

London Borough of Islington

Executive - 29 September 2016

Minutes of the meeting of the Executive held at Committee Room 4, Town Hall, Upper Street, N1 2UD on 29 September 2016 at 7.00 pm.

Present: **Councillors:** Watts, Burgess, Comer-Schwartz, Hull, Ward and Webbe

Councillor Richard Watts in the Chair

302 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Calouri and Shaikh.

303 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

304 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

That the Minutes of the meeting on 21 July 2016 be confirmed as a correct record and the Chair be authorised to sign them.

305 FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 JULY 2016

RESOLVED:

- 1.1. That the overall forecast revenue outturn for the General Fund (**Table 1** and **Appendix 1** of the report) of a gross overspend of £3.7m, including corporate items, and a net overspend of £0.7m after a £3.0m drawdown from the contingency reserve (**Section 3** of the report) be noted.
- 1.2. That the actions needed to reduce the underlying forecast net General Fund overspend (**Paragraph 3.2** of the report) be noted.
- 1.3. That the HRA is forecast to break-even (**Section 5, Table 1** and **Appendix 1** of the report) be noted.
- 1.4. That the latest capital position with forecast capital expenditure of £115.9m in 2016-17 be noted, and the re-profiling between financial years be agreed (**Paragraphs 6.1 to 6.5, Table 2** and **Appendix 2** of the report).
- 1.5. That the additional schemes in (**Paragraphs 6.6.1 to 6.6.4** of the report) are funded within the 2016-17 capital programme by way of a drawdown from the

earmarked capital reserve at the end of the financial year be agreed.

- 1.6. That the transfer of balances to the Invest to Save reserve from other earmarked reserves (**Paragraph 6.7** and **Table 3** of the report) and the drawdown of £7.830m from the Invest to Save reserve to the Finance and Resources revenue budget for forecast Digital Services transformation (one-off) costs in 2016-17 (**Paragraph 6.8** of the report) be agreed.
- 1.7. That the transfer of £3.0m from the housing benefit reserve to the redundancy reserve (**Paragraph 6.9 of the report**) be agreed.

Reasons for decision – to allow the Executive to monitor the budget.

Other options considered – none other than specified in the report.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

306 **ALTERNATIVE PROVISION SCRUTINY - RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CHILDREN'S SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

The Chair noted the Executive's thanks to the Scrutiny Committee.

RESOLVED:

1. That the report of the Children's Services Scrutiny Committee be received.
- 1.2 That the Executive Member's response be reported to a future meeting of the Executive, including having due regard to any relevant implications of the Children's Services Scrutiny Committee's recommendations.

Reasons for decision – to allow the Executive to respond to the Scrutiny Committees' recommendations.

Other options considered – none other than as specified in the report.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

307 **RESPONSIVE REPAIRS SCRUTINY - RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HOUSING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

The Chair noted the Executive's thanks to the Scrutiny Committee.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 That the report of the Housing Scrutiny Committee be received.
- 1.2 That the Executive Member's response be reported to a future meeting of the Executive, including having due regard to any relevant implications of the Housing Scrutiny Committee's recommendations.

Reasons for decision – to allow the Executive to respond to the Scrutiny Committee's recommendations.

Other options considered – none other than as specified in the report.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

308 **COMMUNITY ENERGY SCRUTINY REVIEW RECOMMENDATIONS - EXECUTIVE MEMBER'S RESPONSE**

RESOLVED:

That the actions being taken forward to address the recommendations of the Environment & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee on Community Energy be noted.

Reasons for decision – to respond to the recommendations of the Scrutiny Committee.

Other options considered – none other than as specified in the report.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

309 **ISLINGTON VCS PARTNERSHIP GRANTS PROGRAMME 2016-2020 - RETAINED FUNDING ALLOCATION**

RESOLVED:

1.1 That the recommendations set out in section 8 of this report, which seek to address the identified gaps in the portfolio of VCS organisations awarded grant funding in June 2016, be agreed.

1.2 That the allocation of funding of £131,428 per annum from the VCS budget, and a total of £460,000 between 1st October 2016 and 31st March 2020 which levers and additional £170,000 from other partners, as set in in section 8 of this report, be agreed.

Reasons for decision – to support the priorities and services outlined in “Towards a Fairer Islington: Voluntary & Community Sector Strategy 2016 - 2020”.

