

CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS**April 2017****CABINET MEMBER FOR HIGHWAYS, TRANSPORT AND FLOODING****(I) GODALMING FLOOD ALLEVIATION SCHEME****Details of decision:**

It was agreed that the Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and the Flooding approves a contribution of £350,000 towards construction of the Godalming Flood Alleviation Scheme.

Reasons for decision:

SCC are designated Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA) under the Flood and Water Management Act (2010). As part of this role the Council works with other Risk Management Authorities to develop and deliver flood alleviation schemes.

A number of properties in Godalming have been subject to internal property flooding and local infrastructure has been significantly damaged in recent flood events. SCC's contribution to the Godalming Flood Alleviation Scheme (FAS) will enable the scheme to be taken forward and when constructed, will significantly reduce flood risk to the local area.

Investing in flood and maintenance schemes is a key action under the Resident Experience goal of SCC's corporate strategy. Contributing to the Godalming Flood Alleviation Scheme demonstrates the Council's commitment to this goal.

(Decision taken by the Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Flooding – 11 April 2017)

CABINET MEMBER FOR BUSINESS SERVICES AND RESIDENT EXPERIENCE**(II) ASHFORD PARK SCHOOL ASHFORD, LOSELEY FIELDS SCHOOL GODALMING, OAKFIELD SCHOOL FETCHAM - PROPOSAL FOR SPECIALIST LEARNING AND ADDITIONAL NEEDS CENTRES REFRESH****Details of decision:**

It was agreed that, following consultation of the financial details outlined in the part 2 report, the Cabinet Member:

- I. Approves the Business Case for improving the facilities at Ashford Park, Loseley Fields and Oakfield schools in order that the centres are better able to meet the needs of pupils with a greater level of need.
- II. Approves the arrangements by which a variation of up to 10% of the total value may be agreed by the Deputy Chief Executive and Strategic Director for Children, School and Families in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Schools, Skills and Educational Achievement, the Cabinet Member for Business Services and Residential Experience and the Leader of the Council.

Reasons for decision:

This proposal will provide enhanced specialist provision attached to mainstream schools for pupils with Statements of Special Educational Needs/Education Health Care Plans to meet a wider range of pupil needs. It will be a more efficient and effective use of existing specialist resources.

(Decision taken by the Cabinet Member for Business Services and Resident Experience – 11 April 2017)

(III) SPRINGFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL, SUNBURY ON THAMES**Details of decision:**

It was agreed that, subject to the agreement of the detailed financial information for the expansion as set out in agenda item 7 in Part 2 of this agenda, the business case for the provision of an additional 90 R-Year 2 places in the Sunbury primary school planning area be approved.

Reasons for decision:

The proposal supports the Authority's statutory obligation to provide sufficient school places to meet the needs of the population in Spelthorne Borough.

(Decision taken by the Cabinet Member for Business Services and Resident Experience – 11 April 2017)

CABINET MEMBER FOR SCHOOLS, SKILLS AND EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT**(IV) TULK TRUST FOR SCHOOL SPORTS FACILITIES****Details of decision**

It was agreed that the Cabinet Member for Schools, Skills and Educational Achievement approves the distribution of the accumulated income from the Tulk Trust as set out in point 6 of this paper.

Reasons for decision

To distribute the accumulated Trusts of the Tulk Trust in accordance with Surrey County Council's Cabinet's responsibilities as trustee.

(Decision taken by the Cabinet Member for Schools, Skills and Educational Achievement – 11 April 2017)

CABINET MEMBER FOR LOCALITIES AND COMMUNITY WELLBEING

(V) COMMUNITY BUILDING GRANTS SCHEME 2017-22

Details of decision

The Cabinet Member for Localities and Community Wellbeing:

1. reviewed all of the applications highlighting the ones that have been approved and the value of grants awarded up to a total value of £150,000 as detailed in Appendix 1 attached to this decision sheet;
2. produced a supplementary list of provisional grant awards to the value of £18,163 which will be subject to further separate approval of additional funding as detailed in Appendix 2 attached to this decision sheet. The remaining £1798.82 will be retained for spending on projects in year subject to approval from the Cabinet;
3. provided clear reasons why unsuccessful applicants were not granted funding. These are recorded in Appendix 1 of the decision sheet;
4. gave direction to the Community Building Advisor on the next steps where a clear decision was not reached.

Reasons for decision

This is a tripartite grant scheme and grants are awarded for refurbishment and renovation of community buildings to widen access for community use. Any grant Surrey County Council awards requires match funding from the Borough or District Council in which the community building is located and from the applicant organisation themselves. The scheme is administered and managed on behalf of the County Council and Borough and District Councils by Surrey Community Action.

