Cabinet – Monday, 8 September 2025 Decision List

Notes:

All decisions in this Decision List which are not identified as RECOMMENDATIONS to Council are capable of being "called-in" under Section 8 of Chapter 4, Part 3 of the Constitution. If not called-in, they will take effect on the expiry of 5 clear working days after the publication of this decision list.

For the avoidance of doubt, the deadline for a call-in request for this decision list will be **Tuesday 16th September**

The officer listed as taking action will generally be the author of the original report unless otherwise notified to the Democratic Services Team.

ACTION BY

8 - BUDGET MONITORING Period 4 2025/26

Decision RESOLVED

To recommend the following to Full Council:

- a) Approval is requested from Full Council to decrease the 2025/26 capital budget for the Mundesley Coastal Defence scheme to £1,139,806 to reflect the apportionment of £250k from external contributions to the Cromer Scheme.
- b) Approval is requested from Full Council to increase the 2025/26 capital budget for the Cromer Coastal Defences scheme to £1,096,067 to reflect the apportionment of £250k from external contributions from the Mundesley Scheme.
- c) Note the contents of the Q1 Treasury Management update report, appendix F.

Reason for the decision:

To update members on the current budget monitoring position for the Council.

Recommendation to Full Council

9 - Extension of the Processing of Co-mingled Recyclables Decision	Jemma Alston Contracts and Waste Services Manager
 To agree the extension of the Processing of Co-mingled Dry Recyclables contract (the Contract) with NEWS Ltd through to 31st March 2030 on its current terms is agreed. To extend the scope of the services provided by NEWS Ltd to under the Contract from the year 2026/7 to comply with the change in law introducing Simpler Recycling and Extended Producer Responsibility requirements is agreed conditional on such changes being approved in accordance with the Shareholder Agreement with NEWS Ltd. 	
Reason for the decision:	
 To ensure a continuation of the current JV through the period of local government reorganisation to provide consistent recycling services to residents of Norfolk and North Norfolk High risk for the council to undertake a procurement exercise at a time of high uncertainty due to material mix in the recycling system associated with Deposit Return Scheme and associated price uncertainty 	
10 - Provision of Kitchen Caddy Liners to Support Food Waste Service Rollout	
Decision RESOLVED	Jemma Alston Contracts and Waste Services Manager
To agree to support:	
Option 1: Provide a single roll of 26 bags per household as a starter kit only. This option will be a one-off distribution at service launch and will support households in adapting to the new service. There will be limited cost exposure to the council with no ongoing commitment.	
Reason for the decision:	

To provide clear direction which will allow for the future planning of the service and the procurement of services.	
11 - Endorsement of the Updated Joint Norfolk Strategic Planning Framework	
Decision RESOLVED:	lain Withington Acting Planning Policy Manager
 To endorse the updated Norfolk Strategic Planning Framework. To give delegated authority to the Acting Planning Policy Manager to make necessary minor/factual amendments, following the progress of the framework through other local authorities, prior to signature & publication 	
Reason for the decision:	
The updated Norfolk Strategic Planning Framework is a key piece of evidence supporting Local Plan production. The framework is a Statement of Common Ground which sets out how strategic cross-boundary matters have been considered and provides much of the evidence that is required to demonstrate compliance with the 'duty to cooperate'.	
12 - Japanese Knotweed - Overstrand Cliffs	
Decision RESOLVED:	Robert Young Assistant Director for Sustainable Growth;
To provide a total budget of up to £120,000 from the 'reactive coastal works' budget (approved by Cabinet in March 2025) and the CTAP budget, to undertake the actions recommended in this report to address the knotweed issues over the period between autumn 2025 and autumn 2027.	
 The actions will include: Complete a programme of four containment foliar sprays by lance/stem injection between 2025 and 2027, for a 3-metre strip at both the base and the top of the coastal slope Complete works for clearance of promenade and licenced disposal of slump material containing Japanese Knotweed 	

- 3. Complete works to stabilise the base of the coastal slope, landwards of the top of the sea wall in the immediate proximity of promenade clearance works, to inhibit further encroachment of slump material potentially containing Japanese Knotweed
- 4. Further investigate the potential for annual foliar spraying, utilising appropriate methods, across the entire area containing the Japanese Knotweed infestation, then implement treatment by the most appropriate means (potentially between 2025 and 2027)
- 5. Implement and promote stakeholder engagement and community awareness, through stakeholder coordination, raising public awareness and education of the knotweed issue
- 6. Investigate approaches to maintaining vegetative cover during treatment of Japanese Knotweed and re-establishing vegetation post-treatment of Japanese Knotweed, in order to reduce the potential impact of rainfall-induced surface water run-off upon cliff instability
- 7. Implement long-term monitoring of Japanese Knotweed infestation, covering 2025 to 2027 treatment period and subsequent treatment/post treatment periods, as required. Long-term monitoring to track changes in infestation size and vegetation cover and review and refine initial treatment approaches, potentially including further foliar spraying and/or stem injection.

Reasons for the decision:

To ensure appropriate action is taken in a timely manner to meet the Council's legal responsibilities and allow other works to proceed.

13 - Fakenham Leisure Centre and Sports Hub Project

Decision

RESOLVED:

To approve the award of contract for the build phase of the Fakenham Leisure and Sports Hub project by appointing Alliance Leisure Services Ltd from a framework agreement, who will appoint DDI Projects Limited and any necessary complementary appointments within this Stage.

Reason for the decision:

Steve Hems Director of Service Delivery

To enable the award of contract for the build phase of the Fakenham Leisure and Sports Hub project	
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