Other options considered – none other than specified in the report.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

310 **UPDATE ON COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL) ALLOCATION PROCESS AND INVESTMENT PRIORITIES**

RESOLVED:

1.1 That the proposed CIL allocation process as outlined in Appendix One of this report be agreed.

1.2 That the proposed re-distribution mechanism for ensuring that each ward has a minimum level of CIL funds to allocate each year, as illustrated in Appendix Two of this report, be agreed.

1.3 That strategic CIL funding will be integrated with the capital medium term financial strategy and budget setting process and formally allocated by Executive at the end of each financial year (as part of the Financial Outturn report) to projects on the CIL Regulation 123 Infrastructure List (Appendix Three) be agreed.

1.4 That adoption of the revised CIL Regulation 123 Infrastructure List following the public consultation that was carried out between 26 May and 23 June 2016

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(the final revised List is set out in Appendix Three of this report) be agreed.

- 1.5 That the proposed method for the allocation of carbon offsetting contributions set out in Sections 3.26 to 3.29 of the report, and the proposed allocations set out in Appendix Four of this report, be agreed.

Reasons for decision – to ensure the Council uses its resources in the most effective way.

Other options considered – none other than as specified in the report.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

311 **WASTE MINIMISATION AND RECYCLING ACTION PLAN 2016/17**

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 That the Waste Minimisation and Recycling Service Aims and Objectives for 2016/17 as set out in paragraph **Error! Reference source not found.** of the report, be agreed.
- 1.2 That the outcome of the recycling pilot carried out in Tollington (and neighbouring) Wards as set out in paragraph **Error! Reference source not found.** of the report be noted.
- 1.3 That the proposed changes to food and garden waste recycling collections would not deliver the level of savings originally anticipated be noted.
- 1.4 That implementation of the previously proposed changes to food and garden waste recycling collections will not proceed, as other ways of achieving the savings have been identified, including re-phasing the delivery of savings across the department and from optimising refuse and recycling rounds.
- 1.5 That implementation of optimised refuse and recycling collection rounds for properties with door to door collections based on a village principle (area based teams) be agreed.
- 1.6 That changes to the estate door to door recycling service have been completed be noted.

Reasons for decision – to enable the service to become more efficient and to deliver its MTFS savings targets

Other options considered – none other than as specified in the report.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

312 **PROCUREMENT STRATEGY FOR TUFNELL PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL REDEVELOPMENT**

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 That the procurement strategy for redevelopment of Tufnell Park Primary School as outlined in this report be agreed.
- 1.2 That the procurement of a design and build contractor to undertake pre-construction contract duties using the Southern Construction Framework

(SCF), Lot 3 London Construction Projects £5m plus, be agreed, and to undertake a mini competition pursuant to that framework be agreed.

- 1.3 That authority be delegated to the Corporate Director of Children's Services in consultation with the Corporate Directors of Finance and Assistant Chief Executive (Governance and HR) to enter into a Pre-Construction Agreement with the selected design and build contractor be agreed.
- 1.4 That the contract award of the Design and Build Contract for the works will be subject to separate Executive approval be agreed.
- 1.5 That the proposed school development will provide capacity for three forms of entry and facilities for 2 year olds and that it would help to meet the projected need for places in the borough and help to satisfy the Authority's obligation to provide sufficient school places, be noted.

Reasons for decision – to significantly enhance Tufnell Park Primary School and provide necessary school places in that part of Islington.

Other options considered – none other than as specified in the report.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

313 PROCUREMENT STRATEGY - BLOCK CONTRACTS FOR DOMICILIARY CARE SERVICES

RESOLVED:

That the procurement strategy for a block contract for domiciliary care services as outlined in the report be agreed.

Reasons for decision – to maintain safety, quality and continuous improvement in the provision of domiciliary care services for the borough.

Other options considered – none other than as specified in the report

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

314 PROCUREMENT STRATEGY - LEARNING DISABILITIES SUPPORTED LIVING SPOT PURCHASE FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 That the procurement strategy for the Council to join the Learning Disabilities Supported Living Spot Purchase Framework be agreed.
- 1.2 That authority to award any subsequent contract award for call-off from the framework be delegated to the Corporate Director for Housing and Adult Social Services be agreed.

Reasons for decision – to meet the increasing need in the borough for supported living accommodation for people with a learning disability

Other options considered – none other than as specified in the report.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

315 **PROCUREMENT STRATEGY FOR TUFNELL PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL
REDEVELOPMENT - EXEMPT APPENDICES**

That the information in the exempt appendix to Agenda item E11 be noted (see Minute 312 for decision).

MEETING CLOSED AT 7.15 pm

CHAIR