The Council has allocated £150,000 to the Community Building Grant Scheme for 2017/18. Separate approval will be sought to use the underspend from 2016/17 to increase this by £19,961.82

This year the scheme will generate in excess of £5 million in capital funding for the County to renovate community buildings which sit at the heart of vibrant and active communities. By providing this funding there are huge benefits for the residents of Surrey in terms of community cohesion, addressing social isolation and improving the health and wellbeing of the communities.

(Decision taken by the Cabinet Member for Localities and Community Wellbeing – 18 April 2017)

LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

**(VI) AMALGAMTION OF CHART WOOD SCHOOL WITH STARHURST SCHOOL,
THROUGH THE CLOSURE OF STARHURST SCHOOL**

Details of decision

This item was deferred to the Leader Decisions meeting on 31 May 2017.

Reasons for decision

The Leader has requested additional information from officers in order to make this decision at the next meeting.

(Decision taken by the Leader of the Council – 21 April 2017)

CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES WELLBEING

(VII) PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Details of decision

Five questions were received from members of the public. The questions and responses are attached as Appendix 3.

Reasons for decision

To respond to the questions asked by members of the public.

(Decision taken by the Cabinet Member for Children and Families Wellbeing – 21 April 2017)

**(VIII) PROPOSAL FOR PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT ON OUTCOME OF SHORT
BREAKS PROCUREMENT PROCESS**

Details of decision

The Cabinet Member agreed to:

1. note the update on re-commissioning short breaks and the revised offer;
2. endorse a period of public engagement in relation to the impact of proposed changes to short breaks services for disabled children and young people in Surrey, beginning on 8 May 2017 and running until 16 June 2017; and
3. agree that final proposals in relation to short breaks innovation grants will be reviewed with the Cabinet Member for Children and Families Wellbeing for feedback prior to the start of the public engagement process.

Reasons for decision

The proposal to seek the views of children, young people and families through a period of engagement will:

1. allow the children, young people and families who are directly affected by the specific proposed changes to short breaks following the procurement process to provide feedback on the impact of the proposed offer. This will help us identify and plan to mitigate, as far as possible, any perceived negative impacts of the changes on those using services; and
2. support the Cabinet to make a fully informed final decision about the re-commissioned short breaks offer, taking account of the views of children, young people and families on the specific changes to services identified through the procurement process.

(Decision taken by the Cabinet Member for Children and Families Wellbeing – 21 April 2017)

APPENDIX 1

	LOCAL AUTHORITY AREA	Surrey Community Buildings –Tri-Partite	Total Application Amount	Amount applied from SCC	Amount applied from LA	APPROVED BY SCC	CONDITONS AND FURTHER INFORMATION	APPROVED BY LA	TRIPARTITE SCORE
1	TANDRIDGE DISTRICT COUNCIL	Lingfield and Dormansland Community Centre	£13,200	£4,400	£4,400	£4,400	That evidence of the balance of funding is provided in writing prior to any payment of the grant.	£4,400	67/100
2	TANDRIDGE DISTRICT COUNCIL	Lloyd Hall, Outwood	£12,000	£3,000	£3,000	£3,000	That evidence of the balance of funding is provided in writing prior to any payment of the grant.	£3,000	70/100
3	MOLE VALLEY DISTRICT COUNCIL	Wotton Village Hall	£4,200	£1,400	£1,400	£1,400	1. That evidence of the balance of funding is provided in writing prior to any payment of the grant. 2. The Village Hall registers as a Charity as their income exceeds the £5,000 threshold and evidence of this is seen before the grant is released. 3. Help is given to market the hall and increase inclusion rates for the community.	£1,400	77.5/100
4	MOLE VALLEY DISTRICT COUNCIL	St Margaret's Church Ockley	£560,400	£40,000	£40,000	£10,000	1. Full funding of £12,000 (additional £2,000) will be awarded to this project subject to the condition that the under spend of the Community Buildings Grant Scheme 15/16 can be carried forward to the Community Buildings Grant Scheme 16/17. Please see Annex 2 for details. 2. That evidence of the balance of funding is provided in writing prior to any payment of the grant.	£12,000	68.5/100
5	MOLE VALLEY DISTRICT COUNCIL	Oakwood Hill Village Hall	£13,700	£4,567	£4,567	£0	1. Full funding of £4,567 will be awarded to this project subject to the condition that the under spend of the Community Buildings Grant Scheme 15/16 can be carried forward to the Community Buildings Grant Scheme 16/17. Please see Annex 2 for details.	£4,567	59/100
7	MOLE VALLEY DISTRICT COUNCIL	Chart Down Community Centre	£60,000	£20,000	£20,000	£20,000	Subject to conditions that have been discussed with the applicant	£20,000	47/100
8	WOKING BOROUGH COUNCIL	St. Mary's Church	£35,308	£11,796	£11,796	£11,700	1. Full funding of £11,796 (additional £96) will be awarded to this project subject to the condition that the under spend of the Community Buildings Grant Scheme 15/16 can be carried forward to the Community Buildings Grant	£11,796	76.5/100

