

West Suffolk Council

Cabinet Decisions Notice (Published: Thursday 27 June 2019)

The following decisions were taken by the Cabinet on **Tuesday 25 June 2019** and, if not called in by Councillors, will come into operation on Friday 5 July 2019. This procedure does not however, apply to decisions that have been recommended to Council for a final decision (and which are also indicated within the decisions below). An executive decision may be called in, in accordance with the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Procedure Rules contained within Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, by at least five Councillors submitting the required call-in request form to the Assistant Director (HR, Legal and Democratic Services) (e-mail: democratic.services@westsuffolk.gov.uk) **by 5.00 pm on Thursday 4 July 2019**.

Should you have a query regarding any of the decisions taken, contact should be made with the named officer in the first instance, either on the telephone number listed against their name, or via email using the format firstname.surname@westsuffolk.gov.uk. Alternatively, you may also contact the relevant Portfolio Holder on the telephone number listed against their name, or via email using the format firstname.surname@westsuffolk.gov.uk. Contact may also be made via Democratic Services, West Suffolk Council, West Suffolk House, Western Way, Bury St Edmunds Suffolk, IP33 3YU, or College Heath Road, Mildenhall, IP28 7EY.

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Item No. 7 CAB/WS/19/006	None	<p><u>Proposal to Establish a West Suffolk Rural Taskforce</u></p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A Cabinet Taskforce be established to make recommendations on West Suffolk Council's approach to supporting rural areas. 2. The Terms of Reference for the Taskforce be approved, as set out in Appendix A to Report No: CAB/WS/19/006. 	<p>This review would encompass all of West Suffolk's areas, in order to understand the issues and opportunities that all rural or all urban areas have in common, as well as those facing specific localities.</p> <p>The review would draw on existing evidence and research produced by other bodies. In response to this evidence review, the Taskforce would develop options both to directly address some of the issues identified and also to ensure rural considerations were taken into account in future Council processes and decision making.</p>	<p>The alternative option was to not establish a West Suffolk Rural Taskforce. However, this could mean that the needs and priorities of West Suffolk's more rural areas were overlooked in future decision making and strategy formulation.</p>	<p><u>Portfolio Holder:</u> Cllr John Griffiths 07958 700434</p> <p><u>Officer:</u> David Collinson Assistant Director (Planning and Regulatory Services) 01284 757306</p>

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			The proposed outputs from the Taskforce were expected to be interim recommendations to Cabinet on 10 September 2019 for how taking forward the lead options identified for addressing rural challenges and embedding rural considerations in the Council's ways of working. The Taskforce would then make a final report to Cabinet on 26 November 2019.		
Item No. 8 CAB/WS/19/007	None	<p><u>Review of West Suffolk Council Grants to External Organisations</u></p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A Cabinet Taskforce be established to carry out a review of West Suffolk Council's Grants to External Organisations. 2. The Terms of Reference for the Taskforce be approved, as set out in Report No: CAB/WS/19/007. 	<p>The aim of the review was to ensure that locality budgets, grants and reliefs made from 1 April 2020 were aligned to the Council's strategic objectives and offer value for money.</p> <p>The proposed review would only cover grant and relief schemes which were entirely discretionary or funded by West Suffolk Council and where the Council is not under a duty to have a scheme or operate the scheme in a certain way.</p> <p>Therefore, the review would cover the following existing schemes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Families and Communities grants - Leisure and Culture grants - Economic development grants - Environment/sustainability grants <p>In order for the Taskforce to shape the Council's approach to locality</p>	<p>The alternative option was to not review how West Suffolk Council awards locality budgets, grants and reliefs. However, by not carrying out the review it would not be possible to ensure that the Council was being consistent across West Suffolk with how locality budgets, grants and reliefs were awarded and that the schemes were in line with the Council's strategic priorities.</p>	<p><u>Portfolio Holder:</u> Cllr Robert Everitt 01284 769000</p> <p><u>Officer:</u> Davina Howes Assistant Director (Families and Communities) 01284 757070</p>

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			budgets, grants and reliefs, the Cabinet would be informed of initial findings and feedback on 10 September 2019. Final recommendations would be made to Cabinet on 26 November 2019 in order to ensure that stakeholder and Member feedback could be fully taken into account.		
Item No. 11 Exempt Report: CAB/WS/19/009	None	<u>Exempt: Investing in our Commercial Asset Portfolio (para 3)</u> RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL: (16 July 2019) The recommendations were approved as set out in Exempt Report No: CAB/WS/19/009.	The reasons for the decision were set out in Exempt Report No: CAB/WS/19/009	The alternative options were set out in Exempt Report No: CAB/WS/19/009.	<u>Portfolio Holder:</u> Cllr Susan Glossop 01284 728377 <u>Officer:</u> Julie Baird Assistant Director (Growth) 01284 757613

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