



CABINET



18 JANUARY 2023

NOTICE OF DECISIONS

Publication Date of this Notice: - Thursday, 19th January 2023.

Deadline Date for Call-in of any decision: - 8.45 a.m. Thursday, 26th January 2023 up to that deadline the Interim Chief Executive shall call-in a decision for scrutiny (except for matters of urgent business and decisions for Council) if so, requested by the Chairman or any three Members of the Scrutiny Committee. If there is no call-in the decision will come into force on that deadline.

PART I

(Business taken in public)

Agenda Item 2 (Minute No. 67) - Members' Interests:

There were none.

Agenda Item 3 (Minute No. 68) - Minutes

The Minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 21.12.2022 were approved as a correct record.

Agenda Item 4 (Minute No. 69) - Forward Plan

To comply with regulations under the Localism Act 2011, the Deputy Leader presented a revised Forward Plan to the meeting which outlined key decisions likely to be taken within the next quarter of 2022. The Plan was reviewed each month.

Cabinet noted that it was planned to bring forward a report to the next meeting on managing damp and mould.

Resolved: To note and approve the Forward Plan

Agenda Item 5 (Minute No. 70) – Financial Update

Cabinet was asked to consider the report providing Cabinet with the latest 2022/23 forecast in respect of the General Fund (GF); updating Cabinet on developments of a financial nature, which might impact on the Council's financial plans in respect of either the General Fund, Housing Revenue Account (HRA) or Capital Programme.

Cabinet was also asked to approve the virement identified within report at 6.1.

Resolved:

1. To note the report and the financial forecast at Appendix 1.
2. To approve the proposed virement shown within paragraph 6.1.

Agenda Item 6 (Minute No. 71) – UK Shared Prosperity Fund

Cabinet considered a report on the award of £1,000,000 to Castle Point from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. This followed submission of a bid which included an investment Plan. The award would be paid of over three financial years 2022/23 (£79,307,) 2023/24 (£158,614) and 2024/25 (£762,079) and incorporated into the Council's Capital and Revenue budgets.

Resolved:

1. To note the Investment Plan for the use of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund in Castle Point.
2. To approve the budget as set out in the report in the current financial year and 2023/24 and 2024/25.
3. To agree the preparation of the programme and governance options for a further report to Cabinet

Agenda Item 7 (Minute No. 72) – Knightswick Centre – Proposal to create a detailed business case for investment etc

Cabinet considered a report proposing that the Council commissions a detailed business case for investment in the updating and refurbishment of the Knightswick Shopping Centre, Canvey Island

Resolved:

That the Council allocates up to £150,000 from the Knightswick earmarked reserve to commission a detailed business case for investment in the updating and refurbishment of the Knightswick Shopping Centre

Agenda Item 8 (Minute No. 73) – Public Realm and Play Spaces Fund

Cabinet considered a report creating a Public Realm and Play Spaces Fund to provide public realm and play space improvements in the Borough.

The report set out arrangements for public engagement and the application process.

Resolved:

1. To create a new ear-marked reserve of £140,000 to provide public realm and play space improvements to be known as the Public Realm and Play Spaces Fund.
2. To delegate authority to the Head of Environment in consultation with the Deputy Leader and the s151 Officer to draw down the ear-marked reserve for the purposes set out in this report.

Agenda Item 9 (Minute No. 74) – Award of Building Cleansing Contract Element of the Grounds Maintenance, Street Cleansing and Building Cleansing Contract.

Cabinet considered a report providing information about the results of the procurement and tender evaluation process which had been undertaken for Building Cleansing as part of the new Grounds Maintenance, Street Cleansing & Building Cleansing Contract.

The report included an evaluation of the current arrangement and four options for delivery for delivery of the building cleaning service. Option three was the recommended option providing Cabinet with assurances regarding both the cost and qualitative benefits of outsourcing the Building Cleansing function to the successful Grounds Maintenance and Street Cleansing tenderer.

Resolved:

To note the information provided in the report and approve the award of the Building Cleansing element of the contract for Grounds Maintenance, Street Cleansing and Building Cleansing Services to the successful tenderer, Pinnacle.

Agenda Item 10 (Minute No. 75) – Corporate Performance Scorecard – Quarter 2
Cabinet considered a report setting out the performance figures for the Corporate Performance Scorecard for Q1 2022/23.

Resolved:

To note the report and continue to monitor performance

Agenda Item 11 (Minute No. 76) - Matters to be referred from / to the Policy & Scrutiny Committees:

There were none.

Agenda Item 12 (Minute No. 77) - Matters to be referred from / to the Standing Committees:

There were none.

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The report described the consultation and engagement undertaken with inhouse staff.

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