

Cabinet

**Date & time**

Tuesday, 22 April
2014 at 2.00 pm

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1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: 25 MARCH 2014

The minutes will be available in the meeting room half an hour before the start of the meeting.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests from Members in respect of any item to be considered at the meeting.

Notes:

- In line with the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012, declarations may relate to the interest of the member, or the member's spouse or civil partner, or a person with whom the member is living as husband or wife, or a person with whom the member is living as if they were civil partners and the member is aware they have the interest.
- Members need only disclose interests not currently listed on the Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.
- Members must notify the Monitoring Officer of any interests disclosed at the meeting so they may be added to the Register.
- Members are reminded that they must not participate in any item where they have a disclosable pecuniary interest.

4 PROCEDURAL MATTERS

4a Members' Questions

- (i) The deadline for Member's questions is 12pm four working days before the meeting (*14 April 2014*).

4b Public Questions

The deadline for public questions is seven days before the meeting (*15 April 2014*).

4c Petitions

The deadline for petitions was 14 days before the meeting, and no petitions have been received.

4d Representations received on reports to be considered in private

To consider any representations received in relation why part of the meeting relating to a report circulated in Part 2 of the agenda should be open to the public.

- 5 REPORTS FROM SELECT COMMITTEES, TASK GROUPS, LOCAL COMMITTEES AND OTHER COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL** (Pages 1 - 44)
- A: Council Overview and Scrutiny Committee**
Welfare Reforms in Surrey – task group report
- B: Children and Education Select Committee**
Recommendations re. Home to School Transport Policy (Cabinet report - item 8)
- 6 SCHOOL ORGANISATION PLAN** (Pages 45 - 52)
- The Cabinet is asked to consider the Surrey School Organisation Plan 2013-14 -2022-23 and to make recommendations to Council.
- The Surrey School Organisation Plan (previously called ‘School Organisation in Surrey, SOIS) for 2013-14 – 2022-23 is a contextual document which sets out the policies and principles underpinning school organisation in Surrey. It highlights the likely demand for school places as projected over a 10 year forecast period and sets out the potential changes to provision that may be required in order to meet the statutory duty to provide suitable and sufficient places.
- The report includes a summary of the key points in the plan.
- N.B. The Plan has been printed separately to the agenda, for Members of the Cabinet only.**
- It can be assessed on line:**
www.surreycc.gov.uk/yourcouncil/councillors-and-committees/Cabinet
or paper copies are available on request.
- 7 CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE: RE-COMMISSIONING FOR 2015 - 2020** (Pages 53 - 66)
- Services for Young People (SYP) currently operates nine commissions which contribute towards the overall goal of full participation in education training or employment with training for young people to age 19 and to age 25 for those with special educational needs or disabilities (SEND). These commissions are delivered through in-house services and external providers, where contracts were let generally for a 3 year period expiring in 2015.
- This paper seeks agreement to the strategic direction for re-commissioning for 2015 to 2020.
- [The decisions on this item can be called in by the Children and Education Select Committee]*

8 HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT POLICY 2015

(Pages
67 - 124)

To consider the outcome of the consultation on Surrey's Home to School Transport policy and to decide if any changes should be made for implementation from September 2015.

The motion standing in Mr Cooksey's name, which was referred to Cabinet from County Council on 10 December 2013 will be discussed under this item.

[The decisions on this item can be called in by the Children and Education Select Committee]

9 AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT

(Pages
125 -
132)

The Council has a requirement for transport services for eligible children with special educational needs. This requirement is covered by the current Sole Provider contracts that expire on 31/07/2014.

This report seeks approval to award four contracts for the provision of home-to-school transport services to AMK Chauffeurs Ltd and Supreme Freedom to Travel Ltd starting on 01/08/2014, for a three year period with the option to extend up to a further four years, for provision at four SEN Schools.

The proposed 'Sole Provider' contract arrangement will mean that one transport provider is responsible for delivering the entirety of a School's home-to-school transport for the duration of the contract.

Due to the commercial sensitivity involved in the contract award process, the details of the evaluation process and scores, as well as full financial details are included as confidential information in Part 2 (item 16).

[The decisions on this item can be called in by either the Council Overview and Scrutiny Committee or the Children and Education Select Committee]

10 FLASH OUTTURN REPORT FOR 2013/14 AND PROPOSED CARRY FORWARD REQUESTS FOR 2014/15

(Pages
133 -
144)

As part of improving financial management and service delivery, this flash outturn report presents an early indication of financial outturn for Cabinet to consider at its April meeting. The figures presented are provisional and the final outturn report Cabinet will receive on 27 May 2014 could include some changes.

In line with the Council's multi-year approach to financial management, enabling budget equalisation and avoiding arbitrary cut offs to budgets, services have made requests to carry forward underspent funds for use in 2014/15. Carry forward amounts approved by Cabinet enable services to continue and complete projects that are not finished by 31 March. In total, services have asked to transfer £4.9m of revenue funding to the new financial year.

In 2013/14, services have succeeded in containing expenditure and provisionally forecast underspending by -£6.1m on a total revenue budget of about £1,670m. The Council has spending under control and is applying prudent financial management while continuing to provide services to Surrey's residents and businesses.

