

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council Statement of Decisions made at a meeting of the Executive on Wednesday, 20 July 2022

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The following decisions were made by the Executive at its meeting on **Wednesday, 20 July 2022**. These decisions will come into force on **28th July 2022**.

A decision by the Executive may be called-in (in accordance with Part 4 – Scrutiny Procedure Rules of the Council's Constitution) by **28th July 2022**. Should you have any queries about any decision that has been made, contact should be made in the first instance to Democratic Services at democratic_services@sandwell.gov.uk. Any declaration of interest made by any member of the Executive is shown below.

<p>6</p>	<p>Item Resolved:-</p> <p>1.1 The Cabinet determined that the preferred option for the Brandhall site, Oldbury as:</p> <p>Option 3 - Provision of land for a new primary school, a new public park and development of circa 190 residential dwellings.</p> <p>1.2 That should Cabinet determine the preferred option to be Option 1b, 2, 3, or 4 then the Director of Finance in conjunction with the Director of Regeneration and Growth be authorised to identify the best option to fund the preferred option including the submission of any external funding applications and any required market testing as may be necessary.</p> <p>1.3 That subject to 1.2 above and once more detailed costs are available, a further report be bought back to Cabinet setting out the funding strategy for the preferred option and seeking approval for inclusion into the Capital Programme.</p>	<p>Reason for Decision:</p> <p>It is considered appropriate to provide an opportunity for members to reconsider options (including a do-nothing option) for the future of the Brandhall site given the outcomes of the public consultation and the additional technical and financial information gathered to date.</p> <p>The Local Sites Partnership (LSP) have recommended to the Council that the Brandhall site be designated as a Site for Local Importance for Nature Conservation. Members are required to determine whether to accept in full, in part, or not at all the recommendation from the LSP.</p>	<p>Alternative options:</p> <p>A number of options were put forward to Cabinet:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 1a - No change • Option 1b - Development of a new public park • Option 2 - Provision of land for a new primary school and development of a new public park • Option 3 - Provision of land for a new primary school, a new public park and development of circa 190 residential dwellings • Option 4 - Provision of land for a new primary school, a new public park and development of circa 360 residential dwellings
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	<p>1.4 That should Cabinet determine the preferred option be option 2, 3, or 4 delegated authority be given to the Director of Regeneration and Growth to submit a planning application or applications in line with the preferred option.</p> <p>1.5 That should Cabinet determine the preferred option to be option 2, 3, or 4 then delegated authority be given to the Director of Regeneration and Growth and the Director of Finance to allocate a minimum of £2.5m of Community Infrastructure Levy Funding from the 80% Main CIL fund towards the capital cost of the replacement of Causeway Green Primary School.</p> <p>1.6 That should Cabinet determine the preferred option to be Options 2, 3 or 4, then the Director of Children and Education submit a further report to Cabinet setting out full proposals for a capital scheme to provide a replacement primary school at Brandhall for Causeway Green Primary School.</p>			
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	<p>1.7 That should Cabinet determine the preferred option be option 2, 3, or 4 delegated authority be given to the Director of Regeneration and Growth to take necessary steps (including publication of necessary statutory notices under S.122(2A) of the Local Government Act 1972 (and consideration of any objections received) related to the appropriation of any public open space for Education or Housing purposes [and for the Director of Finance to make the necessary financial adjustments, with regard to the appropriation], and authorises the appropriation of the public open space for Education and/or Housing purposes.</p> <p>1.8 That should Cabinet determine the preferred option to be Options 3 or 4 then reserves from Regeneration and Growth Directorate be allocated for resources to project manage the delivery of the preferred option.</p> <p>1.9 That should Cabinet determine the preferred option to be Option 3 or 4 then approval be given to add this to the Council's approved regeneration Pipeline as a new project.</p> <p>1.10 That in relation to the proposed Site of Importance for Nature Conservation Cabinet;</p>			
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	<p>b. Approves the designation of land at Brandhall as a Site of Local Importance for Nature Conservation (SLINC) excluding any land required for development to deliver the preferred option determined under recommendation 1.1 above.</p>			
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