

Decisions of the Cabinet

12 March 2024

Members Present:-

Councillor Barry Rawlings (Chair)	Leader and Cabinet Member – Resources & Effective Council
Councillor Ross Houston	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member – Homes & Regeneration
Councillor Paul Edwards	Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care
Councillor Ammar Naqvi	Cabinet Member – Culture, Leisure, Arts and Sports
Councillor Anne Clarke	Cabinet Member – Community Wealth Building
Councillor Sara Conway	Cabinet Member – Community Safety and Participation
Councillor Pauline Coakley Webb	Cabinet Member – Family Friendly Barnet
Councillor Alison Moore	Cabinet Member – Health and Wellbeing
Councillor Alan Schneiderman	Cabinet Member – Environment and Climate Change

Also in attendance

Councillor David Longstaff
Councillor Peter Zinkin
Councillor Lucy Wakeley
Councillor Caroline Stock

Apologies for Absence

Councillor Zahra Beg

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Councillor Barry Rawlings, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Resources and Effective Council welcomed all attendees to the meeting.

It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 6 February 2024 be approved as a correct record.

2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS (IF ANY)

Apologies received from Councillor Zahra Beg.

3. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS (IF ANY)

None.

4. QUESTIONS FROM NON-EXECUTIVE MEMBERS (IF ANY)

The Chair welcomed Councillor Peter Zinkin, Councillor David Longstaff and Councillor Lucy Wakeley to the meeting.

Questions were raised in relation to the items listed on the agenda which were responded to verbally at the meeting by Cabinet Members.

5. PETITIONS (IF ANY)

None.

6. DEPUTATIONS (IF ANY)

None.

7. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS (IF ANY)

None.

8. MATTERS REFERRED TO THE EXECUTIVE (IF ANY)

None.

9. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS FROM THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE OR SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEES (IF ANY)

The recommendations from the Overview & Scrutiny Committee on 5 March 2024 were considered during the discussion on item 12 Local Plan – Main Modifications as set out below.

10. FIRE SAFETY IN TIMBER FRAMED AND TIMBER/UPVC CLAD PROPERTIES

Councillor Ross Houston Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Homes and Regeneration introduced the report.

Following discussion, the Chair moved to vote on the recommendations.

DECISION:

RESOLVED that Cabinet:

- 1. Noted and approved the report and the proposed approach to remediation of the affected properties.**
- 2. Noted that a budget of £3.6 million in the Housing Revenue Account capital programme has been allocated for remediation of council owned properties.**
- 3. Approved the principle of providing a Loan and Repayment Plan to affected Freehold homeowners and delegated authority to the Deputy Chief Executive in consultation with the Director of Finance, to agree the eligibility criteria, amounts and the policy to make the loans and agree the repayment terms.**
- 4. Noted the allocation of £13.072 million capital approved by Cabinet in February 2024 and by Full Council on 27 February 2024 to cover the upfront cost of works to freehold properties, where freeholder homeowners opt for a loan and repayment option.**

The report set out the options considered, if any, and the reasons for the recommendations and the decision.

11. IMPROVING BARNET'S ROADS AND PAVEMENTS PROGRAMME

Councillor Alan Schneiderman, Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Change introduced the report.

Following discussion, the Chair moved to vote on the recommendations.

DECISION:

RESOLVED:

- 1. That Cabinet noted the outcome of the Highways Investment Strategy aligned to the commitment set out in Our Plan for Barnet (2023 to 2026).**
- 2. That Cabinet approves, as Full Council has agreed the final 2024/25 capital programme, the capital expenditure of £19.4 million for the delivery of the 2024/25 Work programme as set out in Appendix B consisting of carriageway resurfacing, carriageway patching, footway resurfacing, footway patching, carriageway reconstruction, structures, drainage, and other highway assets (including heritage assets).**
- 3. That authority be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Change, in consultation with the Director of Highways and Transportation, to sign off the additional programme of schemes utilising the funding of £0.618m as set out in Section 1.15 of this report.**
- 4. That authority be delegated to the Director of Highways and Transportation, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Change, to alter the programme as necessary to ensure the efficient delivery of schemes across the network.**
- 5. Noted that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee are currently undertaking a review to support the improvement to the Highway Network.**

The report set out the options considered, if any, and the reasons for the recommendations and the decision.

12. LOCAL PLAN - MAIN MODIFICATIONS

Councillor Ross Houston Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Homes and Regeneration introduced the report.

Following discussion, the Chair moved to vote on the recommendations.

DECISION:

RESOLVED:

- 1. That Cabinet noted the contents of this report and the Schedule of Main Modifications (Appendix A) and the Schedule of Additional Modifications**

(Appendix B).

2. That Cabinet considered and agreed in terms of any further changes to the Schedule of Main Modifications (Appendix A) the recommendations of Overview and Scrutiny Committee on March 5 2024. Any recommendations from Overview and Scrutiny are reported in the addendum.
3. That Cabinet approved the Schedule of Main Modifications (Appendix A) for public consultation for a six week period commencing on 6th May 2024 in accordance with the Council's Statement of Community Involvement and Section 20 (7C) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended).
4. That Cabinet delegated authority to Deputy Chief Executive to:
 - i. Agree any necessary amendments to supporting documentation for consultation and any other typographical, presentational, and consequential wording changes to the Local Plan prior to publication, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Homes and Regeneration.
 - ii. Following public consultation on the Proposed Main Modifications, consider and summarise the responses received and forward to the Inspectors for their consideration in producing their Report.
5. That following the receipt of the Report from the Inspector recommending adoption of the Local Plan, that the Plan be brought back to Cabinet and Full Council for adoption.

The report set out the options considered, if any, and the reasons for the recommendations and the decision.

13. OUR PLAN FOR ADULT SOCIAL CARE 2024-2029

Councillor Paul Edwards, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care introduced the report.

Following discussion, the Chair moved to vote on the recommendations.

DECISION:

RESOLVED:

That Cabinet approved Our Plan for Adult Social Care 2024-2029 and delegated authority for implementation to Executive Director – Communities, Adults and Health.

The report set out the options considered, if any, and the reasons for the recommendations and the decision.

14. OUR PLAN FOR BARNET – DELIVERY AND OUTCOMES FRAMEWORK, Q3 2023-24

Councillor Barry Rawlings, Leader and Cabinet Member for Resources and Effective Council introduced the report.

Following discussion, the Chair moved to vote on the recommendations.

DECISION:

RESOLVED:

That Cabinet noted the contents of Our Plan for Barnet – Delivery and Outcomes Framework, Q3 2023-24 Report.

The report set out the options considered, if any, and the reasons for the recommendations and the decision.

15. THE BARNET GROUP BUSINESS PLAN

Councillor Ross Houston, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Homes and Regeneration introduced the report.

Following discussion, the Chair moved to vote on the recommendations.

DECISION:

RESOLVED:

That Cabinet approved The Barnet Group (and subsidiaries) 5-year business plan.

The report set out the options considered, if any, and the reasons for the recommendations and the decision.

16. CABINET FORWARD PLAN - KEY DECISION SCHEDULE

Cabinet noted the Forward Plan – Key Decision Schedule.

17. URGENT BUSINESS (IF ANY)

None.

The meeting finished at 9.30 pm

Proper Officer

This document outlines the decisions taken at the above Cabinet meeting. Unless otherwise indicated, executive decisions listed in this document will come into force and may then be implemented 5 clear working days after publication of this document unless the decision is called in.

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Contact:	governanceservice@barnet.gov.uk

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