

CABINET – DECISION NOTICE

12 June 2024

Present:-

Councillors R Croad, A Davis (Vice-Chair), R Gilbert, S Hughes,
A Leadbetter, J McInnes (Chair), L Samuel, A Saywell and P Bullivant

Councillor Twiss (remote attendance)

Members attending in accordance with Standing Order 25

Councillors C Leaver and C Whitton

Councillors F Biederman and S Randall Johnson (remote attendance)

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Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 8 May 2024 be signed as a correct record.

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Okehampton Interchange Railway Station at Okehampton Business Park

RESOLVED

(a) that pursuant to s.122 of the Local Government Act 1972, Cabinet approves the appropriation of land at Okehampton Business Park such that it be held for planning purposes under s226(1)(a) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990;

(b) that the Director of Climate Change, Environment and Transport be given delegated power to negotiate and authorise compensation payments and agreements which may be required pursuant to s.122 of the Local Government Act 1972 as a result of the appropriation of the land;

(c) that the construction of a new railway station with walking, cycling and public transport improvements and a station car park at Okehampton Business Park be approved within the Levelling Up Fund cost envelope of £14.95m, subject to securing the necessary planning consent and resolution of recommendations a) and b) of the Report;

(d) that the Director of Climate Change, Environment and Transport be given delegated authority, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member and Local Member, to make minor amendments to the scheme design.

* 8 **Amendments to the South West Exeter Housing Infrastructure Fund Project**

(Councillor Bullivant declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in this matter by virtue of being a member of the planning committee at Teignbridge District Council at the time the initial decision was made and withdrew from the meeting during its consideration).

RESOLVED

(a) that the amendments to the HIF package of infrastructure for the removal of the electricity substation be approved and enter into an associated Deed of Variation to the Grant Determination Agreement with Homes England;

(b) that the acquisition of the full site as shown edged blue and green in Appendix 1 be approved, to facilitate construction of the Community Building and GP Surgery;

(c) that the transfer of the land edged in green in Appendix 1 to the NHS prior to occupation of the GP Surgery be approved;

(d) that the Director of Climate Change, Environment and Transport be given delegated authority, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Climate Change, Environment and Transport and Local Member to remove the combined community building / GP surgery scheme from the HIF programme if, following further investigation, the scheme is not considered deliverable; and

(e) that Devon County Council take ownership of the Community Building, and the Director of Transformation and Business Services be given delegated authority, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Policy Corporate and Asset Management and Local Member, to explore income opportunities to lease out space in the proposed Community Building and / or transfer the building to a suitable owner, to mitigate Devon County Council's ongoing financial liability.

* 10 **Minutes**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the following be endorsed and any recommendations to Cabinet therein be approved:

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* 12 **Forward Plan**

In accordance with the Council's Constitution, the Cabinet reviewed the [Forward Plan](#) and determined those items of business to be defined as key and framework decisions and included in the Plan from the date of this meeting onwards reflecting the requirements of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

* 13 **Exclusion of the Press and Public**

RESOLVED that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 of Schedule 12A of the Act namely, information relating to an individual or likely to reveal the identity of an individual, the financial or business affairs of a third party and information relating to consultations or negotiations, and in accordance with Section 36 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, by virtue of the fact that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

* 14 **CSW Group Ltd**

RESOLVED that the proposals as outlined at (a), (b) and (c) in the Report relating to the future of CSW, in conjunction with its fellow owner authorities, be approved, including arrangements for the future provision of services.