

**CABINET**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 5 OCTOBER 2011**

**AT 4.30 PM**

**IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WILLITON**

**Present:**

Councillor T Taylor ..... Leader

Councillor K V Kravis	Councillor C Morgan
Councillor S J Pugsley	Councillor D J Sanders
Councillor K H Turner	Councillor D J Westcott

**Members in Attendance:**

Councillor B Heywood	Councillor A F Knight
Councillor E May	Councillor K M Mills
Councillor P H Murphy	Councillor K J Ross
Councillor L W Smith	Councillor A H Trollope-Bellew

**Officers in Attendance:**

Chief Executive (A Dyer)  
Corporate Director (B Lang)  
Group Manager Housing and Community (I Timms)  
Planning Manager (A Goodchild)  
Group Manager Finance and Central Support (G Carne)  
Principal Planning Officer, LDF (M Wilsher)  
Tim Durant, ARUP (Item 8)  
Meeting Administrator (K Kowalewska)

**CAB50      Apologies for Absence**

No apologies for absence were received.

**CAB51      Minutes of the Meeting held on 7 September 2011**

(Minutes of the Meeting of the Cabinet held on 7 September 2011 – circulated with the Agenda).

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Cabinet held on 7 September 2011 be confirmed as a correct record.

**CAB52      Declarations of Interest**

Members present at the meeting declared the following personal interests in their capacity as a Member of a County, Parish or Town Council:

Name	Minute No	Member of	Action Taken
Councillor K J Ross	All	Dulverton	
Councillor K Turner	All	Brompton Ralph	Spoke and voted
Councillor D Westcott	All	Watchet	Spoke and voted
Councillor P H Murphy	All	Watchet	Spoke
Councillor A H Trollope-Bellew	All	Crowcombe	Spoke
Councillor L W Smith	All	Minehead	Spoke

In addition,

- Councillor K H Turner declared a personal interest relating to Item 7 - Allocation of Section 106 Funds Held – Quarter 3, as he was Vice-President of Brompton Ralph Cricket Club; and
- Councillor C Morgan declared a personal interest relating to Agenda Item 8 - Hinkley Point C Project Joint Supplementary Planning Document, as ward member.

**CAB53 Public Participation**

No member of the public had requested to speak.

**CAB54 Forward Plan**

The purpose of this item was to approve Forward Plan No. 5 – November 2011 to November 2012.

**RESOLVED** that, subject to the following amendments, Forward Plan No. 5 – November 2011 to November 2012, be approved.

- Annual Governance Report being included for November 2011.
- Draft Corporate Priorities and Objectives report being included for November 2011.
- Draft Community Strategy being included for November 2011.
- Draft Medium Term Financial Plan to be moved from November to December 2011.
- Draft Capital Programme and Capital Strategy to be moved from November to December 2011.

**CAB55 Cabinet Action Plan**

(Copy of the Action Plan, circulated with the Agenda).

**RESOLVED** that CAB49 – West Somerset Economic Strategy Refresh Responding to Change be deleted as actioned.

**CAB56 Allocation of Section 106 Funds Held – Quarter 3**

(Report No. WSC 122/11, circulated with the Agenda).

The purpose of the report was to make proposals for the allocation of capital monies secured through planning obligations to individual schemes.

The report was presented by the Resources and Central Support Lead Member and she advised Cabinet of the recommendations of the internal planning obligations group. She thanked the Group Manager Housing and Community for the work and effort that had been made in improving the procedures for the allocation of planning obligation monies. She informed on how improvements had been made in terms of providing more detailed information and revised application forms, developing website pages to improve awareness and access to organisations wishing to apply, and uploading financial data on a quarterly basis.

The Lead Member highlighted a situation which may occur in the future whereby two competing applications may have to be considered within the same parish where only a limited sum of money was available, and suggested that if this occurred applications would be considered in date order. During the subsequent discussion, it was further put forward to take account of the views/recommendations of the relevant parish/town council before determining the requests in such a situation.

During the discussion it was noted that work to complete landscaping and paths at the new coach park in Minehead was progressing and should be completed within the next two weeks.

Councillors were asked to encourage town and parish councils to feedback their top priorities to the Climate Change and Community Liaison Manager, Angela Lamplough.

Councillor K V Kravis proposed the recommendation in the report and they were seconded by Councillor K H Turner.

**RESOLVED** that Cabinet agree the allocation of funds for the projects described below, for inclusion in the current year's capital programme:

- £1,000 to Brompton Ralph Cricket Club – a contribution towards the construction of new cricket changing rooms;
- £6,500 towards landscaping and paths at the coach park in Minehead.

**CAB57      Hinkley Point C Project Joint Supplementary Planning Document**

(Report No. WSC 115/11, circulated with the Agenda).

The purpose of the report was to present the Final Draft of the Hinkley Point C Project Supplementary Planning Document (SPD), which has been revised to respond to consultation comments.

The Group Manager Housing and Community outlined the details in the report and it was advised that, in light of late correspondence received from EDF Energy, an amendment to section 2 of the SPD would be made - a paragraph would be included which would respond positively to

the comments raised in EDF Energy's letter – prior to the document being considered at Full Council.

Councillor C Morgan on behalf of the residents of Stogursey wished to thank the Planning Manager for his commendable work on this project.

Councillor S J Pugsley proposed the recommendations in the report and they were seconded by Councillor C Morgan.

**RESOLVED (1)** that the Hinkley Point C (HPC) Project Supplementary Planning Document in its current final draft form as a supplementary planning document be approved, and that it will perform the following roles:

- guide the HPC project promoter and other developers with an interest in the project when preparing HPC proposals, with a focus on associated development;
- provide guidance and be a material consideration during the assessment of any HPC project related Town & Country Planning Act applications submitted by the HPC project promoter or other developers for determination by the Councils;
- inform the positions adopted by the Councils in a Local Impact Report(s) submitted to the Infrastructure Planning Commission; and
- set out local matters and planning approaches that do not conflict with and accord with NPS policy and guidance and which the IPC may consider both important and relevant to its decision-making.

**RESOLVED (2)** that Cabinet delegates authority to the Housing and Community Group Manager, Ian Timms and the Planning Manager, Andrew Goodchild to make further amendments to the SPD, in consultation with the Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder, prior to the presentation of the final document to Full Council.

**RESOLVED (3)** that Cabinet recommends the Final HPC Project SPD be adopted as a supplementary planning document by Full Council on 13 October 2011.

The Leader, on behalf of Cabinet, expressed his thanks and appreciation for the hard work the Council officers and ARUP had undertaken in preparing such an impressive document.

The meeting closed at 5.26 pm.