

**CABINET
DECISION RECORDING LOG**

DECISION DETERMINED ON: Wednesday, 15 May 2024

DECISION WILL COME INTO EFFECT ON: Friday, 24th May 2024

Decisions made by full cabinet and individual cabinet members are subject to "Call-in" by the appropriate Select Committee. Should a decision be subject to call-in it will not take effect as stated above and will be presented again at a later date.

CABINET MEMBERS PRESENT:

County Councillors Mary Ann Brocklesby, Paul Griffiths, Martyn Groucutt, Catrin Maby, Angela Sandles, Ian Chandler, Ben Callard

OTHER ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT:

County Councillors Richard John, Frances Taylor, John Crook

OFFICERS PRESENT

Peter Davies, Paul Matthews, Will McLean, Jane Rodgers, Nicola Perry, Frances O'Brien, Matthew Gatehouse, Ian Saunders, James Williams, Colette Bosley, Hazel Clatworthy, Deb Hill-Howells and Mike Moran

Item Number	Title	Purpose, Consultation & Author	Declaration of Interests	Decision
3	Verbal Update - The Gathering's business case	As set out in the report		<p>RESOLVED: Cabinet was advised that a business plan had been received and reviewed by a panel of MCC officers, including representatives from Social Services, Landlord Services and Community Partnerships. A meeting had been held with The Gathering's management committee to discuss the initial draft and to discuss areas for its strengthening. Further work was needed to substantiate that the proposal is suitably robust and sustainable.</p> <p>It was anticipated that a revised business case would be issued by The Gathering to MCC for consideration by the end of June following which a formal recommendation would be brought to Cabinet for consideration.</p>
Additional Information:				
4	Proposed adoption of the Local Transport Strategy	As set out in the report		<p>RESOLVED: That Cabinet approved the Local Transport Strategy and associated actions which provides the vision and transport priorities for the time period 2024 – 2029.</p> <p>That Cabinet agreed that the Local Transport Strategy will provide Monmouthshire's transport priorities for consideration by the Cardiff City Region whilst developing the South East Wales Transport Plan.</p>
Additional Information:				
5	Uploading S106 Capital Sums into 2024/25 Capital Budget	As set out in the report		<p>RESOLVED: That a capital budget of £95,000 be created in 2024/25 to fund play area improvements at the Cas Troggi Open Space in Caldicot, and that this is funded by corresponding contributions of £69,120 from the Section 106 balances held</p>

by the council from the S106 Agreement in relation to the former White Hart Public House in Caldicot (Planning Ref: DC/2013/00796) and £25,880 from the Section 106 balances held by the council from the S106 Agreement in relation to the development of land east of Church Road, Caldicot (Planning Ref: DM/2018/00880).

That a capital budget of £144,456 be created in 2024/25 to fund works at one or more of three beneficiary sites in Caldicot (Caldicot Greenway, Caldicot Castle Country Park, Caldicot Town Centre Regeneration Scheme), and that this is funded by a corresponding contribution of £144,456 held by the council from the S106 Agreement in relation to the development of land east of Church Road, Caldicot (Planning Ref: DM/2018/00880).

That the decision on which beneficiary projects the £144,456 funding will be spent be delegated to the Chief Officer for Customer, Culture and Wellbeing in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Equalities and Engagement, this decision to be taken following consultation with the local Caldicot county council members and Caldicot Town Council.

That a capital budget of £24,629 be created in 2024/25 to fund play area improvements at Rockfield Farm, Undy and that this is funded by a corresponding contribution of £24,629 from the Section 106 balances held by the council from the S106 Agreement relating to the development of land at Vinegar Hill, Undy (Parcel A) (Planning Ref: DM/2019/01937).

That a capital budget of £13,422 be created in 2024/25 to fund advance planning works on land at Knollbury to establish increased recreation facilities for the Magor with Undy area and that this is funded by a corresponding contribution of £13,422 held by the council from the S106 Agreement relating to the development of land at Vinegar Hill, Undy (Planning Ref: DM/2019/01937).

That the above amount (specified in para 2.5) be utilised to offset the costs of obtaining planning permission for the recreational use of land adjacent to Rose Cottage, Knollbury, Magor currently held on capital budget code 90847.

That a capital budget of £120,000 be created in 2024/25 for play area improvements at Mardy Playing Field and that this is funded by a corresponding contribution of £120,000 from the Section 106 balances held by the council from the S106 Agreement in relation to the development of land at Deri Farm, Abergavenny (Planning Ref: DC/2014/01360).

That when uploaded into the 2024/25 capital budget, the funding of £120,000 set out in para 2.7 above is transferred to the Llantilio Pertholey Community Council, as owners of the Mardy Playing Field, and that officers work closely with the community council to agree and implement a range of play area improvements.

That a capital budget of £13,230 be created in 2024/25 for play area improvements at Bailey Park, Abergavenny and that this is funded by a corresponding contribution of £13,230 from Section 106 balances held by the council from the S106 Agreement for the development of land at The Hill, Abergavenny (Planning Ref: DC/2015/01585).

Additional Information:

6	Climate and Nature Emergency Strategy 2024	As set out in the report		<p>RESOLVED: That Cabinet agrees to sign off and adopt the Climate and Nature Emergency Strategy and 4 Action Plans. The action plans set out how the council will address: Council Emissions, Nature Recovery, Rivers and Oceans and Communities and Climate.</p> <p>That Cabinet agrees that the Action Plans are delivered by Service Area Officers/Managers and coordinated by the Chief Officer – Communities and Place. This will enable strategy ownership and delivery across all services. Progress will be reported to the Climate and Nature Emergency Steering Group</p>
Additional Information:				
7	Climate and Nature Emergency Strategy 2024 - Nature Recovery Reports 2024	As set out in the report		<p>RESOLVED: That Cabinet approves the Biodiversity and Ecosystem Resilience (Section 6) Forward Plan and Action plan 2024-28 and gives approval for a public consultation exercise for the Nature Recovery Action Plan (NRAP) Part 1: Strategy (Final Draft) and Monmouthshire's Green Infrastructure Strategy Volumes 1&2 and Executive Summary (Final Draft).</p> <p>That Appendix 2b Short Nature Recovery Action Plan (an abridged version of Appendix 1b) sits alongside the four Action Plans for the Climate and Nature Emergency Strategy.</p>
Additional Information:				
8	Greenfingers Service	As set out in the report		<p>RESOLVED: That the current Greenfingers site should be released to Landlord Services in order to seek expressions of interest from community organisations to develop the site as an inclusive horticulture related project.</p> <p>Agreed for Landlord Services to work in partnership with the Green Infrastructure Team, Community Animation Team and Social Care and Health directorate to ensure that the site is developed in accordance with current policy objectives regarding the climate and nature emergency.</p> <p>To continue supporting people with learning disabilities to access community gardening opportunities</p>
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