

CHELMSFORD CITY COUNCIL CABINET

SUMMARY OF DECISIONS – 12 September 2023

CALL-IN BY MONDAY, 17 September 2023, 5pm

Subject

Proposed Amendment to Housing Allocations Policy

Decision

RESOLVED to

1. amend the existing policy to allow applicants in three and four bedroom homes to be considered for general needs homes with two as well as one-bedroom homes.
2. Monitor the changes and report to Cabinet in 12 months time on the effectiveness and impact on the housing options of others.
3. Change the wording of the policy to, “The applicant is a tenant of a registered provider within Chelmsford and is giving up a two-bedroom general needs property to move to a one bedroom property, or giving up a three or four bedroom general needs property to move to a one or two bedroom property.”

Status

No call-in as yet.

Reason for Decision

This was the preferred option as it would be the quickest to implement and would retain the largest affordable homes for those families to whom the Council is struggling to meet our legal duties to, those that are homeless and living in temporary accommodation.

Action by

P Gayler

Subject

Hylands Park – Public Spaces Protection Order

Decision

RESOLVED that the Director of Public Places be authorised to make the Public Spaces Protection Order as presented, with an amendment to the black hatching section of the map detailed in Appendix 2, to remove where it had encroached onto the car parks near Hylands House and the Writtle entrance as dogs had to be on leads in car parks at all times.

Status

Called in on 14th September.

Reason for Decision

To enable everybody to enjoy the park in the manner they wish to and to provide a safe environment for all park users.

Action by

P Brookes

Subject

Food Plan

Decision

RESOLVED to approve the Food Plan.

Status

No call-in as yet.

Reason for Decision

To contribute to achieving the best possible environment for the health of residents and a thriving, sustainable local economy.

Action by

P Brookes

Subject

Environmental Crime Fixed Penalty Notice Level of Fine

Decision

RESOLVED to approve the proposed levels of fine.

Status

No call-in as yet.

Reason for Decision

The increased levels of fine reflected the seriousness and consequences of the offences, whilst taking into account people's ability to pay.

Action by

P Brookes

Subject

North Essex Economic Strategy and Delivery Plan

Decision

RESOLVED that the North Essex Economic Strategy and Delivery Plan be adopted and the work of the North Essex Economic Board continue to be supported.

Status

No call-in as yet.

Reason for Decision

The City Council had been a partner since 2020 and the partnership had been successful in delivering a range of economic development initiatives alongside the other partners authorities, sharing resources, expertise and delivering positive outcomes. The adoption of the Strategy and Delivery Plan would cement the partnership and lay the foundations for continued joint working across the North Essex Economic Area. The strategy aligned with the City Council's corporate, economic and spatial planning objectives and would also assist in shaping any economic activity that emerged from the devolution agenda and associated discussions.

Action by

S Graham
