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MINUTES OF A CABINET MEETING Council Chamber - Town Hall Wednesday, 28 September 2022 (7.30 - 8.40 pm)

Present:

(Leader of the Council), Chairman

Councillor Keith Darvill

Councillor Gillian Ford

Councillor Oscar Ford

Councillor Paul Middleton

Councillor Ray Morgon

Councillor Barry Mugglestone

Councillor Christopher Wilkins

Councillor Graham Williamson

Cabinet Member responsibility:

Lead Member for Climate Change

Lead Member for Adults and Health

Lead Member for Children and
Young People

Lead Member for Corporate Culture
and Leisure Services

Leader of the Council

Lead Member for Environment

Lead Member for Finance and
Transformation

Lead Member for Development and
Regeneration

22 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Members were advised of the actions to be taken in case of an emergency.

23 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

24 **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of interests.

25 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 6th July were agreed and the Chairman signed them as a correct record.

26 **JULY FINANCE REVIEW 2022/23**

The July Finance Review 2022/23 was presented to Cabinet.

Members noted that the majority of the budget is spent on Adult and Children's services, which overspent in the previous year, and the Council would need to make a saving of £70 million over the next 4 years. Members expressed concern with the level of savings to be made and agreed that lobbying the Government for additional funding needed to continue.

The following were agreed:

- **Noted** the revenue and Capital financial positions at Period 3 and the action plans being taken by services to reduce the overspend (section 4)
- **Noted** the Medium Term Financial Strategy and agree the budget timetable set out in section 5
- **Agreed** the Public Consultation process set out in section 6

27 **ALL AGE AUTISM STRATEGY 2022-2025**

Cabinet was presented with the All Age Autism Strategy 2022-25.

It was explained to Cabinet members that a large number of stakeholders had been contacted within the consultation and there was a large responses via hard copies. Members noted that strategy had started in 2018 but was delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Cabinet noted the strategy would be reviewed annually to ensure it is a live and moving plan.

The following were agreed:

- * **Reviewed** the changes made to the all age autism strategy as a result of the public consultation
- * **Approved** the publication of the final all-age autism strategy.

28 **REMOVAL OF PARKING RELATED COVID19 SUPPORT MEASURES**

Cabinet considered the removal of parking related COVID-19 support measures.

Members noted that the parking charges would be reversing the parking charges to pre-COVID-19 levels and is estimated to recover around £1 million per year. Cabinet explained that it is committed to undertake a review of the parking charges in the Borough to make sure the right choices are made.

The following were agreed:

- **The removal** of the 20% discount in all Council Car Parks where payment is made via the cashless app;

- **The removal** of the one hour free on-street parking at all Pay & Display locations borough wide;
- **To resume** a charge of £1.50 for 0-1 hour parking at all on-street Pay & Display locations (which is consistent with pre-existing levels and car park tariffs).

Chairman

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