




To: Service Manager (Communities)			
Statement of individual Cabinet Member's decision			
Name of Cabinet Member		Councillor Lee Croxton	
Portfolio		Operational Services	
Delegation authority (usually the delegated powers in annex 1.6 and 1.7)		Annex 1.6 and 1.7 of the Constitution	
Cabinet decision date	N/A	Minute No	or
Declaration of Interests (if any)		None	
Of the Cabinet Member making the decision		None	
Of any other Cabinet Member consulted in relation to the decision: N/A			
Topic	Contaminated Land Strategy Review		
Decision	To approve the revised Contaminated Land Strategy 2023		
Reasons for the decision:	<p>Part 2A of the Environmental Protection Act (EPA) 1990 requires local authorities to take a strategic approach to inspect the land within its geographic boundaries, to identify and prioritise contaminated land most likely to pose an unacceptable risk to human health, and to publish this information within a written Strategy. The Department for Environment Farming and Rural Affairs (Defra) published revised Statutory Guidance in April 2012, which requires all local authorities to periodically review their existing Inspection Strategy to ensure it remains up to date.</p> <p>The Council published its first written Strategy in 2002 with revisions published in 2009 and 2013. A review of the council's 2013 Strategy has not been required to date as there have not been any changes to legislation, Statutory Guidance, nor the council's primary approach to identifying and remediating contaminated land through the planning process since the adoption and publication of the current policy.</p> <p>Whilst this remains the case, updates and improvements to processes and GIS mapping data identified as being required in order to support delivery of the Council's statutory duties were set out in a draft revised Contaminated Land Strategy 2023 and considered by the Operational Services Cabinet Committee on 24 November 2022.</p> <p>Following consideration of the subsequent public consultation responses and consultancy advice received in respect of the draft Strategy, as set out in a report to the Portfolio Holder for Operational Services dated 28 March 2023, the final Contaminated Land Strategy has been approved.</p>		
Other options considered (if any): None			
I confirm that this decision is:			

Please mark/tick	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In accordance with the council's Policy Framework <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Within the council's approved budget <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In compliance with the council's contract procedure rules <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In compliance with the council's financial procedure rules <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In accordance with the protocol for Cabinet member decisions		
Background papers used (if any)	Committee Report to the Operational Services Cabinet Committee on 24 November 2022 Report to Portfolio Holder Operational Services dated 28 March 2023		
Signature (countersigned by Executive Leader if a Key Decision)		Date:	31 / 3 / 23

All decisions must be made in accordance with the decision-making rules laid down in the constitution and must be in compliance with the policy framework, the approved budget, contract procedure rules and financial procedure rules.

The allocations of areas of responsibility to Lead Members and their delegated powers are laid out in annex 1.6 and 1.7 and may only be exercised accordingly. The Executive Leader is entitled to change the allocation of portfolios to Lead Members at any time.

In addition to the above, further delegations may be made from time to time.

Key decisions may not be made by individual Cabinet Members other than the Executive Leader. In the case of a Key Decision recommended by a Cabinet Member, the Executive Leader's countersignature will be required in order to effect the decision.

The Chief Executive was given delegated authority to respond to consultation documents on behalf of the Cabinet in consultation with the appropriate portfolio holder at the Cabinet meeting on 7 March 2011.

This decision will come into force and may then be implemented on the expiry of 5 working days after publication unless it is called in.

If the decision has been made under the special urgency provisions then it cannot be called in.