

Record of decision

THE FOLLOWING DECISIONS WERE TAKEN ON THURSDAY, 11 OCTOBER 2018 BY THE CABINET

THE CALL IN PERIOD FOR THESE DECISIONS EXPIRES AT 5.00 PM ON MONDAY, 22 OCTOBER 2018

Members of the Cabinet who were present

Cllrs Dave Stewart (Chairman), Barry Abraham, Paul Brading, John Hobart, Stuart Hutchinson, Clare Mosdell, Tig Outlaw, Ian Ward, Wayne Whittle

Apologies

Cllr Michael Murwill

Members also present (non-voting)

Cllrs Andrew Garratt, Steve Hastings and Brian Tyndall

Confirmed as a true record of decisions taken

Leader of the Council

Agenda item	Minutes of the Last Meeting
Decision reference	25 (18/19)
Decision Taken	That the minutes of the meeting held on <u>13 September 2018</u> be agreed.
Questions / Amendments	None.

Agenda item	<u>Declarations of Interest</u>
Decision reference	26 (18/19)
	None declared.

Agenda item	Public Question Time
Decision reference	27 (18/19)
Questions	Ms Tanya Rebel put a written question around environmental issues to the Cabinet and the Cabinet Member provided a response (PQ 28/18).

Ms Rebel asked if any further measures could be taken to ensure that environmental concerns were addressed and that government funding could be pursued to assist in the matter.
The Leader stated that Cabinet had noted her concerns.
There were no further written questions and no oral questions were asked.

Agenda item	Chairman's Announcements
Decision reference	28 (18/19)
	The Leader stated that at the recent Conservative Party Conference, members had met with various government ministers to highlight a range of Isle of Wight Issues. The Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs had been invited to visit the Island and meet with councillors and the MP would assist in expediting the possible visit.
	It was also noted that the Leader along with the Cabinet Member for Children's Services, Education and Skills had visited the recently opened Bay 'Through' School (comprising of Primary and Secondary education) and were pleased to see that the school was progressing well with good support from staff and pupils.

Agenda item	Review of Business Parking Permits
Decision reference	29 (18/19)
Summary of Discussion	The Cabinet Member for Infrastructure and Transport presented a report that provided information on the purpose and history of resident parking zones on the Isle of Wight.
	It also set out the introduction of business permits within resident parking zones and the number of business permits that had currently been issued as well as highlighting issues associated with the practices.
	The report also presented the options available to the authority to ensure that it acted in a fair, consistent and reasonable manner.
	Members were advised that at the meeting of the Scrutiny Committee on 9 October 2018, the long overdue proposals were welcomed by the membership. All recommendations from the Scrutiny Committee were circulated and noted by Cabinet. (LINK HERE)

Issues raised by other members	No other issues were raised.
Decision taken	THAT the removal of business permits and phasing of their removal over a 1 year period be agreed.
	II. THAT the ending of issuing any new permits with immediate effect be agreed.
Reason for the decision and corporate objective it aligns with	The increase in the number of spaces in a given area may result in more short stay spaces being available to the general public, which may reduce journey times throughout the day and reduce carbon emissions
	To align with the following Corporate Plan Commitments:
	Delivering economic growth and prosperityPreserving our environment
	Planning for our future needsProtecting our community
	Providing sound financial management
Options considered and rejected	Option A - Do nothing and continue to allow business permits to be issued in the existing resident parking zones
	Option B - Remove the option to renew permits from the date at which the current permits expire and not issue new requests for permits with immediate effect.
	Option C - Remove the option to renew permits over a 3 year period and not to issue any new permits with immediate effect.
Declarations of Interests	None declared

