.

Declarations of Interest / Conflicts of Interest

None

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CABINET DECISION NOTICE

Cabinet Area	Resources
Title of Report	Capital Grants to Lowestoft Town Council and Oulton Broad Parish Council
Report Reference	REP1715

Purpose of Report

The report seeks approval for the transfer, by way of grants of previously identified and budgeted capital, and revenue planned maintenance funding, in respect of some of the assets transferred to Lowestoft Town Council and Oulton Broad Parish Council.

Options Considered

None. The transfer will enable both Councils to maintain and improve their assets, in line with Waveney District Council's previously approved programmes.

Reason for Decision

The transfer of capital and revenue planned maintenance funding in respect of some of the assets transferred to Lowestoft Town Council and Oulton Broad Parish Council will enable them to maintain and improve these assets, in line with Waveney District Council's previously approved programmes.

CABINET DECISIONS:

1. That the Capital Programme budgets totalling £95,150 over the period 2017/18 to 2020/21 shown in Appendix A are paid to Lowestoft Town Council as Capital Grants on a phased basis in line with the financial years, as outlined in the Appendices.
2. That the Planned Maintenance budgets of £10,000 shown in Appendix A are paid over to Lowestoft Town Council in 2017/18 as revenue grants.
3. That the Planned Maintenance budgets of £17,000 shown in Appendix B are paid over to Oulton Broad Parish Council in 2017/18 as revenue grants.
4. That the Capital Programme budgets totalling £42,600 over the period 2017/18 to 2020/21 shown in Appendix B are paid to Oulton Broad Parish Council as Capital Grants on a phased basis in line with the financial years outlined in the Appendix.

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CABINET DECISION NOTICE

Cabinet Area	Operational Partnerships
Title of Report	Response to First Stage Consultation on the Future Management of Off-Street Car Parks and On-Street Parking Restrictions and Next Steps
Report Reference	REP1690

Purpose of Report

To consider the responses received to the first round of consultation in respect of Off-Street Car Parks and On-Street Parking Restrictions. The Cabinet are also requested to recommend that a second stage of consultation be undertaken, to seek the views of Ward Councillors, Town and Parish Councils, Business Associations and members of the public.

Options Considered

Not to undertake consultations. This was rejected as not being in the best interests of the Council or the District.

Reason for Decision

The Council are asking Members to consider and comment upon the proposals coming out of the 1st stage consultation and to recommend that a second stage of consultation be undertaken. The second stage of consultation would include a Statement of Reasons, Draft Order and Maps and would last for 21 days, ending on 8 December 2017.

Following the responses received to the second round of consultation, a further report would be brought to the Cabinet, at their meeting on 17 January 2018, for consideration. The decisions from that meeting would be implemented in April 2018.

CABINET DECISIONS:

1. That a second stage of consultation is carried out to seek the views of Ward Councillors, Town and Parish Councils, Business Associations and members of the public to changes proposed to be made by WDC to the management of parking.
2. For Southwold:
 - That Blackshore Harbour is added to the Order with the terms and conditions as per the expired experimental order.
 - That Pier Extension is added to the Order with the same tariffs as the Pier Car Park.
 - That Gardner Road Car Park is added to the Order, with tariff rates and short-stay restrictions, to be agreed with Southwold Town Council.
 - To seek to introduce Residents' Parking Zones.
 - That Gardner Road and York Road roadside car parks are added to the Order, both car parks to be uncharged long-stay parking.
3. For Lowestoft:
 - That Albany Road is removed from the Order.
 - That Battery Green Multi-Storey Car Park is removed from the Order.
 - That Battery Green short-stay surface car park is added to the Order with the same tariff and restrictions as Clapham Road Car Park.
 - That a surface car park is created at Newcombe Road with the same tariffs as Tennyson Road and Adrian Road Car Parks.
4. For Oulton Broad:
 - That Everitts Road is added for Off-Street Resident Parking
5. For Beccles:
 - That 3 hour maximum Short Stay parking restrictions are added for a limited number of spaces at Blyburgate Car Park
 - That a 2 hour parking limit is set for some bays on Kilbrack free car park
 - That charges are introduced at Quay North Car Park.
6. For Halesworth:
 - That the current Residents Parking Zones in Chediston Street are extended
 - That the discretionary free 1 hour scheme is made legally enforceable.
7. That applications for Special Filming Permits are enabled.
8. That individual town car park season tickets are created.

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OPEN CABINET DECISION NOTICE – FOR EXEMPT ITEM

Cabinet Area	Tourism & Economic Development
Title of Report	South Beach Vision and Festival (Exempt Report)
Report Reference	REP1723

Purpose of Report

To seek approval to apply for external funding for a 3 year festival programme.

Options Considered

Not to apply for the external funding. This was rejected as not being in best interests of the Council or Lowestoft.

Reason for Decision

To enable the Council to apply for the external funding, which will provide a significant opportunity to raise the profile of Lowestoft as a tourist destination.

CABINET DECISIONS:

1. That the South Beach Vision document, as the basis for the Council's strategic approach to increasing visitor numbers and revenues, be approved.
2. That officer's be authorised to work with key stakeholders, including Waveney Norse and Sentinel Leisure Trust, to develop a Festival in support of the strategic objective. This would be subject to final Cabinet approval and the development of a full business case.
3. That Waveney District Council submits an Expression of Interest, as discussed at the meeting, to secure funding to run a festival.
4. That a presentation of the seafront vision will be delivered to Lowestoft Town Council (LTC) and that LTC is involved in the development and delivery of the Festival.
5. That further business cases outlining investment proposals for key seafront sites are brought to Cabinet for consideration in coming months.

