

CABINET

At a meeting of Cabinet held on
24 April 2024

(Present) **Councillor Baines (Chair)**
Councillors Bond, Bowden, Burns, Charlton,
Gomez-Aspron MBE, Groucutt, McCauley and
Quinn

(Not Present) **Councillor Uddin**

101 APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Uddin.

102 MINUTES

- * **Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 13 March 2024 be approved and signed.**

103 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS

No Declarations of Interest from Members were made.

104 PARKSIDE REGENERATION LLP MANAGEMENT BOARD – CHANGE OF APPOINTMENT

A report was submitted which sought to approve a change in the appointment of the Council's representative members of the Parkside Regeneration LLP Management Board.

In 2013 the Council entered into a 50/50 joint venture with Langtree Land and Property PLC. Parkside Regeneration LLP was established as the vehicle through which the former Parkside Colliery site would be acquired and developed.

Parkside Regeneration LLP was controlled by a six-member Management Board; comprising three members from Langtree and three members from the Council. The three Council appointees were the Cabinet Member for Economy, Business and Skills, the Executive Director of Place Services and the Chief Executive.

It was proposed the Executive Director of Corporate Services replaced the Chief Executive with immediate effect. The Executive Director of Corporate Services had previously served as a Board Member on the Parkside Regeneration LLP Management Board.

- * **Resolved that:**

- (1) **the appointment of the Executive Director of Corporate Services to the Parkside Regeneration LLP Management Board with immediate effect to replace the Chief Executive be confirmed.**

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105 ADOPTION OF SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENTS

A report was submitted which provided an overview of the consultation process undertaken and feedback received on the first tranche of new Supplementary Planning Documents and sought approval for adoption of their final versions, which would help guide and shape the growth of the Borough in support of the St Helens Borough Local Plan up to 2037.

The St Helens Borough Local Plan up to 2037 was adopted by the Council in July 2022 and, to aid its positive ongoing implementation, four new first tranche Supplementary Planning Documents had been prepared that provided additional details and planning guidance.

The report presented the final versions of these documents (following a consultation period as detailed within the Consultation Statement), each of which would have a pivotal role in the successful delivery of high-quality developments in accordance with the Local Plan up to 2037.

* **Resolved that:**

- (1) **the Supplementary Planning Documents Consultation Statement at Appendix A be noted; and**
- (2) **the final Supplementary Planning Documents for Design, Developer Contributions, Open Space Provision and Enhancement, and Transport and Travel at Appendices B to E respectively be approved for adoption.**

106 DEVELOPMENT OF 'ITS OUR BOROUGH TOO' ST HELENS BOROUGH CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S DECLARATION

A report was submitted which informed Cabinet that over the past year, in partnership with the Youth Council, Vibe and other local youth organisations, officers have engaged with thousands of young people from all different backgrounds to co-produce '*It's Our Borough Too*'. This document outlined their priorities and their vision for a better, more child friendly borough and outlined the Council's, local partner's and young people's collective commitments to delivering this over the next three years.

This was a live document and a number of amendments had already been identified for further consideration which were included in the report.

Cabinet was informed that the decision was a Key Decision and details had been published in accordance with the provisions within the Constitution.

* **Resolved that:**

- (1) **the report and feedback on the working document of 'It's our Borough Too' be noted;**
- (2) **progress made be noted and the timetable for launch of 'It's our Borough Too' be agreed; and**
- (3) **note the proposed additional areas for consideration and inclusion.**

107 CARE AND SUPPORT SERVICES IN EXTRA CARE RETENDER – FOUNDRY WHARF, HEALD FARM COURT, REEVE COURT AND HEYESWOOD

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A report was submitted which informed Cabinet that the current Extra Care contracts for the care and support provided to all four schemes was to expire on 31 July 2024.

The Council holds the responsibility to ensure a sufficient supply of care and support services in the local area, supporting the key principles in the Care Act 2014 outlining market sustainability and supporting a preventative approach. The Council were committed to providing good safe value for money services that met the needs of the local population. The Council was responsible for maintaining a stable care market and evidence value for money. The proposal outlined for supporting alternative options of care ensured the Council was meeting the core asks with in the Care Act 2014

Cabinet was informed that the decision was a Key Decision and details had been published in accordance with the provisions within the Constitution.

* **Resolved that:**

- (1) **the contents of the report and the commission of care and support within the four Extra Care residential units be noted;**
- (2) **authority be delegated to the Executive Director of People and NHS Place Director, Cabinet Member for Integrated Care and Health and the Director of Finance (Section 151 officer) to award the Extra Care contract covering all four units following a procurement and tender process;**
- (3) **the Head of Legal and Democratic Services be authorised to execute the necessary legal documentation to put into effect the arrangements as set out above; and**
- (4) **the approach to change the model of Extra Care to a 'core + flexi model' and to move towards the balance of care model over a period 3 years with an option to extend for a further 2 years be approved.**

108 **URGENT LEADER DECISION**

A report was submitted which informed Cabinet of an urgent Leader Decision which the Leader had made as follows:

- i) on 14 March 2024 which sought approval of the provisionally agreed terms for the disposal of 3.56 hectares of land at Marshalls Cross Road to Mersey and West Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust.

* **Resolved that:**

- (1) **the Urgent Leader Decision taken by the Leader of the Council on 14 March 2024 be noted.**

109 **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

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- * Resolved that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item for the reason stated:

<u>Minute</u>	<u>Reason (under Local Government Act 1972)</u>
110-111	Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding the information) (Paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A)

110 URGENT LEADER DECISION (APPENDICES)

Minute 108 refers.

- * Resolved that the appendices be noted.

111 ST HELENS TOWN CENTRE PHASE 1A – HOTEL FRANCHISE AND MANAGEMENT AGREEMENTS

A report was submitted which informed Members that further to the decisions of Cabinet at its meeting held on 13 September 2023 in relation to St Helens Town Centre Phase 1 Investment (minute item 45 refers), the report provided an update on the estimated financial projections for the new hotel and sought approval to the ownership and operating structure alongside the finalised hotel management and franchise legal agreements.

Cabinet was informed that the decision was a Key Decision and details had been published in accordance with the provisions within the Constitution.

- * Resolved that:

- (1) the estimated financial projections for the new hotel forming part of the St Helens town centre Phase 1A regeneration initiative be noted;
- (2) the ownership and operating structure for the new hotel as detailed in the report be approved;
- (3) the signing of the Management Agreement substantially in the form at Appendix 1 be approved; and
- (4) the signing of the Franchise Agreement substantially in the form at Appendix 2 be approved.

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Following the meeting Cabinet signified its thanks and appreciation to Councillor Baines who was ending his role as Leader on 15 May 2024.