Based on these forecasts and Cabinet's approval to carry forward funding for the identified revenue projects and services in 2014/15, the Council's available general balances will be £21.6m at year end. This compares to £20.4m brought forward at 1 April 2013.

The provisional overall capital budget outturn position is +£0.5m overspent on a total capital budget of about £225m. This has changed from February's forecast position by -£1.2m, mainly due to reduced spending in Environment & Infrastructure because of flooding issues. Cabinet will receive the final overall capital budget outturn for 2013/14 on 27 May 2014.

Some capital projects' 2013/14 expenditure is lower than anticipated, in many cases due to the severe weather experienced in December and February. Services request Cabinet's approval to carry forward £39.4m funding to 2014/15 and future years to complete these projects.

[The decisions on this item can be called in by the Council Overview and Scrutiny Committee]

11 JOINT WORKING THROUGH GUILDFORD LOCAL COMMITTEE (Pages

145 -
158)

It is proposed to strengthen and extend the remit of the existing Local Committee arrangements between Surrey County Council (SCC) and Guildford Borough Council (GBC) through the creation of an enhanced Local Committee, with a wider set of advisory functions in the areas of parking, transportation and infrastructure and a greater focus on community involvement through local divisional 'Cluster' meetings.

This will build on the strong track record of collaborative working to date between both Councils. The objectives of the change is to create a Local Committee that more closely reflects the nature of the decisions that need to be made locally, therefore improving outcomes and value for money for Surrey residents and businesses in Guildford through strengthened local democracy and improved partnership working.

Surrey County Council Cabinet approval is sought to agree minor amendments to the advisory functions of Guildford Local Committee.

[The decisions on this item can be called in by the Communities Select Committee]

12 PROPOSED EXPANSION OF SPELTHORNE PRIMARY SCHOOL, ASHFORD FROM A 2 FORM ENTRY PRIMARY (420 PLACES) TO A 3 FORM ENTRY (630 PLACES) FOR SEPTEMBER 2015 (Pages

159 -
162)

There is significant demand for new schools places within Spelthorne, resulting from increases in the birth rate and inward migration into the County. This demand is addressed through the County's five year 2014-19

Medium Term Financial Plan.

Spelthorne Primary School has recently amalgamated into an all through primary school from separate infant and junior schools. As part of the amalgamation the school is expanding from two forms of entry (420 places) to three forms of entry (630 places) from September 2015 providing an additional 210 places.

Spelthorne Primary School has been identified as requiring expansion to meet the demand in the Spelthorne area and this project is being carried out in 3 phases. Phase 1 was an enabling works package and delivered a new staffroom in September 2012. Phase 2 delivered the refurbishment of the Foundation unit providing 60 new places and completed in September 2013.

Cabinet is asked to agree the business case for the final phase of the overall expansion project. This will encompass the whole school and provide a further 150 places, taking the total new primary places to 210 by September 2015. The work is planned to take place over the summer 2014 and 2015 in order to minimise disruption to the school.

N.B. An annex containing exempt information is contained in part 2 of the agenda (item 15)

[The decisions on this item can be called in by the Children and Education Select Committee]

13 LEADER / DEPUTY LEADER / CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS TAKEN SINCE THE LAST CABINET MEETING (Pages 163 - 166)

To note any delegated decisions taken by the Leader, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Members since the last meeting of the Cabinet.

14 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information under the relevant paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

PART TWO - IN PRIVATE

15 PROPOSED EXPANSION OF SPELTHORNE PRIMARY SCHOOL, ASHFORD FROM A 2 FORM ENTRY PRIMARY (420 PLACES) TO A 3 FORM ENTRY (630 PLACES) FOR SEPTEMBER 2015 (Pages 167 - 172)

This is a part 2 annex relating to item 12.

16 AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT (Pages 173 - 178)

This is the part 2 annex relating to item 9.

17 PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS

(Pages
179 -
188)

A: Disposal of Land as part of the Horley North West Sector Development

Exempt: Not for publication under paragraph 3

Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

[The decisions on this item can be called in by the Council Overview and Scrutiny Committee]

B: Disposal of Land at Portesbery Road, Camberley

Exempt: Not for publication under paragraph 3

Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

[The decisions on this item can be called in by the Council Overview and Scrutiny Committee]

18 PUBLICITY FOR PART 2 ITEMS

To consider whether the item considered under Part 2 of the agenda should be made available to the Press and public.

David McNulty
Chief Executive
Thursday, 10 April 2014

QUESTIONS, PETITIONS AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS

The Cabinet will consider questions submitted by Members of the Council, members of the public who are electors of the Surrey County Council area and petitions containing 100 or more signatures relating to a matter within its terms of reference, in line with the procedures set out in Surrey County Council's Constitution.

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2. The number of public questions which can be asked at a meeting may not exceed six. Questions which are received after the first six will be held over to the following meeting or dealt with in writing at the Chairman's discretion.
3. Questions will be taken in the order in which they are received.
4. Questions will be asked and answered without discussion. The Chairman or Cabinet Members may decline to answer a question, provide a written reply or nominate another Member to answer the question.
5. Following the initial reply, one supplementary question may be asked by the questioner. The Chairman or Cabinet Members may decline to answer a supplementary question.

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