							2. Scheme 16/17. Please see Annex 2 for details. That evidence of the balance of funding is provided in writing prior to any payment of the grant.		
9	ELMBRIDGE BOROUGH COUNCIL	Sea Cadets Sunbury and Walton	£452,000	£40,000	£40,000	£34,250	1. Full funding of £40,000 (additional £5,750) will be awarded to this project subject to the condition that the under spend of the Community Buildings Grant Scheme 15/16 can be carried forward to the Community Buildings Grant Scheme 16/17. Please see Annex 2 for details. 2. That evidence of the balance of the funding is provided in writing prior to any payment of the grant.	£40,000	81.25/100
10	ELMBRIDGE BOROUGH COUNCIL	All Saints Weston Green	£143,527.60	£40,000	£40,000	£34,250	1. Full funding of £40,000 (additional £5,750) will be awarded to this project subject to the condition that the under spend of the Community Buildings Grant Scheme 15/16 can be carried forward to the Community Buildings Grant Scheme 16/17. Please see Annex 2 for details. 2. That evidence of the balance of the funding is provided in writing prior to any payment of the grant.	£40,000	73.25/100
11	SURREY HEATH BOROUGH COUNCIL	All Saints Church, Lightwater	£74,071	£24,071	£24,071	£15,000	That evidence of the balance of the funding is provided in writing prior to any payment of the grant.	£15,000	74.5/100
12	SURREY HEATH BOROUGH COUNCIL	West End Bowls Club	£217,000	£36,000	£36,000	Not approved	Match funding not approved by Surrey Heath Borough Council	UNLIKELY TO GET APPROVAL	27.75/100
13	RUNNYMEDE BOROUGH COUNCIL	Penton Community and Social Club Limited	£22,000	£6,000	£6,000	£6,000	1. That evidence of the balance of the funding is provided in writing prior to any payment of the grant. 2. That the community centre regularises the constitution and roles of Trustees and Company Directors at its next AGM and understand the governance of the Charity and Trading Arm clearly.	£6,000	67/100
14	REIGATE AND BANSTEAD BOROUGH COUNCIL	Strawson Community Hall	£286,000	£18,000	£18,000	Not approved	Match funding not approved by Reigate and Banstead Borough Council	NOT APPROVED	68/100
15	REIGATE AND BANSTEAD BOROUGH COUNCIL	YMCA-EAST	£1,314,197	£20,000	£20,000	Not approved	Due to a limited pool of funding the Cabinet Member felt that of all the applicants YMCA was in the best position to generate its own capital funding for the project.	£10,000	82/100

16	REIGATE AND BANSTEAD BOROUGH COUNCIL	St Johns, Redhill	£1,645,000	£15,000	£15,000	£10,000	That evidence of the balance of funding is provided in writing prior to any payment of the grant.	£10,000	71/100
	OVERALL TOTAL		£4,852,603.60	£322,858	£322,858	£150,000		£178,163	

APPENDIX 2

Funding awarded subject to the condition that the under spend of the Community Buildings Grant Scheme 15/16 be approved to be carried forward to the Community Buildings Grant Scheme 16/17.

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1	MOLE VALLEY DISTRICT COUNCIL	St Margaret's Church Ockley	£560,400	£40,000	£40,000	£2,000	That evidence of the balance of funding is provided in writing prior to any payment of the grant.	£12,000	68.5/100
2	MOLE VALLEY DISTRICT COUNCIL	Oakwood Hill Village Hall	£13,700	£4,567	£4,567	£4,567	1. Extra site visits are carried out to ensure that work is carried out to the specification in the application to ensure that previous non-delivery is not repeated. 2. That Oakwood Hill get a copy of their lease from the Diocese. 3. Oakwood Hill register as charity as they are over the threshold on income and expenditure. 4. That evidence of the balance of funding is provided in writing prior to any payment of the grant.	£4,567	59/100
3	WOKING BOROUGH COUNCIL	St. Mary's Church	£35,308	£11,796	£11,796	£96	That evidence of the balance of funding is provided in writing prior to any payment of the grant.	£11,796	76.5/100
4	ELMBRIDGE BOROUGH COUNCIL	Sea Cadets Sunbury and Walton	£452,000	£40,000	£40,000	£5,750	That evidence of the balance of the funding is provided in writing prior to any payment of the grant.	£40,000	81.25/100
5	ELMBRIDGE BOROUGH COUNCIL	All Saints Weston Green	£143,527.60	£40,000	£40,000	£5,750	That evidence of the balance of the funding is provided in writing prior to any payment of the grant.	£40,000	73.25/100
	OVERALL TOTAL		£1,169,627.60	£124,567	£124,567	£18,163		£124,567	

CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES WELLBEING DECISIONS**21 APRIL 2017****PROCEDURAL MATTERS****Public Questions****Question (1) Andrea Collings**

Please could you explain why cabinet proposes to recommend only a 6 week period of engagement and not a 3 month consultation period as previously planned, given that the changes to provision resulting from the Short Breaks re-procurement process are likely to have a significant impact on people with protected characteristics, namely children and young people with disabilities and their parent carers?

Reply:

On 22 November 2016, Cabinet approved the recommendation to extend the deadline for re-commissioning short breaks in Surrey to 1 December 2017, from the previously agreed deadline of 4 September 2017. A key reason for this was to allow for a six-week public consultation with children, young people and families directly affected by the specific changes to short breaks recommended by the planned procurement process. There is no change in length of engagement in this paper from the previous Cabinet decision. This proposed six-week engagement period builds on extensive previous co-design and engagement with families that has been undertaken during the re-commissioning process to date. In light of this, six weeks engagement is felt to be proportionate, striking the right balance between length of time to engage whilst not prolonging uncertainty for families and service providers. The Council has really valued the supportive approach Family Voice Surrey has taken to working with us to engage with families during this project.

Mrs Clare Curran
Cabinet Member for Children and Families Wellbeing
21 April 2017

Question (2) Andrea Collings

Why did cabinet members decide against the recommendation put forward by the parent carer forum, Family Voice Surrey, to openly acknowledge the likely negative impact of a reduced overnight specialist service for families living in the east of the county?

Reply:

The core purpose of this paper is to provide a public update on progress of the short breaks re-commissioning project and seek Cabinet Member endorsement of the six-week engagement period. The purpose of this six-week engagement is to listen to children, young people, families and partners to help us identify and plan to mitigate, as far as possible, any negative impacts of the changes on those using services. This engagement will underpin the completion of an Equality Impact Assessment in relation to the changes that will identify any particular impacts and propose mitigation in response.

We do acknowledge that the closure of the service in Reigate, as the result of the current provider's decision not to bid to continue to provide services, will have an impact on families in Reigate. We are committed, however, to working with families affected to find alternative options. Alongside the proposed block contracts and Surrey County Council run services, including Applewood in Reigate and Banstead, we will explore ways to mitigate the impact as responses are received to the engagement and through ongoing discussions between social workers and families.

Mrs Clare Curran
Cabinet Member for Children and Families Wellbeing
21 April 2017

Question (3) Andrea Collings

Will the minutes of the agenda setting meeting, where these decisions were made, be made public?

Reply:

No, the Cabinet Agenda Planning Meeting is not a formal meeting and is not minuted. The Cabinet is due to make a final decision about the proposed changes, informed by the engagement period, at its meeting on 18 July and the minutes of this meeting will be published on Surrey County Council's website as is usual practice.

Mrs Clare Curran
Cabinet Member for Children and Families Wellbeing
21 April 2017

Question (4) Andrea Collings

Why were those families directly affected by the proposed closure of the service at Beeches not contacted personally by the council to ensure they were made aware of the opportunity to question the scope of the proposed consultation?

Reply:

A wide range of families will be affected in different ways by the proposed changes to services. The purpose of the six-week engagement process is to allow families who are affected to

provide feedback on the impact of the proposed offer and plan to mitigate, as far as possible, any negative impacts.

Mrs Clare Curran
Cabinet Member for Children and Families Wellbeing
21 April 2017

Question (5) Andrea Collings

What impact, if any, will the period of purdah leading up to local and national elections have on communication and engagement with families affected by proposed changes to Short Breaks provision?

Reply:

There is no impact on the proposed engagement period of the timing of the purdah periods for the planned local and national elections. The engagement period will begin after the local election has taken place (4 May 2017) and it is planned that the final decision about award of contracts and grants to provide short breaks in the future will be made at Cabinet on 18 July 2017, following the general election on 8 June 2017.

Mrs Clare Curran
Cabinet Member for Children and Families Wellbeing
21 April 2017