# Cabinet Single-Member Decisions and Responses to Recommendations from PDS Panels

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#### Naming of new street in Chew Stoke

The decision required is to name a new street in Chew Stoke. The choice of name is the subject of considerable debate within the village.

**Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Community Services** 

Decision published: 14/05/2020

Effective from: 22/05/2020

**Decision:** 

The Cabinet Member has decided that the street name should be Malcolm Close.

Wards affected: Chew Valley; Lead officer: Martin Laker

# **RULE 4 - Covid-19 Council Tax Hardship relief**

Following the outbreak of Covid 19 and the advice of the UK Government on self-isolation and the temporary closure of Businesses and places of work, the Government have made available a £500m Hardship fund for Local Authorities, with the expectation that this will primarily be used to provide council tax relief under section 13A (1) (c) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.

The Government has provided guidance on the minimum requirements which this additional fund should address and have stated that residual funds from each authority's allocation may be used to deliver increased financial assistance though other local funding mechanisms.

**Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Resources** 

Decision published: 27/04/2020

**Effective from: 27/04/2020** 

**Decision:** 

The Cabinet Member agrees that officers be authorised to immediately reduce the council tax liability for all working age recipients of Local Council Tax Support during 2020/21 by the lower figure of their remaining liability for that year or £150.

Lead officer: Damien Peak

# Updates to the Local Development Scheme, Local Plan and Statement of Community Involvement

To agree (1) updates to the B&NES Local Development Scheme and (2) the Statement of Community Involvement and (3) a launch document for a partial review to the Core Strategy/ Placemaking Plan.

**Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Housing, Planning, and Economic** 

**Development** 

Decision published: 23/03/2020

**Effective from: 31/03/2020** 

**Decision:** 

The Cabinet Member agrees;

- a. that the amendments to the Interim Local Development Scheme 2020/21 (Attachment 1) to come into effect on or after 28th March,
- b. that the revised Statement of Community Involvement 2020 (Attachment 2), and c. that:
- i. the B&NES Core Strategy and Placemaking (the B&NES Local Plan) should be partially updated, and
- ii. the Local Plan Partial Update Commencement Document (Attachment
- 3) is published for consultation for a period of at least 6 weeks
- d. that the Director of Development and Public Protection is given delegated authority to make minor amendments and correct any errors in the Local Development Scheme, the Statement of Community Involvement and Commencement Document prior to publication.

Wards affected: (All Wards); Lead officer: Simon De Beer

## Parks' Play Area Review

To use recommendations from the Parks Play Area Review and feedback from public consultations to:

- Proceed to community asset transfer three play areas to town councils in Radstock and Midsomer Norton.
- Re-purpose two play areas (at Parry Close and St Saviours in Bath), replacing conventional play equipment with natural play opportunities and landscape improvements.
- Undertake a further consultation on the future of the play area and adjacent open space at Ridge Green Close/ Sulis Meadows in Bath
- Work with residents at Calton Road, Bath to raise grant funding to replace the

current play area provision with new natural play facilities.

• Make no changes to play areas at Chalfield Close in Keynsham and Loxton Drive and Burnt House Road in Bath.

**Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Community Services** 

Decision published: 23/03/2020

**Effective from: 31/03/2020** 

**Decision:** 

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- Proceed to community asset transfer three play areas to town councils in Radstock and Midsomer Norton.
- Re-purpose two play areas (at Parry Close and St Saviour's in Bath), replacing conventional play equipment with natural play opportunities and landscape improvements.
- Undertake a further consultation on the future of the play area and adjacent open space at Ridge Green Close/ Sulis Meadows in Bath
- Work with residents at Calton Road, Bath to raise grant funding to replace the current play area provision with new natural play facilities.
- Make no changes to play areas at Chalfield Close in Keynsham and Loxton Drive and Burnt House Road in Bath.

Wards affected: Keynsham East; Lambridge; Midsomer Norton Redfield; Odd

Down; Radstock; Southdown; Widcombe & Lyncombe;

**Lead officer: Paul Pearce** 

#### School Term & Holiday Dates 2021/2022

Following consultation to fully approve the School Term & Holiday Dates for the 2021/22 academic year.

**Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Children's Services** 

Decision published: 19/03/2020

**Effective from: 27/03/2020** 

**Decision:** 

The Cabinet Member agrees to approve the Council's preferred calendar of school term and holiday dates and to recommend these to all schools for the 2021-22 academic year.

