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BRECKLAND COUNCIL

At a Meeting of the

CABINET

Held on Tuesday, 25 April 2017 at 9.30 am in
Anglia Room, The Conference Suite, Elizabeth House, Dereham

PRESENT

Mr S H Chapman-Allen (Vice-Chairman)	Mr P. M. M. Dimoglou
Mr S.G. Bambridge	Mr M. S. Robinson
Mr P.D. Claussen	Mrs A M Webb
Mr J.P. Cowen	

Also Present

Mr W.P. Borrett	Councillor M. Chapman-Allen
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In Attendance

Phil Adams	- Executive Manager Public Protection
Alison Chubbock	- Chief Accountant (Deputy Section 151 Officer) (BDC)
Anna Graves	- Chief Executive
Maxine O'Mahony	- Executive Director of Strategy & Governance
Teresa Smith	- Democratic Services Team Leader
Rob Walker	- Executive Director Place

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43/17 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 March 2017 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

44/17 APOLOGIES

An apology had been received from Councillor Nunn.

45/17 URGENT BUSINESS

None.

46/17 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None.

47/17 NON-MEMBERS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE MEETING

Councillors Bill Borrett and Marion Chapman-Allen.

48/17 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (IF ANY)

The Deputy Leader said the Local Plan was progressing well. Members had

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requested if the design build specification could be included within the plan, which would mean the timetable would be delayed approximately 6-weeks.

49/17 BRECKLAND COMMUNITY FUNDING APPLICATIONS (STANDING ITEM)

(a) Match funding for Lyng & District Community Hall

The Executive Member Place was pleased to present the report to members adding that it had been the wish of the Parish Council for many years to replace the existing hall.

The Executive Director Place asked that the recommendation be amended to reflect that due to the grant value requested, it should be a Cabinet decision, and not that of the Executive Member Place.

Councillor Borrett, the Ward Member for Lyng added it had been a very well organised campaign within the village for raising money and fully supported the application.

Councillor Bambridge also added his support.

Councillor Webb referred to the report asking if the planning application had been received. The Executive Director Place confirmed that the funding would not be released until the planning application was in place.

Options

- 1) To fully fund the application set out in the report
- 2) To partly fund the application set out in the report
- 3) Do nothing.

Reasons

The grant application meets the criteria of the scheme.

RESOLVED that Cabinet approve £20,000 (or 2.26% of the project costs, whichever is the lower amount) to Lyng & District Community Hall towards the costs of constructing a replacement village hall.

50/17 CORPORATE DEBT MANAGEMENT & RECOVERY POLICY

The Executive Member Finance presented the report informing Members that the policy is formally reviewed every three years to ensure that it remains up to date and appropriate for the Council and reflect the latest working practices.

Options

- 1) That the corporate debt management recovery policy be approved
- 2) That the corporate debt management recovery policy be amended before being approved.

Reasons

To provide a clear policy and procedure to manage the recovery of Council debt.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Corporate Debt Management Recovery Policy be

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approved.

51/17 NEXT MEETING

The arrangements for the next meeting held on 30 May 2017 in the Norfolk Room, Elizabeth House, Dereham were noted.

52/17 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED that under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 3 and 4 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

53/17 ESTABLISHMENT OF CENTRAL CONTRACTS TEAM (SHARED WITH SOUTH HOLLAND COUNCIL)

The Deputy Leader introduced the report which sought Member approval to establish a Shared Centralised Contracts Team.

The Chief Executive responded to Member questions by confirming that she would update Cabinet Members on how the staffing structure had changed.

In addition, it was agreed that a sub-group of Cabinet would be set up to look at Contracts and focus on the outputs, not the process.

It was **RESOLVED** that Members approved the recommendations.

The meeting closed at 9.52 am

CHAIRMAN