

REPORT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

CABINET DECISIONS – 8 March 2022

1. Events Policy Update

The Cabinet:

- 1.1 Approved the update to the former Events Policy and Events Guide to a single document: the Guide to Putting on an Event or Festival in Lichfield District presented as Appendix 1 of the Cabinet report.
- 1.2 Delegated the approval of event applications to a panel of three officers selected and led by the Events Officer. Any recommendations to refuse event applications will be confirmed by the Head of Operational Services.

2. Corporate Peer Challenge Action Plan

The Cabinet:

- 2.1 Accepted the recommendations provided in the Corporate Peer Challenge Report as set out in Appendix 1 of the Cabinet report.
- 4.3 Approved the action plan developed to respond to the recommendations in Appendix 2 of the Cabinet report and will review this action plan after 6 months.

3 Community Power Strategy

The Cabinet:

- 3.1 Approved the Community Power Strategy as set out in Appendix 1 of the Cabinet report.

CABINET DECISIONS – 5 April 2022

4. Local Council Tax Support Scheme Review

The Cabinet:

- 4.1 Approved the scope of the LCTSS review.
- 4.2 Approved the outcomes shown at para 3.19 of the Cabinet report that we are seeking to achieve with LCTSS.
- 4.3 Noted Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be involved with the review of the scheme.

- 4.4 Agreed the contract for the Interim Revenue & Benefits Manager is extended initially for a further 2 months until 1 September 2022, to be in line with the implementation of the Target Operating Model.

5 Pensions Contributions

The Cabinet:

- 5.1 Approved that the contribution strategy is based on the Pension Fund Actuary's alternative strategy for the period 2023/24 to 2025/26.
- 5.2 Approved the upfront payment of the secondary element in advance (option 2B in the Cabinet report) in April 2023 and to update the Medium Term Financial Strategy for 2023/24 to 2025/26.
- 5.3 Noted that the MTFS for 2026/27 onwards will be based on the Actuary's current preferred strategy and an upfront payment (option 1B in the Cabinet report).

CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS

6 Contract for Anti-virus and Firewalls

The Cabinet Member for Innovation & Corporate Services approved a contract with Softcat for the delivery of anti-virus and firewall services for a period of 3 years.

7 Contract for Contact Centre and Telephony

The Cabinet Member for Innovation & Corporate Services approved a contract with 8x8 for the delivery of contact centre and telephony services for a period of 3 years.

8 COVID Additional Relief Fund (CARF)

The Cabinet Member for Finance, Procurement and Revenues & Benefits approved the discretionary policy that will be used for the allocation of the Government grant.

9 Contract for Desktop Productivity

The Cabinet Member for Innovation & Corporate Services approved a contract with Phoenix as the reseller for the delivery of desktop and server operating systems and associated for a period of 3 years.

Doug Pullen
Leader of the Council