

Decisions taken by the Cabinet on 23 September 2021



Lewes District Council

Notice dated: 23 September 2021

Issued to the chairman, members of the Policy and Performance Advisory Committee and other Councillors for information.

Key decisions will be implemented after the expiry of 3 working days from the date of this notice unless “called-in” under the provisions of the council’s policy and performance advisory procedure rules (see end of document for call-in procedure) or implemented sooner by reason of urgency.

Please refer to the relevant cabinet agenda and reports when reading this notice. The minutes of the meeting of the cabinet containing a full record of the proceedings will be published in due course. To view on-line follow this link to the relevant pages on the council’s website:- <https://democracy.lewes-eastbourne.gov.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=417>

DECISIONS:

Item No	Matter:	Decision:	Reasons for decision:
8	Corporate Plan: Achievements and forward look	(Non-key decision): To note progress with the Corporate Plan aspirations and future plans.	To enable Cabinet members to consider specific aspects of the Council’s progress and performance.
9	Portfolio progress and performance report quarter 1 - 2021-2022	(Non-key decision): To note progress and performance for Quarter 1.	To enable Cabinet members to consider specific aspects of the Council’s progress and performance.

10	Finance update - performance quarter 1 - 2021-2022	<p>(Non-key decision):</p> <p>(1) To note the General Fund, Housing Revenue Account and Collection Fund financial performance for the quarter ended June 2021.</p> <p>(2) To agree the amended capital programme as set out at Appendix 2 to the report.</p>	To enable Cabinet members to consider specific aspects of the Council's financial performance.
11	Medium Term Financial Strategy	<p>(Key decision):</p> <p>To note the background to the Medium Term Financial Strategy for 2022/23 and to approve the approach outlined in the report.</p>	To progress the Medium Term Financial Strategy process and to update Cabinet on the background to this.
12	Housing development update	<p>(Key decision):</p> <p>(1) To approve the project known as the Former Newhaven Police Station, making an allocation within the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Capital Programme of up to £6.2m, in accordance with the business case as set-out at the Exempt Appendix 1 to the report.</p> <p>(2) To approve the Council entering into a construction contract with the preferred bidder to build out the Former Newhaven Police Station, subject to the business case, demolishing the existing buildings and developing 21 new Council homes.</p> <p>(3) To approve the disposal of the two HRA assets identified, in accordance with the business case as set-out at Exempt Appendix 2 to the report, including a policy to ring-fence the capital receipts generated within the annual</p>	To provide updates and secure the necessary approvals to bring forward ongoing key housing development projects within the district, utilising existing assets to deliver highly sustainable Council homes to meet corporate objectives.

		<p>budget to support in the financing of other Council-led housing developments in Lewes town, enabling the re-allocation of retained Right to Buy (RTB) receipts.</p> <p>(4) To authorise the Director of Regeneration and Planning, in consultation with the Portfolio Holders for Housing, Finance, and Assets, also the Chief Finance Officer, to carry out all necessary actions to facilitate the recommendations including feasibility, financing, appointment of professional services, development, sales, lettings, and determining the terms of, and authorising the execution of, all necessary documentation, in accordance with the business case(s).</p>	
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Call-in procedure

Call-in is the procedure whereby a decision of the Cabinet, the Leader or a portfolio holder, or a member or officer with delegated authority (an executive decision), taken but not implemented, may be examined by the Policy and Performance Advisory Committee prior to implementation.

Any Councillor is entitled to submit a request by email setting out the reason why he/she wishes any such decision to be called in by the Policy and Performance Advisory Committee for consideration by a Call-In Panel. The request must be submitted to Democratic Services within three working days of the date of this notice.

Should any request by a councillor be submitted, the Cabinet Officer will then email all members of the Policy and Performance Advisory Committee, advising them of the request for a review.

Members of the Policy and Performance Advisory Committee must decide within two working days if they support the request and if they do, they should email a response to the Committee and Civic Services Manager accordingly. If at least six members of the Committee are in favour of calling in the decision the Chair of the Policy and Performance Advisory Committee will call a Call-In Panel of the Committee within five working days where possible. The number of councillors to serve on a Panel (which shall be politically proportionate except that either the Leader of a political group may decide to offer one of their Group's places to another Group or an Independent member) shall be determined by the Chair with the councillors being nominated by the respective Group Leaders.

The decision of the Cabinet will not be implemented until:

- The time period for call-in has expired and six members of the Policy and Performance Advisory Committee have not stated they are in favour of calling in the decision; or
- A Call-In Panel of the Policy and Performance Advisory Committee considers the matter and resolves not to intervene in the decision of Cabinet; or
- A Call-In Panel of the Policy and Performance Advisory Committee resolves to refer the matter back to Cabinet for further consideration and to take account of any recommendation of the Panel, in which case the Cabinet will reconsider the decision as soon as is reasonably practicable; or
- In the case of any question relating to the budget or policy framework, a Call-In Panel of the Policy and Performance Advisory Committee has reported to the meeting of the Council that will consider the budget or policy framework or any component part of it (if there is insufficient time for the matter to be referred back to the Cabinet).

Once a decision of the Cabinet has been referred to a Call-In Panel of the Policy and Performance Advisory Committee it shall not be subject to further consideration by a Call-In Panel or the Committee itself and shall not again be referred by any individual councillor.

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