

## **RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION (THE DECISIONS LIST)**

Date:	Decision Maker:	Subject to Call-in*
13 September 2019	Cabinet	No

**SUBJECT OF DECISION:**

Leader of the Council's Items - A.1 - New Corporate Plan 2020 - 2024

**Decision:**

**RESOLVED** that Cabinet approves both the content of the draft Corporate Plan 2020 – 24, (as set out in Appendix A), as its Initial Proposals for consultation purposes and also the proposed arrangements and timetable for scrutiny, and consultation, (as set out in Appendices B and C to the report).

**Reasons for Decision:**

Having considered the information provided in the report and appendices thereto.

**Alternative Options Considered:**

None

**Conflicts of Interest Declared  
(and Dispensations Granted by the Monitoring Officer)**

None

**Consultation with Ward Member:**

N/A

**Contact Officer:**

Martyn Knappett, Deputy Chief Executive (Corporate Services), Anastasia Simpson, Head of People, Performance and Projects

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**SUBJECT OF DECISION:**

Cabinet Members' Items - Joint Report of the Business and Economic Growth Portfolio Holder and the Corporate Finance and Governance Portfolio Holder - A.2 - Rejuvenating Clacton Town Centre

**Decision:**

**RESOLVED** that –

- a) the summary of issues and challenges facing Clacton Town Centre identified by the members of the Clacton Town Centre Working Party, along with the ideas and suggestions for addressing those issues and challenges be noted;
- b) the inclusion of Clacton Town Centre in the Government's 'Future High Streets Fund' (as indicated in the August 2019 letter from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government attached as Appendix 1 to the report) and the requirement to develop a more detailed business case as part of the next stage of the process be noted;
- c) 'Love Clacton' be endorsed as the brand to be adopted as part of a consistent approach to the branding and marketing of Clacton Town Centre and other attractions in Clacton;
- d) the 'Vision for Our Town Centre in 2030' (attached as Appendix B to the report) be endorsed as the overarching vision for the future of Clacton Town Centre;
- e) the Plan of Action for Clacton Town Centre (attached as Appendix C to the report) be endorsed and the Council's Officers be authorised to work with relevant partners to deliver the actions within it;
- f) a fund of £250,000 be allocated to the delivery of short-term actions within the Action Plan, as detailed within the resources and risk section of the report;
- g) the approaches for both delivery of actions and ongoing public engagement in relation to the Town Centre (as detailed in Appendix D to the report) be approved; and
- h) the Director for Planning and Regeneration, in consultation with the relevant Portfolio Holders, be authorised to submit a detailed business case for Clacton Town Centre to the Government's 'Future High Streets Fund' by the deadline of 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020.

**Reasons for Decision:**

Having considered the information provided in the report and appendices thereto.

**Alternative Options Considered:**

Not to proceed.

**Conflicts of Interest Declared  
(and Dispensations Granted by the Monitoring Officer)**

None

**Consultation with Ward Member:**

None

**Contact Officer:**

Gary Guiver, Planning Manager

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**SUBJECT OF DECISION:**

Cabinet Members' Items - Joint Report of the Business and Economic Growth Portfolio Holder and the Corporate Finance and Governance Portfolio Holder - A.3 - Starlings Site and Milton Road Development, Dovercourt, Harwich

**Decision:**

**RESOLVED** that –

- a) the proposals for the acquisition and redevelopment of the Starlings site and the demolition of the Milton Road Car Park be approved;
- b) £1.595m funding be allocated to the project from existing budgets; and
- c) the above will be progressed subject to approval of the Business Case and relevant recommendations set out in the related private and confidential report that will be considered later in the morning.

**Reasons for Decision:**

Having considered the information provided in the report and appendices thereto.

**Alternative Options Considered:**

Not to proceed.

**Conflicts of Interest Declared  
(and Dispensations Granted by the Monitoring Officer)**

None

**Consultation with Ward Member:**

None

**Contact Officer:**

Tom Gardiner, Head of Regeneration

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**SUBJECT OF DECISION:**

Leader of the Council's Items - A.4 - North Essex Garden Communities Ltd: Approval of 2019/20 Interim Business Plan and Budget

**Decision:**

**RESOLVED** that –

- a) the 2019/20 Interim Business Plan and Budget (subject to confirmation of Government funding) for NEGC Ltd, as attached at Appendix A to the report, be approved;
- b) £350,000 be committed from the Garden Communities Budget and the associated delegations approved in order to enable phased drawdowns upon a formal request by way of a NEGC Board resolution in accordance with the agreed milestones and the agreement of the Council's Section 151 Officer;
- c) the Councils' Section 151 Officers be authorised to agree any future allocation of the project funds held by Colchester Borough Council between NEGC Ltd and the North Essex Authorities; and
- d) a report be submitted to a future Cabinet meeting in respect of funding requirements and financing options for 2020/21 and 2021/22.

**Reasons for Decision:**

Having considered the information provided in the report and appendices thereto.

**Alternative Options Considered:**

Not to approve the business plan and/or agree to commit the monies.