Wards affected: (All Wards); Lead officer: Josephine Rees

#### **Hackney Carriage Tariff Increase 2020**

Proposal to increase maximum fares allowed to be charged by licensed Hackney Carriages for journeys within B&NES.

**Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Community Services** 

Decision published: 09/03/2020

**Effective from: 17/03/2020** 

**Decision:** 

The Cabinet Member agrees that the current tariff rates can be increased by 2.9% subject to the required public consultation.

**Lead officer: John Dowding** 

# Neighbourhood Community Infrastructure Levy for Bath Round 7

The request for the sum of £32,941 to be agreed for the latest round (7) of recommendations for the neighbourhood spending of CIL for Bath.

Decision Maker: Council Leader Decision published: 25/02/2020

Effective from: 04/03/2020

**Decision:** 

The Cabinet Member agrees that funding be provided from Neighbourhood Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Project Funding for Bath:

- An allocation of £27,941 for Project Gear Change Julian House for application BA-076 which will be paid as fully funded revenue grant.
- An allocation of £5,000 for Therapy Shed Julian House for application BA-075 and hence approval for an addition to the 2019/20 Capital Programme scheme for Bath Area Forum – CIL.

Wards affected: (All Wards); Lead officer: Mark Hayward

#### **B&NES Council's response to Mendip Local Plan Part 2**

Mendip District Council proposes to allocate new housing sites adjacent to Midsomer Norton through their Local Plan Part 2 Proposed Main Modifications. This is to agree B&NES Council's consultation response.

**Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Housing, Planning, and Economic** 

**Development** 

Decision published: 24/02/2020

Effective from: 03/03/2020

**Decision:** 

The Cabinet member for Housing, Planning and Economic Development;

- Agrees the B&NES Response to the Mendip Local Plan Part 2 (LPP2) Proposed Main Modifications.
- Delegates authority to officers to submit the B&NES Response to Mendip District Council for the Mendip Local Plan Inspector's consideration.

Lead officer: Richard Daone

# **Appendix F to Discretionary Rates Relief Policy**

Appendix F to the Discretionary Rates Relief Policy allows for the Council to grant the recently announced Pub Relief as well as the increased Newspaper relief and Retail Discount

**Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Resources** 

Decision published: 20/02/2020

Effective from: 20/02/2020

**Decision:** 

The Cabinet Member agrees that the changes be enacted to reflect central

government policy.

**Lead officer: Rob Brunton** 

## Technical Adjustment of budget relating to the Keynsham Leisure Project

To outline costs arising from the Keynsham Leisure Centre project to be met from the Leisure Contingency budget.

**Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Resources** 

Decision published: 17/02/2020

**Effective from: 25/02/2020** 

**Decision:** 

The Cabinet Members agree that a virement of £1,093,471 to move budget from Leisure Contingency to Keynsham Leisure Centre project is approved.

Wards affected: (All Wards);

**Lead officer: Marc Higgins** 

Decision to enter funding agreements with Homes England to fund infrastructure and enabling works at Bath Quays North and Englishcombe Lane development sites in-line with grant funding awards

As part of Homes England's Accelerated Construction housing programme the Council have been provisionally awarded grant funding in respect of the redevelopment of Bath Quays North (presently the Avon Street car and coach park), to assist with delivery of 92 new homes; and in respect of land at Englishcombe Lane, to assist with the delivery of 37 new homes. The funding is awarded to help unlock the development sites and increase the speed of housing delivery through investment in infrastructure provision and enabling works.

Decision Maker: Council Leader Decision published: 11/02/2020

**Effective from: 19/02/2020** 

**Decision:** 

The Cabinet Member agrees to:

- 1) Enter Funding Agreements with Homes England to fund enabling works and infrastructure in respect of Bath Quays North and Englishcombe Lane in-line with the grant funding awards.
- 2) Amend the Council Capital Programme on receipt of entered Funding Agreements:-
- 2.1 Approve an addition of £3,519,000 to 2020/21 Bath Quays North budget.
- 2.2 Incorporate a new provisional item for Englishcombe Lane Site Preparation 2019/20 £150,000 and 2020/21 £1,054,597.

Wards affected: Kingsmead; Moorlands;

**Lead officer: Simon Martin**