

Wiltshire Council

Cabinet

24 March 2020

Subject: Report Update - Service Devolution & Asset Transfer Package - Bradford on Avon

Cabinet Member: Councillor Richard Clewer – Cabinet Member for Corporate Services, Heritage, Arts, Tourism, Housing, Climate Change and Military-Civilian Integration.

Key Decision: Non-Key

The purpose of this statement is to update the submitted Cabinet paper relating to the Devolution of Services and Assets to Bradford on Avon Town Council.

Background

Service Devolution programme aims to combine local services and their associated assets into a single package for transfer to Towns and Parish Councils. Based on the approved policy from November 2017, the package for Bradford on Avon contains services from a number of areas including Environment services; specifically, the open cemetery, which consists of the service to run the cemetery as well as the two assets associated with it, including the proposed cemetery extension site.

Report Update:

Following discussions and ongoing negotiations with Bradford on Avon Town Council. The Programme would like to request that the transfer of the cemetery service and assets is delayed until the finer details have been agreed.

It is proposed that the transfer of all other elements of the package still proceeds with an estimated transfer of early Summer 2020 with the cemetery service and assets following on as soon as reasonably practicable.

Recommendation:

Further to the approval recommendations of the primary Service Devolution and Asset Transfer – Bradford on Avon report, Cabinet is requested to acknowledge and approve the delayed transfer of the Cemetery Service and associated assets to Bradford on Avon Town Council until such time as the particulars are agreed.

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