Agenda item	Impact Report Of Aligning The Permanent Whole-Time Firefighter Resource To The Times Of Greatest Demand
Decision reference	30 (18/19)
Summary of Discussion	The Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Public Protection presented a report which provided an assessment of the impact from aligning the permanent, whole-time firefighter resource to the times of greatest service demand. In line with his remit, the Cabinet Member had met with various Fire and Rescue Service (IWFRS) staff across the Island as part of his extensive research and investigation into the impacts which included the comparing with other Fire Authorities in the country.
	The Cabinet Member highlighted the passion of Islands

Firefighters and praised their role in keeping the community safe. It was noted that the current Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP) which set out the objectives and priorities for the service to undertake the functions bestowed on it by the Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004, recognised the significant difference in the number of incidents the IWFRS tended to across a 24-hour period, and that this difference was not reflected in how the service allocated its emergency response resources. Cabinet noted the concerns of the Scrutiny Committee held on 9 October 2018 where they concluded that the report did not provide sufficient evidence to enable a decision to be made and that the matter should be deferred until the inspection report from HMICFRS had been received. It was also clarified that any proposals to redesign shift patterns would be in consultation with all staff. The Cabinet Member gave assurance that the Chief Fire Officer would engage with all Fire and Rescue staff to ensure work patterns was established that worked best for everyone and which provided the best work life balance. Regarding Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire and Rescue Services (HMICFRS) and the outcome report of the inspection of the IWFRS in July 2018, it was noted that the paper was imminent. Members were also assured that by agreeing to the recommendation, it only would allow the Chief Fire Officer to start the process in discussing the way forward. No changes would be made prior to the HMICFRS report being received and any changes to shift patterns would be influenced by the information contained within it. Issues raised by It was clarified that the decision would be an executive one on other members behalf of the Fire Authority. THAT the impact report be endorsed. Decision taken Ш THAT the Chief Fire Officer be allowed to align the wholetime resources to the times of greatest demand Reason for the To produce an integrated risk management plan (IRMP) which sets out the objectives and priorities for the service to decision and corporate objective it undertake the functions conferred on it by the Fire and Rescue aligns with Services Act 2004. Changing the shift system and the way staff are rostered would continue to ensure the most efficient use of resources,

	increasing the capacity for training, risk information gathering and prevention work, thus meeting Outcome 2 of the IRMP 'Matching resources to the levels of risk'
Options considered and rejected	Option 1 - Reject the impact report and do not proceed with aligning the whole-time resources to the times of greatest demand.
Declarations of Interests	None declared.

Agenda item	Cabinet Member Announcements
Decision reference	31 (18/19)
Amendments / Additions / Removals	The Leader announced that the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health had been shortlisted from 200 to a final five for a national councillor Health and Care award for her services to social care on the Island. The 2018 Councillor Achievement Awards ceremony would take place on Tuesday 6th November 2018 at the Guildhall, London. The Cabinet Member for Planning and Housing advised that the Island Plan would need to be delayed by a few weeks in order to take into account revised legislation. The Cabinet Member for Environment and Heritage advised that the feasibility for the Heritage Offices was progressing well. Work with Natural England and the establishment of Coastal paths around the north east of the Island was also developing. It was also noted that Expressions of Interest for Dinosaur Isle were now being received.

Agenda item	Consideration of the Forward Plan
Decision reference	32 (18/19)
Amendments / Additions / Removals	Members reviewed the Forward Plan and it was noted that the Feasibility Study into the Undercliff drive works had been deferred for six months to allow for more information to be attained over the viability and affordability of the project. All other items on the plan were on schedule.

Agenda item	Members' Question Time
Decision reference	33 (18/19)
Questions	Cllr Michael Lilley put a written question to the Cabinet Member for Environment and Heritage with regard to the Tidal Energy project.

The Cabinet Member provided a written response (MQ 12/18).

Cllr Tyndall asked an oral question on whether the Cabinet 'On The Road' Initiative had proven to be worthwhile so far and if it had attracted the desired turnout of public and town and parish councillors.

The Leader stated that the turnout could always be better, but by and large it had so far proven to be a useful exercise in giving the public and local town and parish councillors an opportunity to engage.