Notice of Exemption to Key Decision Process

Newbold Comyn Cycle Trails

The Cabinet have been asked to consider, at their meeting in May 2024, a report that seeks approval to commence the procurement of an external operator for the cycle trails at Newbold Comyn, to advertise for a cafe operator for a commercial lease on the cafe in the Hub at the cycle trails, and to note the allocated funding to complete the fit out of the Hub.

The trails officially opened in October 2023 and have been managed with the support of specialist contractors, a local cycle club and British Cycling. The "Hub" based in the adjacent grade II listed barns has been completed but as yet not "fitted out". There is further work required to ensure that the Hub buildings are secure before the current hoarding can be removed, and landscaping completed.

It was not possible for the Council to meet the requirement for publishing this notice 28 days in advance of the decision being taken because the Cabinet agreed to this report coming forward earlier than anticipated (initially June Cabinet) to enable works to start earlier (if they were approved).

It is anticipated that when the matter is reported to Cabinet either all or most of the report will be confidential due to it containing Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

The Chief Executive, Deputy Chief Executive, Head of Finance, Leader and Overview & Scrutiny Committee Chair have all agreed for the Cabinet considering this report.

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