### NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

### **DECISION SHEET**

Meeting of the Cabinet held in the Council Chamber, District Council Offices, Gernon Road, Letchworth Garden City on Monday, 10th September, 2018 at 3.00 pm

# 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

# 1 NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business notified.

## 2 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (1) The Chairman advised that this extra meeting was necessary due to the deadline of 25 September 2018 for submission of bids to the Government and it was necessary for all authorities in Hertfordshire to make a decision regarding this subject prior to that date.
- (2) The Chairman informed Members that the timing of the meeting was necessary as an evening meeting could not be scheduled and thanked Members for attending;
- (3) The Chairman announced that Members of the public and the press may use their devices to film/photograph, or do a sound recording of the meeting, but she asked them to not use flash and to disable any beeps or other sound notifications that emitted from their devices.
- (4) The Chairman advised that, in accordance with Council policy, this meeting was being audio recorded;
- (5) The Chairman reminded Members that, in line with the Code of Conduct, any Declarations of Interest needed to be declared immediately prior to the item in question. Members wishing to declare a 'Councillor Speaking Right' must declare it at the same time as the interest.
- (6) The Chairman asked that, for the benefit of any members of the public present at the meeting, Officers announce their name and their designation to the meeting when invited to speak.

# 3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no presentations from members of the public.

#### 4 BUSINESS RATES PILOT AND POOLING

**RESOLVED:** That Cabinet delegates to the Service Director- Resources, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, authority to decide whether NHDC should be part of the application for a Business Rates pilot and / or a Business Rates pool.

**REASON FOR DECISION:** It is recommended that the offers available are reviewed due to the potential financial benefits for NHDC and Hertfordshire as a whole. The delegation is recommended as a result of the timing of when bids need to be submitted.