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CABINET

Wednesday, 13th September, 2023

A meeting of the Cabinet is to be held on the above date at 10.30 am at Committee Suite (DAW) - County Hall to consider the following matters.

Donna Manson
Chief Executive

A G E N D A

PART I - OPEN COMMITTEE

1 Apologies for Absence

2 Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 12 July 2023 (previously circulated).

3 Items Requiring Urgent Attention

Items which in the opinion of the Chair should be considered at the meeting as matters of urgency.

4 Announcements

5 Petitions

6 Question(s) from Members of the Council

7 Working Well Together for a Sustainable and Stronger Council (Pages 1 - 10)

Report of the Strategic Leadership Team (CEX/23/1) on how the Council must work for a sustainable future, attached.

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

FRAMEWORK DECISION

8 Youth Justice Plan (Pages 11 - 28)

Report of the Interim Service Manager, Devon Youth Justice Service (CS/23/10), presenting the Annual Youth Justice Plan, attached.

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

KEY DECISIONS

9 Budget Monitoring - Month 4 (Pages 29 - 34)

Report of the Director of Finance and Public Value (DFP/23/77) presenting the Budget Monitoring position at Month 4, attached.

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

10 People First Strategy - Action Plan (Pages 35 - 70)

Report of the Director of People and Culture presenting the Action Plan to accompany the People First Strategy, which was previously presented to Cabinet. A covering Report and the Action Plan is attached.

An Impact Assessment has also been prepared for the attention of members at the meeting, which is attached and also available on the website at - <https://www.devon.gov.uk/impact/published/>.

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

11 Proposal for the future Council contribution to the Wellbeing Exeter Partnership Fund (Pages 71 - 92)

Report of the Director of Integrated Adult Social Care, (IASC/23/180) on proposals for the future Council contribution to the Wellbeing Exeter Partnership Fund, attached.

An impact Assessment is also attached for the attention of Members at the meeting and is available on the web at - [Wellbeing Exeter Partnership - Impact Assessment](#).

The Health and Adult Care Scrutiny had also considered this matter, at its meetings on [13th June 2023](#) and also at a special meeting on 27 July 2023, the minutes of which can be found [here](#).

Electoral Divisions(s): All in Exeter

12 Special Guardianship Policy - Supporting Families to Apply for Special Guardianship Orders (Support Package) (Pages 93 - 98)

Report of the Director of Children and Young People's Futures (CS/23/06) on Special Guardianship Orders and proposals for financial support packages, attached.

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

13 Calculation of Allowances for Special Guardians, Child Arrangement Order and Adoption Allowances - the Government Calculator (Pages 99 - 108)

Report of the Director of Children and Young People's Futures (CS/23/05) seeking agreement to the adoption of the Government recommended calculator for allowance reviews for kinship care from 1st January 2024, attached.

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

14 Staying Close Pilot for Care Experienced Young People (Pages 109 - 138)

Report of the Director of Children and Young People's Futures (CS/23/07) seeking approval to approve the Staying Close implementation plan, attached.

An impact Assessment is also attached for the attention of Members at the meeting and is available on the web at - [Published Impact Assessments](#).

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

MATTERS REFERRED

15 South Hams Highways and Traffic Orders Committee - Local Waiting Restrictions Programme

At its meeting on 30 June 2023 in considering the Report of the Director of Climate Change, Environment and Transport (CT/23/43) on Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) restrictions, the South Hams Highways and Traffic Orders Committee discussed the matter of obstructions of footpaths and highways and a Government Consultation on the matter. They RESOLVED '(c) that Cabinet be requested to write to Devon's Chief Constable and MPs, expressing concern at the problems encountered by local highways authorities, seeking their support in lobbying Government to make it a criminal offence to obstruct a footpath or highway at the earliest opportunity and further requesting the police to take action against obstruction on a more regular basis'.

Recommendation

It is recommended that Cabinet Member for Highway Management writes to the Chief Constable and local MPs seeking their support in lobbying Government to provide Local Authorities with civil powers to enforce against 'unnecessary obstruction of the pavement' and copy the letter to the PATROL (Parking and Traffic Regulations Outside London) Joint Committee.

Electoral Divisions(s): All in South Hams

STANDING ITEMS

16 Question(s) from Members of the Public

17 Minutes

Minutes of the bodies shown below are circulated herewith for information or endorsement as indicated therein (i.e. any unstarred minutes):

[NB: Minutes of [County Council Committees](#) are published on the Council's Website:

- a Devon Audit Partnership - 13 July 2023 (Pages 139 - 140)

18 Delegated Action/Urgent Matters

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19 Forward Plan (Pages 141 - 160)

In accordance with the Council's Constitution, the Cabinet is requested to review the list of forthcoming business (previously circulated) and to determine which items are to be defined as key and/or framework decisions and included in the Plan from the date of this meeting.

The [Forward Plan is available on the Council's website](#).

PART II - ITEMS WHICH MAY BE TAKEN IN THE ABSENCE OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

20 Exclusion of the Press and Public

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21 Part 2 - Supported Living Options Framework Agreement - Contract (Pages 161 - 182)

An item to be considered by the Cabinet in accordance with the Cabinet Procedure Rules and Regulation 5 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012, no representations having been received to such consideration taking place under Regulation 5(5) thereof.

Report of the Director of Children and Young People's Futures (CS/23/08) regarding the Contract for Supported Accommodation for Children in Care, attached.

An impact Assessment was previously prepared and is attached for the attention of Members at the meeting and is available on the web at - [Supported living - Impact Assessment \(devon.gov.uk\)](#)

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

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