

Minutes of the Cabinet

23 February 2023

-: Present :-

Councillor Steve Darling (Chairman)

Councillors Carter, Cowell, Law, Long, Morey and Stockman

(Also in attendance: Councillors Barrand, Brooks (virtual), Bye, Douglas-Dunbar (virtual), Foster, Hill (virtual), Chris Lewis, David Thomas and Jacqueline Thomas (virtual))

443. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 10 January 2023 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

444. Disclosure of Interests

Councillors Steve Darling, Cowell and Morey declared non-pecuniary interests details of which are set out in the Record of Decisions appended to Minute 447 and Minute 448.

445. Communications

The Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance, Councillor Cowell, called upon all Members to sign the open letter to the Chancellor of Exchequer in support of the findings and recommendations set out in the Children's Society report on the Future of Local Welfare – Discretionary Support for Families Facing Crisis (<https://act.childrenssociety.org.uk/page/121919/petition>)

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Steve Darling welcomed Catherine Fritz a representative of the Citizen Advice Bureau to the meeting. Dr Fritz outlined the work of the Citizen Advice Bureau, provided details of a case study, highlighted the increase in the number of residents contacting the Citizen Advice Bureau and how the reason for contact had changed, due to the increase in the cost of living.

446. Matters for Consideration

The Cabinet considered the following matters, full details of which (including the Cabinet's decisions and recommendations to Council) are set out in the Record of Decisions appended to these Minutes.

447. Revenue and Capital Budget 2023/2024

448. Application to Re-designate a Torquay Neighbourhood Forum

- 449. Housing Strategy and Public Consultation**
- 450. Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Strategy**
- 451. Brixham Changing Places**
- 452. Torbay Independent Reviewing Service (IRO) Annual Report 2021-22**
- 453. Torbay Council Annual Pay Policy Statement and Review of Pensions Discretions**

Chairman/woman
