

SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS DECISION RECORD

The following decisions were taken on Wednesday 19 July 2017 by the Cabinet.

Date notified to all members: Friday 21 July 2017

The end of the call-in period is 4:00 pm on Thursday 27 July 2017

The decision can be implemented from Friday 28 July 2017

Item No

8. MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

8.1 The Executive Director, Resources submitted a report providing Members with details of the forecast financial position of the Council for the next 5 years and recommending the approach to budgeting and business planning that will be necessary to achieve a balanced budget position over the medium term.

8.2 **RESOLVED:** That Cabinet:-

- (a) notes the forecast position for the next 5 years; and
- (b) agrees the approach to budgeting and business planning

8.3 Reasons for Decision

8.3.1 To provide a strategic framework for the development of budget proposals and the business planning process for 2018/19 and beyond.

8.4 Alternatives Considered and Rejected

8.4.1 A number of alternative courses of action are considered as part of the process undertaken by Officers before decisions are recommended to Members. The recommendations made to Members represent what Officers believed to be the best options available to the Council, in line with Council priorities, given the constraints on funding and the use to which funding is put within the Revenue Budget and Capital Programme.

8.5 Any Interest Declared or Dispensation Granted

None

8.6 Reason for Exemption if Public/Press Excluded During Consideration

None

8.7 Respective Director Responsible for Implementation

Eugene Walker, Executive Director, Resources

8.8 Relevant Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee If Decision Called In

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9. ADDITIONAL BUDGET FUNDING TO SPEND ON ADULT SOCIAL CARE SERVICES

9.1 The Executive Director, People Services submitted a report providing proposals for the expenditure of the additional Adult Social Care funding received by Sheffield City Council from national government between 2017-18 and 2019-20 and showing how these proposals meet national criteria and also accord with local priorities.

9.2 **RESOLVED:** That Cabinet:-

- (a) approves proposals for the expenditure of the additional Adult Social Care funding received by Sheffield City Council from national government between 2017-18 and 2019-20;
- (b) delegates authority to the Executive Director, People Services, in consultation with the Director of Adult Services and the Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care to commit funding in line with the proposals contained within the report; and
- (c) delegates authority to the Executive Director, People Services, in consultation with the Director of Adult Services and the Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care to take all other necessary steps not covered by existing delegations to achieve the outcomes outlined in the Report.

9.3 Reasons for Decision

9.3.1 The significant financial constraints on adult social care nationally mean this increased investment is welcome. There is a need to commit funding to sensible priorities as soon as possible, in particular to prepare for increased demand for adult social care over the coming winter.

9.4 Alternatives Considered and Rejected

9.4.1 The proposals set out try to achieve the best balance between the three purposes defined nationally and set out in paragraph 8.1.1 of the report.

9.4.2 A recent survey carried out by the Association of Directors of Adult Social Services (ADASS) indicates that two thirds of Councils were unable to allocate any resource to supporting the local NHS, including via reducing the numbers of people delayed in hospital. Sheffield could have adopted this position, and prioritised increasing investment in existing adult social care services instead. However this would have missed an opportunity to work in a collaborative way with local NHS colleagues

and also to collectively address issues within local NHS services that create poor outcomes for Sheffield citizens and themselves lead to higher adult social care costs.

9.5 Any Interest Declared or Dispensation Granted

None

9.6 Reason for Exemption if Public/Press Excluded During Consideration

None

9.7 Respective Director Responsible for Implementation

Jayne Ludlam, Executive Director, People Services

9.8 Relevant Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee If Decision Called In

Healthier Communities and Adult Social Care

10. MONTH 2 CAPITAL APPROVALS

10.1 The Executive Director, Resources submitted a report providing details of proposed changes to the Capital Programme as brought forward in Month 2, 2017/18.

10.2 **RESOLVED:** That Cabinet:-

- (a) approves the proposed additions and variations to the Capital Programme listed in Appendix 1 of the report, including the procurement strategies and delegate authority to the Interim Director of Finance and Commercial Services or nominated Officer, as appropriate, to award the necessary contracts; and
- (b) notes the variations authorised by Directors under the delegated authority provisions and Feasibility.

10.3 Reasons for Decision

10.3.1 The proposed changes to the Capital programme will improve the services to the people of Sheffield.

10.3.2 To formally record changes to the Capital Programme and gain Member approval for changes in line with Financial Regulations and to reset the capital programme in line with latest information.

10.3.3 Obtain the relevant delegations to allow projects to proceed.

10.4 Alternatives Considered and Rejected

10.4.1 A number of alternative courses of action are considered as part of the process undertaken by Officers before decisions are recommended to Members. The recommendations made to Members represent what Officers believe to be the best options available to the Council, in line with Council priorities, given the constraints on funding and the use to which funding is put within the Revenue Budget and the Capital Programme.

10.5 **Any Interest Declared or Dispensation Granted**

None

10.6 **Reason for Exemption if Public/Press Excluded During Consideration**

None

10.7 **Respective Director Responsible for Implementation**

Eugene Walker, Executive Director, Resources

10.8 **Relevant Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee If Decision Called In**

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