

Coventry City Council
Minutes of the Meeting of Cabinet Member for Housing and Communities held at
4.00 pm on Monday, 18 June 2018

Present:

Members: Councillor Ruane (Chair)
Councillor R Bailey (Shadow Cabinet Member)
Councillor M Lapsa (Shadow Cabinet Member)

By Invitation: Councillor R Lakha - Binley and Willenhall Ward Councillor
Councillor J Mutton - Binley and Willenhall Ward Councillor

Employees (by Directorate):

Place: M Andrews, C Bradford, R Haigh, U Patel

Apologies: Councillor B Kaur

Public Business

1. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

2. Willenhall Neighbourhood Plan - Referendum Result and Adoption

Further to Minute 55-18 of the Cabinet Member for Community Development meeting held on 30 January, 2018, the Cabinet Member considered a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) which provided results of the referendum on the Willenhall Neighbourhood Plan.

At the meeting held on 30 January 2018, the Cabinet Member accepted the Examiner's recommendations and agreed that the Willenhall Neighbourhood Plan should proceed to referendum. The referendum was held on 3 May 2018 and resulted in a 'yes' outcome

The Cabinet Member was requested to 'make' (adopt) the Willenhall Neighbourhood Plan and bring it into legal force as part of the Local Plan for Coventry. There were not considered to be any reasons not to 'make' the Plan nor alternative options. Paragraph 38A (4)(a) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 as amended, requires that the Council must 'make' the Neighbourhood Plan if more than half of those voting have voted in favour of the Plan.

RESOLVED that the Cabinet Member for Housing and Communities:

- 1. Considered the results of the referendum and formally agrees to 'make' (adopt) the Willenhall Neighbourhood Plan.**

2. Approves the Decision Statement attached at Appendix 1 to be published in accordance with Regulation 19 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General Regulations) (as amended) 2012.

3. Outstanding Issues

The Cabinet Member noted a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Place) that identified those issues on which further reports had been requested and were outstanding so that progress could be monitored.

4. Any other item of public business which the Cabinet Member decides to take as matters of urgency because of the special circumstances involved

4.1 Conference Approval - Urban Innovation Actions - UIA Experts Kick off meeting, Brussels

RESOLVED that the Cabinet Member approves the attendance of two officers at the Urban Innovation Actions – UIA Experts Kick off meeting, Brussels on 3 July, 2018.

(Note: This item was considered as an urgent item of business on the grounds that the next scheduled Cabinet Member meeting is on 6 August 2018, which is after the date of the visit.)

(Meeting closed at 4.25 pm)