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| Subject: | Items referred from the Council meeting held on the 22 August 2020 | | |
| | Improving Availability of Beach Huts and Chalets – Notice of Motion | | |
| Date of Meeting: | 19 November 2020 | | |
| Report of: | Executive Lead Officer for Strategy, Governance & Law | | |
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| Wards Affected: | All | | |

FOR GENERAL RELEASE

1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:

- 1.1 To receive the following Notice of Motion which was debated at and referred from the full Council meeting held on the 22 August 2020.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.1 That the Committee responds to the motion concerning, Improving the Availability of Beach Huts and Chalets, either by noting it or where it is considered more appropriate, calling for an officer report on the matter as requested, which may give consideration to a range of options;

3. CONTEXT / BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 The following resolution from the full council meeting held on the 22 October 2020 for the committee to consider is detailed below:

COUNCIL

4.30pm 22 OCTOBER 2020

**VIRTUAL MEETING - TEAMS
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Present: Councillors Robins (Chair), Mears (Deputy Chair), Allcock, Appich, Atkinson, Bagaeen, Barnett, Bell, Brennan, Brown, Childs, Clare, Davis, Deane, Druitt, Ebel, Evans, Fishleigh, Fowler, Gibson, Grimshaw, Hamilton, Heley, Henry, Hill, Hills, Hugh-Jones, Janio, Knight, Lewry, Littman, Lloyd, Mac Cafferty, McNair, Miller, Moonan, Nemeth, Nield, O'Quinn, Osborne, Peltzer Dunn, Phillips, Pissaridou, Platts, Powell, Rainey, Shanks, Simson, C Theobald, Wares, West, Wilkinson and Williams.

PART ONE

NOTICES OF MOTION

52. IMPROVING THE AVAILABILITY OF BEACH HUTS AND CHALETS

- 52.1 The Notice of Motion as listed in the agenda was proposed by Councillor Platts on behalf of the Labour Group and formally seconded by Councillor Allcock who reserved his right to speak in the debate.
- 52.2 Councillor Nemeth moved an amendment on behalf of the Conservative Group which was formally seconded by Councillor Mears.
- 52.3 Councillors Ebel, Fowler and Allcock spoke on the motion and the amendment. Councillor Platts thanked everyone for their comments and confirmed that she did not accept the amendment.
- 52.4 The Mayor noted that the amendment had not been accepted and therefore put the amendment from the Conservative Group to the vote and called on each of the Group Leaders to confirm their position as well as the Groups in turn followed by each of the Independent Members:

Councillor Mac Cafferty stated that the Green Group were against the amendment and this was confirmed by the Green Group Members;

Councillor Platts stated that the Labour Group were against the amendment and this was confirmed by the Labour Group Members;

Councillor Bell stated that the Conservative were in favour of the amendment and this was confirmed by the Conservative Group Members;

Councillor Brennan confirmed that she was voting against the amendment;

Councillor Fishleigh confirmed that she was voting in favour of the amendment;

Councillor Janio confirmed that he was voting in favour of the amendment;

Councillor Knight confirmed that she was voting against the amendment.

- 52.5 The Mayor confirmed that the amendment had been lost and therefore put the motion as listed to the vote:

This Council notes that we are currently conducting a consultation on beach chalets and that due to demand, the waiting lists are currently closed; Council also notes that a report is due to go before committee after the current consultation ends in November in order to receive the findings of this consultation;

Council requests that this report:

1. Explores options to finance the building of additional beach chalets or beach huts to rent or to purchase;
2. Identifies locations for more chalets and huts along parts the seafront including less well-visited parts to help regenerate those areas and provide essential footfall for local businesses including east of the Palace Pier;
3. Identifies how beach huts and chalet income east of the Palace Pier could support additional borrowing and regeneration of Madeira Terraces and contribute to the wider area's regeneration and renewal.

52.6 The Mayor then called on each of the Group Leaders to confirm their position as well as the Groups in turn followed by each of the Independent Members:

Councillor Mac Cafferty stated that the Green Group were in favour of the motion and this was confirmed by the Green Group Members;

Councillor Platts stated that the Labour Group were in favour of the motion and this was confirmed by the Labour Group Members;

Councillor Bell stated that the Conservative were in favour of the motion and this was confirmed by the Conservative Group Members;

Councillor Brennan confirmed that she was voting for the motion;

Councillor Fishleigh confirmed that she was voting for the motion;

Councillor Janio confirmed that he was voting for the motion;

Councillor Knight confirmed that she was voting for the motion.

52.7 The Mayor confirmed that the motion had been carried unanimously.

