

CABINET DECISION RECORD

The following decisions were taken by the Cabinet on Tuesday, 31 October 2023 and will take effect on 09/11/2023 unless the call-in procedure has been triggered.

CALL-IN DEADLINE: 08/11/2023.

The following represents a summary of the decisions taken by the Cabinet. It is intended to represent the formal record of the decisions taken and to facilitate the call-in process. The minutes will be published in due course to site alongside this decision sheet.

Members wishing to request a call-in on any of these matters, should contact the Regulatory Business Manager or relevant Committee Manager.

The Cabinet at its meeting on Tuesday, 31 October 2023 considered the following matters and resolved:

- **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** (Item 1)
Apologies were received from Natalie Bramhall.
Paul Deach joined the meeting virtually.
- **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: 26 SEPTEMBER 2023** (Item 2)
These were agreed as a correct record of the meeting.
- **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** (Item 3)
There were none.
- **PROCEDURAL MATTERS** (Item 4)
Members' Questions (Item 4a)
There were none.
- **PUBLIC QUESTIONS** (Item 4b)
There were two public questions. The questions and responses were published in a supplement to the agenda.
- **PETITIONS** (Item 4c)
There were none.
- **REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED ON REPORTS TO BE CONSIDERED IN PRIVATE** (Item 4d)
There were none.
- **REPORTS FROM SELECT COMMITTEES , TASK GROUPS, LOCAL COMMITTEES AND OTHER COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL** (Item 5)
There were none.

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

RESOLVED:

That the decisions taken since the last Cabinet meeting be noted.

- **CABINET MEMBER OF THE MONTH (Item 7)**

RESOLVED:

That the Cabinet Member of the Month update be noted.

- **SURREY CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION AND RESILIENCE STRATEGY (Item 8)**

RESOLVED:

1. That Cabinet approve the Surrey Climate Change Adaptation and Resilience Strategy.

Reasons for Decisions:

The impacts of climate change are already being felt across Surrey and will worsen in the coming years. The Surrey Climate Change Adaptation and Resilience Strategy "Surrey Adapt" sets out Surrey's collective approach to avoiding, reducing and adapting to these increasing risks. This includes planning for and adapting to: floods; droughts and water insecurity; heatwaves and prolonged changes in temperature extremes; wildfires; and other potential knock-on impacts of climate change on human health, disease burden, impacts on infrastructure and the natural environment.

(The decisions on this item can be called-in by the Communities, Environment and Highways Select Committee)

- **LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP (LEP) INTEGRATION (Item 9)**

RESOLVED:

1. That Cabinet welcome the announcement from government regarding the transition of LEP responsibilities; that will provide a single economic vision and enable the Surrey-wide provision of business support and economic growth activities and services.
2. That Cabinet approve the adoption and application of the proposed principles that will guide the council's approach to the integration of LEP functions, as set out in paragraph 12.
3. That Cabinet approve the approach outlined for the LEP integration process and engagement with key partners and stakeholders.
4. That Cabinet delegate authority to the Executive Director responsible for Economic Growth to lead the negotiation and integration process, in consultation with the Lead Cabinet Member.

5. That Cabinet receive a further report on the integration of LEP functions before 1 April 2024.

Reasons for Decisions:

To bring the significant strategic decision of the government and its consequent implications and opportunities to the attention of Cabinet and to ensure a smooth and effective approach to the transfer and integration of LEP functions for Surrey into the County Council.

(The decisions on this item can be called-in by the Communities, Environment and Highways Select Committee)

- **CONVERGENT SCREEN TECHNOLOGIES AND PERFORMANCE IN REALTIME (COSTAR): DRIVING INNOVATION AND CREATIVITY IN THE UK'S SCREEN AND PERFORMANCE INDUSTRIES - CAPITAL FUNDING APPROVAL** (Item 10)

RESOLVED:

1. That Cabinet note the significant economic and social benefits of the CoSTAR Satellite Studio and Incubator Space as set out in the report, achieved through the County Council's proposed capital contribution,
2. That Cabinet approve the transfer of £3.3m from the CoSTAR pipeline to capital budget for a £3m contribution to the construction of the CoSTAR Satellite Studio and Incubator Space and a SCC held contingency of £0.3m.

Reasons for Decisions:

The CoSTAR Satellite Studio and Incubator Space proposed to be co-funded by the County Council will directly contribute to achieving the Council's strategic priority of *Growing a Sustainable Economy from which everyone can benefit* through the economic outcomes it will deliver for Surrey. These include: c300 jobs created over 6 years with a 10-year NPV net GVA contribution of £29.6m (including construction jobs) to Surrey's economy; 200 businesses assisted including incorporating 10 new start-ups; 10 relocating businesses and 180 businesses supported through the CoSTAR programme. These outcomes have been agreed with Royal Holloway University of London (RHUL) and will be monitored through a benefits realisation project management process (see Risk Management Section below).

Other social and non-financial benefits arising from CoSTAR include practical application of immersive technologies in service provision that will enable wider participation, especially for hard-to-reach groups, which aligns with the Council's underlying principle of *No One Left Behind*. For example, the potential to expand the libraries' service ongoing work to bring Virtual Reality into Surrey's libraries from Autumn 2023. CoSTAR will also contribute to Surrey's Skills Plan objectives, for example, enabling collaboration between skills providers, businesses, and anchor institutions and leveraging createch skills development through the Local Skills Improvement Fund and Skills Bootcamp funding opportunities.

(The decisions on this item can be called-in by the Communities, Environment and Highways Select Committee)

- **2023/24 MONTH 5 (AUGUST) FINANCIAL REPORT** (Item 11)

RESOLVED:

1. That Cabinet notes the Council’s forecast revenue and capital budget positions for the year, including the application of the full contingency budget.
2. That Cabinet approves the funding of £9.2m additional investments from earmarked reserves.
3. That Cabinet approves the use of the Council’s allocation of the new Adult Social Care Market Sustainability and Improvement Fund – Workforce Fund as set out in paragraphs 12-15.
4. That Cabinet approves the re-set of the capital programme budget.

Reasons for Decisions:

This report is to comply with the agreed policy of providing a monthly budget monitoring report to Cabinet for approval of any necessary actions.

(The decisions on this item can be called-in by the Resources and Performance Select Committee)

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