

CABINET

The following decisions were taken by the Cabinet on Tuesday, 27 March 2018 and will take effect on 07/04/2018 unless the call-in procedure has been triggered. **CALL-IN DEADLINE: 06/04/18.**

The following represents a summary of the decisions taken by the Cabinet. It is not intended to represent the formal record of the meeting but to facilitate the call-in process. The formal minutes will be published in due course to replace this decision sheet.

County Members wishing to request a call-in on any of these matters, should contact the Senior Manager for Scrutiny or relevant Democratic Services Officer.

The Cabinet at its meeting on Tuesday, 27 March 2018 considered the following matters and resolved:

- **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** (Item 2)

The Minutes of the meeting held on 27 February 2018 were agreed.

- **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** (Item 3)

There were none.

- **PROCEDURAL MATTERS** (Item 4)

- **Members' Questions** (Item 4a)

There were three questions received from two Members. The questions and responses were published as a supplement to the agenda.

- **PUBLIC QUESTIONS** (Item 4b)

There were two questions received from members of the public. The questions and responses were published as a supplement to the agenda.

- **PETITIONS** (Item 4c)

There were no petitions.

- **REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED ON REPORTS TO BE CONSIDERED IN PRIVATE** (Item 4d)

There were none.

- **REPORTS FROM SCRUTINY BOARDS, TASK GROUPS, LOCAL COMMITTEES AND OTHER COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL** (Item 5)

A report was received from the Overview and Budget Scrutiny Committee relating to item 8 on the agenda. A response to this was published as a supplement to the agenda.

The Vice Chairman of the Overview and Budget Scrutiny Committee introduced the report that detailed the conclusions and recommendations of the Council's

Select Committees in relation to service plans and fees and charges produced as part of the 2018/19 budget planning process. He requested that a dialogue be set up for each of the Select Committee Chairmen with officers and Cabinet Members to look at each individual set of recommendations.

The Leader responded that Cabinet Members would look at the recommendations over the next month and would contact the Select Committee Chairmen to start that dialogue.

- **LEADER / DEPUTY LEADER / CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS/ INVESTMENT BOARD TAKEN SINCE THE LAST CABINET MEETING (Item 6)**

RESOLVED:

That the decision taken by the Cabinet Member for Highways under delegated authority be noted.

Reason for Decision:

To inform the Cabinet of decisions taken by the Leader / Cabinet Members under delegated authority.

- **APPROVAL TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR PROVISION OF A HOME BASED CARE SERVICE IN EXTRA CARE SCHEME AT BROCKHILL SHELTERED HOUSING SCHEME (Item 7)**

RESOLVED:

1. That the award of the contract for the provision of Extra Care support at Brockhill Sheltered Housing Scheme (Home Based Care services in an Extra Care setting) to A2 Dominion Housing Group Limited, starting from 1 June 2018 for a period of three years with an option to extend on an annual basis for two periods of up to two years for each period be approved.
2. That authority be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and the Strategic Director for Adult Social Care and Public Health, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, for the approval of the award of contracts at Mitchison Court and Beechwood Court.

Reasons for decisions:

The contract awards will support the Accommodation with Care and Support Strategy in Surrey. They will deliver services to residents who are eligible for accommodation in Extra Care schemes, thereby retaining their independence in the community while offering flexible and responsive care and support arrangements to meet their needs, enhance quality of life and improve outcomes.

A summary of the current expiry dates for the existing operational Extra Care schemes and new contract start dates are as follows:

- Brockhill Sheltered Housing Scheme (Woking) contract expires on the 31 May 2018. The new contract will commence on the 1 June 2018.
- Mitchison Court Scheme (Spelthorne) contract expires on the 2 September 2018. The new contract will commence on the 3 September

2018.

- Beechwood Court Scheme (Spelthorne) contract expires on the 2 September 2018. The new contract will commence on 3 September 2018.

All tenders have been conducted under the Light Touch Regime in compliance with the requirement of Public Contract Regulations and Procurement Standing Orders and very similar approaches, evaluation methodologies and commissioning models have been applied to each scheme.

