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To: The Chair and Members

of the Cabinet

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# **CABINET**

Wednesday, 10th November, 2021

A meeting of the Cabinet is to be held on the above date at 10.30 am at Council Chamber - County Hall to consider the following matters.

Phil Norrey Chief Executive

# AGENDA

# PART I - OPEN COMMITTEE

- 1 Apologies for Absence
- 2 Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 13 October 2021 (previously circulated).

3 <u>Items Requiring Urgent Attention</u>

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

# FRAMEWORK DECISION

NIL

# **KEY DECISIONS**

7 <u>Devon County Council's Vision, Ambition and Priorities: Our Strategy for 2021 - 2025 (Pages 1 - 4)</u>

Report of the Chief Executive, (CEX/21/1) outlining the Council's Vision, Ambition and Priorities: the Strategy for 2021 – 2025, attached.

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

8 <u>Budget Monitoring - Month 6</u> (Pages 5 - 10)

Report of the Director of Finance (Designate), (DF/21/01) outlining the Budget Monitoring Position at Month 6, attached.

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

9 DCC Building Decarbonisation Scheme for approval (Pages 11 - 26)

(Item to be taken in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 with the consent of the relevant Scrutiny Committee Chair on the grounds that any delay would mean the Building Decarbonisation Scheme works may not be completed to the grant timescale, and the Council may miss out on grant funding that will support it meeting its carbon reduction targets)

Report of the Head of Planning, Transportation and Environment (PTE/21/39) on proposals to deliver retrofit decarbonisation enhancements to four corporate estate buildings to deliver carbon, energy, and cost reductions, attached.

An Impact Assessment is attached for the attention of Members at the meeting.

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

10 Childcare Sufficiency Assessment - Annual Return (Pages 27 - 80)

Report of the Head of Education and Learning (CS/21/14) presenting the annual return on the sufficiency of accessible, affordable, high quality early years and childcare places, attached.

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

# **MATTERS REFERRED**

11 <u>Teignbridge Highways and Traffic Orders Committee - Shaldon Road, Newton Abbot - Request for extension of 30mph speed limit</u>

At its meeting on 29 July 2021, the Teignbridge Highways and Traffic Orders Committee had considered the Report of the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste (HIW/21/53) (Minute 7 referred) and RESOLVED (b) that the speed limit on this stretch of Shaldon Road referred to in Report (HIW/21/53) be reduced to 30mph in view of the dangers to adults and children using this road (noting this would be referred to Cabinet as a departure from policy).

The Cabinet had considered this referral on 8 September 2021 and the Cabinet Member for Highway Management had commented that the Council's speed limit policy was based on the Department for Transport guidance and the speed limit of 40mph in the area was consistent with the approved speed limit policy. However, he added it would be helpful to virtually visit the site and the Cabinet therefore RESOLVED that the matter be deferred pending a virtual site visit to meet the Local Member and officers including the Road Safety Team.

The Cabinet Member with responsibility for Highway Management will report on a virtual site visit (scheduled for 4 November 2021).

Electoral Divisions(s): Newton Abbot South

# 12 Notice(s) of Motion (Pages 81 - 90)

The following Notices of Motion submitted to the County Council by the following Councillors have been referred to the Cabinet in accordance with Standing Order 8(2) for consideration, to refer it to another Committee or make a recommendation back to the Council:

- (a) Supporting Devon Residents into Homes of Their Own (Councillor Connett)
- (b) Devon's Housing Crisis (Councillor Hannaford)
- (c) School Uniform Costs (Councillor Hannaford)
- (d) Bovine Tuberculosis, Badgers and Vaccination (Councillor Bradford)

(the motion relating to Divestment (Fossil Fuels and Local Government Pension Scheme) was referred by Council to the Investment and Pension Fund Committee to consider).

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

# **OTHER MATTERS**

# 13 Speed Policy and Management Progress Report (Pages 91 - 94)

Report of the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste (HIW/21/68), summarising the progress made over the last twelve months on the review of DCC Speed Policy and Management following the Scrutiny Committee Speed Task Group (SCTG) report (June 2019), attached.

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

# **STANDING ITEMS**

# 14 Question(s) from Members of the Public

# 15 Minutes

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

<u>Devon Authorities Strategic Waste Committee - 14 October 2021</u> (Pages 95 - 98)

[NB: Minutes of <u>County Council Committees</u> are published on the Council's Website: Minutes of the <u>Devon Education (Schools) Forum</u>:

Minutes of the <u>South West Waste Partnership</u>

Minutes of the <u>Devon & Cornwall Police & Crime Panel</u>

# 16 <u>Delegated Action/Urgent Matters</u>

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# 17 <u>Forward Plan</u> (Pages 99 - 108)

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

# 18 <u>Exclusion of the Press and Public</u>

Recommendation: that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Act namely, the financial and business affairs of the current provider of the services, and the Council disclosure of which is likely to inhibit the free and frank provision of advice and exchange of views for the purpose of deliberation or the effective conduct of public affairs.

# 19 <u>Highway Term Service Contract - Consideration of Extension</u> (Pages 109 - 116)

(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 Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste (HIW/21/69), attached for Members of the Cabinet.

The Corporate Infrastructure & Regulatory Services Scrutiny Committee Scrutiny Committee on 23 September 2021 considered the Report of the Spotlight Review and had RESOLVED that the following recommendations be endorsed and commended to the Cabinet, with a progress report to Committee in six months' time (a) Extend the highways maintenance contract held with Milestone Infrastructure, taking advantage of the full option to extend by three years; (b) As part of the extension review the contract Service Information to meet the changing needs of the organisation and the population of Devon; and (c) Communicate successes and measurables in Highways through the Corporate Infrastructure & Regulatory Services Scrutiny Committee and in briefings for Councillors to share with Town and Parish Councillors as well as with members of the public.

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

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