# **NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL**

#### **EXECUTIVE BOARD**

MINUTES of the meeting held at Ground Floor Committee Room - Loxley House, Station Street, Nottingham, NG2 3NG on 16 January 2018 from 2.00 pm - 2.06 pm

#### **Membership**

<u>Present</u> <u>Absent</u>

Councillor Graham Chapman (Vice Councillor Nick McDonald

Chair)

Councillor Jon Collins (Chair)

Councillor Sally Longford Councillor David Mellen

Councillor Toby Neal

Councillor Dave Trimble

Councillor Jane Urquhart

Councillor Sam Webster

# Colleagues, partners and others in attendance:

Councillor Andrew Rule – Leader, Minority Group Councillor Jim Armstrong – Minority Group

Noel McMenamin - Governance Officer

David Bishop - Deputy Chief Executive/Corporate Director for

Development and Growth
- Director of Public Health

Alison Challenger - Director of Publi Ian Curryer - Chief Executive

Keri Usherwood - Portfolio Communications Manager

#### Call-in

Unless stated otherwise, all decisions are subject to call-in. The last date for call-in is 24 January 2018. Decisions cannot be implemented until the working day after this date.

#### 65 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Nick McDonald – work commitments

Candida Brudenell Alison Michalska

#### 66 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None.

# 67 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 19 December 2017 were agreed as a true record and they were signed by the Chair.

# 68 <u>COUNCIL TAX - DETERMINATION OF THE 2018/19 TAX BASE - KEY DECISION</u>

The Deputy Leader/Portfolio Holder for Resources introduced a report setting out the process and calculations to determine the Council Tax base for 2018/19 in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 2012. Council Tax revenue funds service delivery.

#### **RESOLVED to:**

- (1) approve a tax base of 65,389 for 2018/19;
- (2) agree that a collection rate of 97.0% be used in the determination of the 2018/19 tax base.

#### **Reasons for Decisions**

To enable the Council to estimate future changes to the current tax base during 2018/19 and apply an appropriate anticipated collection rate for the period, which takes into account collection trends and the prevailing economic environment so that the tax base figure can be set and used by the City Council and precepting authorities (i.e. Police and Fire Authorities) in their budget processes in February 2018 to determine the level of Council Tax for 2018/19.

# **Other Options Considered**

None, as the Council is legally required to set a Council Tax base using objective calculations.

# 69 <u>CORPORATE ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN (LAND AND PROPERTY)</u> 2017-2020

RESOLVED to defer consideration of the report to the February 2018 meeting.

# 70 <u>DISPOSAL OF THE FORMER HENRY MELLISH SCHOOL'S DETACHED</u> PLAYING FIELD AT PICCADILLY, HIGHBURY VALE, NOTTINGHAM - KEY DECISION

The Leader/Portfolio Holder for Strategic Infrastructure and Communications introduced the report, seeking approval in principle to sell the freehold or long leasehold interests in the former Henry Mellish School's detached playing field at Piccadilly, Highbury Vale, Nottingham.

#### **RESOLVED** to

(1) agree the principle of selling Nottingham City Council's freehold or long leasehold interest in the former Henry Mellish detached playing field at

Piccadilly, Highbury Vale, Nottingham, and to delegate authority to the Director of Strategic Assets and Property, in consultation with the Leader, to agree the method and terms of sale, including price;

- (2) delegate authority to the Director of Strategic Assets and Property to approve any instructions and associated expenditure required prior to sale. Such expenditure may include, but is not limited to, the sourcing of site and ground investigations, demolition of buildings, appointment of experts or specialists in development and planning matters to obtain a planning consent prior to sale;
- (3) utilise the capital receipt as required by the Secretary of State for Education's consent to dispose of the site.

# Reasons for decisions

Nottingham's Playing Pitch Strategy identifies the site as surplus to the sports and recreational needs of the city.

The site provides potential as a residential development opportunity, to contribute to Nottingham's housing need and to achieve capital receipts.

The Secretary of State has granted consent to dispose of the former school playing field.

# Other options considered

Not selling the site: rejected as a missed opportunity for the City Council to contribute to tackling Nottingham's housing need and to accrue capital receipts upon sale.

Retention of the site: rejected as no alternative use has been identified, and its continued retention is a financial burden on the Council.

# 71 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration of the remaining item in accordance with Section 100A(4) OF THE Local Government Act 1972 on the basis that, having regard to all the circumstances, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

72 <u>DISPOSAL OF THE FORMER HENRY MELLISH SCHOOL'S DETACHED</u> <u>PLAYING FIELD AT PICCADILLY, HIGHBURY VALE, NOTTINGHAM -</u> <u>EXEMPT APPENDIX</u>

RESOLVED to note the information in the exempt appendices of the report of the Leader/Portfolio Holder for Strategic Infrastructure and Communications.

#### Reasons for Decision

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As detailed in minute 70.

Other options considered

As detailed in minute 70.