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OPEN CABINET DECISION NOTICE – FOR EXEMPT ITEM

Cabinet Area	Leader of the Council and Resources
Title of Report	Asset Ownership Issues relating to the Third Crossing (Exempt Report)
Report Reference	REP1719

Purpose of Report <p>To identify the probable effects on Council owned land, in relation to the construction of the Third Crossing in Lowestoft.</p>	
Options Considered <p>Not to proactively establish the effects to Council owned land. This was rejected as not being in the best interests of the Council.</p>	
Reason for Decision <p>The Council needs to agree an approach to be taken, in respect of any effects to Council owned land, caused by the construction of the Third Crossing in Lowestoft.</p>	
CABINET DECISIONS: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That a general principle in relation to compensation for the detriment to WDC assets, as outlined within the report (REP1719), be agreed. 2. That, based on this agreed approach, Cabinet authorises officers to engage Suffolk County Council's Project Team to address the asset issues associated with the project. That Delegated Authority be granted to the relevant Strategic Director, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Resources, to give the final agreement for the actions required to the affected assets. 3. That the use of the site, identified in red on the plan, for use during bridge construction, and to retain the ownership of the site after completion of construction works, be agreed. 	
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OPEN CABINET DECISION NOTICE – FOR EXEMPT ITEM

Cabinet Area	Housing
Title of Report	Sale of 4a Rigbourne Hill, Beccles (Exempt Report)
Report Reference	REP1694705

Purpose of Report

To seek approval for the Council to sell 4a Rigbourne Hill, Beccles.

Options Considered

No other options have been considered as the sale of properties is part of a wider adopted strategy of increasing housing stock in East Suffolk. The sale poses no risk to the Council.

Reason for Decision

To facilitate the disposal of a property and financial resources would be made available through the sale. This proposed sale fulfils the ambitions identified in the Business Plan adopted by both Councils.

CABINET DECISIONS:

1. That the sale of 4a Rigbourne Hill, Beccles for the sum as discussed at the meeting be approved and the capital receipt be reinvested to meet the objectives of the Business Plan's strategic ambitions to Enable Communities and increase Economic Growth.
2. That a lease for 4a Rigbourne Hill of the number of years as discussed at the meeting, be granted to the buyer.

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OPEN CABINET DECISION NOTICE – FOR EXEMPT ITEM

Cabinet Area	Housing
Title of Report	Sale of 14 Ballygate, Beccles (Exempt Report)
Report Reference	REP1704

Purpose of Report To seek approval for the Council to sell 14 Ballygate, Beccles.	
Options Considered No other options have been considered as the sale of properties is part of a wider adopted strategy of increasing housing stock in East Suffolk. The sale poses no risk to the Council.	
Reason for Decision The sale will enable financial resources to be made available and this fulfils the ambitions identified in the Business Plan adopted by both Councils.	
CABINET DECISION: That the sale of 14 Ballygate, Beccles, for the sum as discussed at the meeting, be approved and the capital receipt be reinvested to meet the objectives of the Business Plan's strategic ambitions to Enable Communities and increase Economic Growth.	
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OPEN CABINET DECISION NOTICE – FOR EXEMPT ITEM

Cabinet Area	Housing
Title of Report	Purchase of 25 St Peters Court, Lowestoft (Exempt Report)
Report Reference	REP1725

Purpose of Report To seek approval for the Council to purchase 25 St Peters Court, Lowestoft..	
Options Considered No other options have been considered as the purchase of properties is part of a wider adopted strategy of increasing housing stock in East Suffolk. The purchase poses no risk to the Council.	
Reason for Decision The purchase of the flat will assist the Council in managing the current fire protection work to the building and will bring a leasehold flat back into Council ownership.	
CABINET DECISION: That the purchase of 25 St Peters Court, Lowestoft be approved and that Delegated Authority be granted to the Head of Housing, to negotiate the purchase, up to a maximum cost, as discussed at the meeting.	
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OPEN CABINET DECISION NOTICE – FOR EXEMPT ITEM

Cabinet Area	Resources
Title of Report	Purchase of Land in Lowestoft (Exempt Report)
Report Reference	REP1708

Purpose of Report

To seek approval for the Council to purchase some land in Lowestoft.

Options Considered

Not to purchase the land. This was rejected as there would be very little risk to the Council in purchasing this land. If at any point in the future, the Council decides that it no longer required the site, it could sell it as a development opportunity or the Council could develop the land.

Reason for Decision

To secure the re-generation of the Area Action Plan (AAP) and to increase the Council's provision of housing stock.

CABINET DECISIONS:

1. That Waveney District Council proceeds to purchase the freehold of the site, for the sum as discussed at the meeting, and normal disbursement charges.
2. That Delegated Authority be granted to the Strategic Director, in consultation with the Head of Legal and Democratic Services, to conclude the purchases on terms that best protect the interests of the Council.
3. That once purchased, in the short term options are investigated to secure short term income to mitigate any ongoing property costs.
4. That thereafter, the options for this holding are considered in the light of the larger AAP proposals.

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