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

- **MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2018 - 2021** (Item 8)

RESOLVED:

That the following be approved:

1. £21.3m use of reserves in 2018/19, reduced from £23.6m due to receipt of additional funding announced in the Final Settlement on 7 February 2018 (paragraph 16 of the submitted report).
2. Changes to the capital programme as outlined in paragraphs 28 and 29 of the submitted report, including £5m increase in 2018/19 for highways as a result of recent severe weather, funded by use of capital receipts. This brought the three year capital programme to £322m, with £144m in 2018/19.
3. A savings programme over the three years of MTFP 2018-21 to build the council's financial resilience (paragraph 17 of the submitted report).
4. The 2018/19 service strategies (Annex 1 of the submitted report).
5. The detailed service revenue and capital budgets for the year 2018/19 and indicative budgets for the years 2019-21 including amendments resulting from the Final Local Government Financial Settlement and other Government funding changes announced since 7 February 2018 (Annex 1 of the submitted report).
6. The council's proactive and systematic engagement in: responding to proposed changes in local government funding to ensure these changes do not further disadvantage Surrey and seeking appropriate recognition by the Government of the costs of delivering services in Surrey.
7. Publication of the service revenue and capital budgets as the Medium Term Financial Plan 2018-21 (MTFP 2018-21).
8. Decisions related to the Early Years single funding formula (paragraphs 50 and 51 of the submitted report):
 - the local authority retained £3.4m of the Early Years Dedicated Schools Grant to manage the sector, support providers and secure the supply of places;
 - the SEN Inclusion Fund to provide additional funding to providers for 3-4 year olds with special educational needs was set at £1.4m (£1.2m in 2017/18)

- fund individual Early Years providers at rates which were commensurate with the levels of funding in the Early Years DSG:
 - £4.60 / hour for three and four year olds (£4.51 in 2017/18);
 - £5.88 / hour for two year olds (unchanged); and
 - £2.77 / hour additional deprivation funding based on eligibility for the early years pupil premium on economic grounds.

That the following be noted:

9. The Director of Finance's letter to the Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government confirming the council will spend the Adult Social Care Precept entirely on adult social care functions (Annex 2 of the submitted report);
10. Fees & charges approved under delegated powers (Annex 3 of the submitted report).
11. Equality Impact Assessments of the savings proposals within directorate and service budgets (Annex 4 of the submitted report).

Reasons for decisions:

The council has a legal duty to prepare a balanced and sustainable budget and to deliver statutory services to residents.

The Medium Term Financial Plan 2018-21 (MTFP 2018-21) is a three year budget that reflects assumptions about the current local and national financial, economic and political environment. Setting a three year budget is a key element of the council's multi-year approach to financial management and its aim of achieving a sustainable financial position. Regular reporting through the year will enable effective tracking and management of progress with the strategy and the budget.

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

• **MONTHLY BUDGET MONITORING REPORT** (Item 9)

RESOLVED:

That the following be noted:

1. Forecast revenue budget outturn for 2017/18 is less than £4m overspend (Annex 1, paragraphs 1 and 7 to 45 of the submitted report). This includes:
 - £9m savings to be identified,
 - £16m net savings considered unachievable in 2017/18,
 - £14m service demand and cost pressures
 - less
 - £35m net underspends, additional savings and income.
2. Forecast planned savings for 2017/18 total £79m against £95m agreed savings and £104m target (Annex 1, paragraph 47 of the submitted report).
3. All services continue to take all appropriate action to keep costs down and optimise income (e.g. minimising spending, managing vacancies wherever possible etc.).
4. The Section 151 Officer's commentary and the Monitoring Officer's Legal Implications commentary in paragraphs 16 to 20 of the submitted report

state that the council had a duty to ensure its expenditure did not exceed resources available and move towards a sustainable budget for future years.

That the following be approved:

5. Reprofile £8.0m previously reported as capital underspend in Place Development & Waste due to changes within the Local Growth Deal programme of road and transport improvement schemes funded primarily from grant, developer monies and partner contributions (Annex 1, paragraph 63 of the submitted report) as reflected in MTFP 2018-21.

Reasons for decisions:

This report is presented to comply with the agreed policy of providing a monthly budget monitoring report to Cabinet for approval and action as necessary.

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

- **PROVISION OF A HOME BASED CARE SERVICE IN EXTRA CARE SCHEME AT BROCKHILL SHELTERED HOUSING SCHEME - CONTRACT AWARD**
(Item 11)

RESOLVED:

See Minute 283/18

Reason for decisions:

See Minute 283/18

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- **PUBLICITY FOR PART 2 ITEMS** (Item 12)

It was agreed that non-exempt information may be made available to the press and public, where appropriate.

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