

7 December 2017



SUFFOLK COASTAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

DECISIONS NOTICE

WEEK ENDING 8 DECEMBER 2017

**DECISIONS BY THE CABINET
CALL IN DEADLINE 5.00 PM ON 14 DECEMBER 2017**

The following decisions have been taken by the Cabinet and will come into effect on 15 December 2017 unless the call-in procedure is activated:

Report Title / Ref No: Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 – Preparations for Implementation (CAB 40/17)

Decision Made by Cabinet:

- (1) That the additional expenditure to the Council's General Fund of up to £210,684 until March 2020 for staffing and other direct costs, including the Rent Guarantee Scheme, as a result of the introduction of the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017, be approved.
- (2) That up to £100,000 use of the Council's Homelessness Reserve to part fund this expenditure, with the remainder to be met from the New Burden funding of £110,684, be approved.

Reason for Decision: To ensure that the Housing Needs Service is prepared for the introduction of the Homelessness Reduction Act.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: None.

Any Declarations of Interest declared: None.

Any Dispensation Granted: None.

Report Title / Ref No: Fees and Charges 2018/19 (CAB 41/17)

Decision Made by Cabinet:

- (1) That the Discretionary Fees and Charges, set out in Appendix A to report CAB 41/17, for implementation from 1 January 2018, or alternative date if specified, be approved.

- (2) That the level of the Fees and Charges set by statute and the timing of any increase in these, as set out in Appendix B to CAB 41/17, be noted.

Reason for Decision: To set the Council's fees and charges from 1 January 2018.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: Not to make changes to fees and charges.

Any Declarations of Interest declared: None.

Any Dispensation Granted: None.

Report Title / Ref No: Organic Waste Recycling (CAB 42/17)

Decision Made by Cabinet:

- (1) That the introduction of a chargeable garden waste collection service starting at the beginning of Suffolk Coastal District Council's financial year, 2018/19, at a charge of £43.00/bin per year, with the offer of an alternative 240L bin, and to allow free inclusion of food waste, subject to further advice, be approved.
- (2) That working with Waveney District Council, a competitive procurement exercise be undertaken to obtain tenders for (a) a garden waste only reception and treatment service and (b) a mixed organic waste reception and treatment service, the contracts for either commencing in April 2019.
- (3) That delegated authority be given to the Strategic Director, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Resources and the Leader of the Council, to award a contract for either (a) a garden waste only reception and treatment service or (b) a mixed organic waste reception and treatment service, the contracts for either commencing in April 2019.

Reason for Decision: While the Council had wished to avoid introducing charges for collecting garden waste, faced with the harsh financial realities of the current situation and the ongoing commitments to planned charges, it was resolved that charges would be introduced.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: Not to introduce charges.

Any Declarations of Interest declared: None.

Any Dispensation Granted: None.

Report Title / Ref No: Remedial Drainage Works and Proposed Extension and Adaptation of the Station, Station Road and the Avenue Car Parks, Woodbridge (CAB 43/17) (Exempt Report)

Decision Made by Cabinet:

That all three recommendations contained within report CAB 43/17 be approved.

Reason for Decision:

To enhance the car park infrastructure at Woodbridge The Station, Station Road and The Avenue Car Parks to maximise car parking provision, improve traffic flow and support the economic viability of the town.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected:

Do nothing, or undertake a scaled down version of the enhancements.

Any Declarations of Interest declared:

Councillor Holdcroft declared a Local Non Pecuniary Interest, as Chairman of Woodbridge Town Council's Highway Committee, and as Director of Choose Woodbridge.

Any Dispensation Granted: None.

**DECISIONS BY INDIVIDUAL CABINET MEMBER
CALL IN DEADLINE 5.00 PM ON 14 DECEMBER 2017**

No decisions were taken by individual Cabinet Members this week.

**DECISIONS BY INDIVIDUAL AUTHORISED OFFICERS
IN RESPECT OF KEY DECISIONS
CALL IN DEADLINE 5.00 PM ON 14 DECEMBER 2017**

No decisions were taken by individual authorised officers this week.

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