**Conflicts of Interest Declared  
(and Dispensations Granted by the Monitoring Officer)**

Councillors Stock OBE and G V Guglielmi had each declared personal interests in this item insofar as they were, respectively a Director and an alternate Director of NEGC Ltd.

**Consultation with Ward Member:**

None

**Contact Officer:**

Richard Barrett, Head of Finance, Revenues and Benefits Services & Section 151 Officer,

Ewan Green, Corporate Director (Planning and Regeneration), Lisa Hastings, Head of Governance and Legal Services & Monitoring Officer

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**SUBJECT OF DECISION:**

Cabinet Members' Items - Report of the Corporate Finance and Governance Portfolio Holder - A.5 - Digital Transformation Programme Update

**Decision:**

**RESOLVED** that Cabinet –

- (a) acknowledges the digitally enabled achievements delivered to date, including:
  - i. *My Tendring* portal major customer service improvements;
  - ii. *My Tendring* portal positive customer feedback;
  - iii. a strategic IT investment shift from large cyclical capital costs to an ongoing digital revenue cost model;
  - iv. enhancements to the Council's data infrastructure, cyber security protection and digital resilience;
  - v. developing in-house programming skills and expertise; and
  - vi. The new Leisure and Tourism App now promoting events.
- (b) recognises the Council's increasing use of digital technology to deliver efficient and effective services.
- (c) acknowledges the various changes which have affected the programme and the resultant "worst case" cost pressures that have emerged.
- (d) approves that the cost pressures of £181,754 in 2019/20 and £113,942 in 2020/21, as set out in the report, are reflected in the on-going financial forecast and financial performance reports.

**Reasons for Decision:**

Having considered the information provided in the report and appendices thereto.

**Alternative Options Considered:**

Not to approve the cost pressures.

**Conflicts of Interest Declared  
(and Dispensations Granted by the Monitoring Officer)**

None

**Consultation with Ward Member:**

N/A

**Contact Officer:**

John Higgins, Head of IT and Corporate Resilience

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**SUBJECT OF DECISION:**

Cabinet Members' Items - Report of the Corporate Finance and Governance Portfolio Holder - A.6 - Financial Performance Report: In-Year Performance against the Budget at end of the First Quarter 2019/20 and Long Term Financial Forecast Update

**Decision:**

**RESOLVED** that –

- (1) in respect of the financial performance against the budget at the end of June 2019:
  - (a) the position be noted; and
  - (b) the proposed in-year adjustments to the budget, as set out in Appendix H to the report, be approved, with the additional requirement that the fund of £1.134million set aside for investment in the Council's property assets be spent in such a way as to reduce future cost pressures and to contribute to the Council's commitment to carbon reduction.
- (2) in respect of the Updated Long Term Forecast, the updated forecast be agreed and that the Resources and Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee be consulted on the latest position.

**Reasons for Decision:**

Having considered the information provided in the report and appendices thereto.

**Alternative Options Considered:**

None

**Conflicts of Interest Declared  
(and Dispensations Granted by the Monitoring Officer)**

None

**Consultation with Ward Member:**

N/A

**Contact Officer:**

Richard Barrett, Head of Finance, Revenues and Benefits Services & Section 151 Officer

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**SUBJECT OF DECISION:**

Cabinet Members' Items - Joint Report of the Business and Economic Growth Portfolio Holder and the Corporate Finance and Governance Portfolio Holder - B.1 - Starlings Site and Milton Road Development, Dovercourt, Harwich

**Decision:**

**RESOLVED** that –

- a) the business case for the redevelopment of both the Starlings site and Milton Road Car Park be approved;
- b) the allocation of funding from the Council's budgets to the value of £1.595m be approved for redevelopment purposes;
- c) the acquisition of the Starlings site (Plots 1, 2, and 3) for redevelopment purposes within the cost range identified in the report be approved;
- d) the Deputy Chief Executive, in consultation with relevant Portfolio Holders as required, be authorised to agree the terms of land acquisition within the context of the report;
- e) the demolition of the Milton Road Car Park in line with proposals outlined in the Dovercourt Town Centre Masterplan be approved;
- f) the development options outlined in the report for the Milton Road Car Park site be noted and be the subject of a future report; and
- g) the Corporate Director (Planning & Regeneration), in consultation with relevant Portfolio Holders as required, be delegated all such authorities necessary in order to deliver the Starlings and Milton Road Car Park projects.

**Reasons for Decision:**

Having considered the information provided in the report.

**Alternative Options Considered:**

Not to proceed.

**Conflicts of Interest Declared  
(and Dispensations Granted by the Monitoring Officer)**

None

**Consultation with Ward Member:**

None

**Contact Officer:**

Tom Gardiner, Head of Regeneration

\* The call-in procedure will not apply to a decision where the Chairman of the relevant overview and scrutiny committee's agreement has been obtained that any delay likely to be caused by the call-in process would seriously prejudice the Council's or the public's interest, (Rule 16 (h) of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules) or any decision made where such decision is to be referred to the Council or one of the overview and scrutiny committees for their consideration.