

**Monday, 4 April 2022**



**BABERGH DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**DECISIONS NOTICE**

**DECISIONS BY THE BABERGH CABINET  
CALL IN DEADLINE 5:00PM ON 13 APRIL 2022**

The following decisions have been taken by the Cabinet and will come into effect on 14 April 2022 unless the call-in procedure is activated. For clarity, where an item is 'to be noted', 'received' or recommended to Council for a decision, this is deemed not to be a formal Executive decision and so the call-in provisions will not apply.

**BCA/21/48 HOMES ENGLAND 2021/22 COMPLIANCE AUDIT PROGRAMME - IPSWICH ROAD, BRANTHAM**

**It was RESOLVED: -**

**That Babergh District Council formally acknowledged the compliance audit received from Homes England in relation to the affordable housing development at Ipswich Road, Brantham.**

**REASON FOR DECISION**

To meet the obligations set out in the funding agreement between the Homes and Communities Agency (now Homes England) and Babergh District Council in relation to the Shared Ownership Affordable Homes Programme 2016-2021

**Alternative Options Considered and Rejected:**

There are no options to consider.

**Any Declarations of Interests Declared:** None

**Any Dispensation Granted:** None

## **BCa/21/49 COUNCIL TAX ENERGY REBATE 2022/23**

**It was RESOLVED: -**

- 1.1 That Cabinet gave authority to the Assistant Director for Corporate Resources in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance to agree the discretionary Council Tax Energy Policy, in accordance with the relevant Government guidelines.**
- 1.2 That Cabinet gave authority to the Shared Revenues Partnership (SRP) Operations Manager to administer the scheme for the Council Tax Energy Rebate and the discretionary Council Tax Energy Policy.**

### **REASON FOR DECISION**

To provide support to households to pay energy bills.

To enable the implementation of the discretionary policy.

### **Alternative Options Considered and Rejected:**

- 2.1 Option 1 – Delegate authority to the Assistant Director for Corporate Resources in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance to agree the discretionary Council Tax Energy Policy, in accordance with the relevant Government guidelines.**

A new policy can be introduced in a timely fashion for the discretionary element of the relief and applications can be invited from households.

- 2.2 Option 2 – Once the policy is drafted, it is brought back to Cabinet for consideration**

Following Cabinet approval, the discretionary policy can be implemented, and applications invited.

**Any Declarations of Interests Declared: None**

**Any Dispensation Granted: None**

## **BCa//21/50 BMSDC SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL VISION & LOCAL CYCLING AND WALKING INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN**

**It was RESOLVED: -**

- 1.1 That the joint Councils' draft LCWIP and Sustainable Transport vision be endorsed.**
- 1.2 That the completion of the final documentation be delegated to the Assistant Director for Economic Development and Regeneration in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Climate Change, Biodiversity and Sustainable Travel.**

## **REASON FOR DECISION**

Endorsement is recommended so that the LCWIP can be supported and utilised as recommended by National Government guidance. The Sustainable Travel Vision will be used to inform the public about our key values, aims, ambitions and narrative around Sustainable Travel. The LCWIP will also be made public, but the key functions of this document are to inform SCC Highways and our own planning directorate of our active travel infrastructure ambitions, in order to capture opportunity for delivery.

### **Alternative Options Considered and Rejected:**

Option 1 – To endorse these strategical documents

Option 2 – To decide not to endorse these strategical documents

**Any Declarations of Interests Declared:** Councillor Osborne declared a non-pecuniary interest in her role as the Council's representative on the Gainsborough House Society.

**Any Dispensation Granted:** None