

SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

Strategy and Resources Policy Committee

Meeting held 19 December 2022

PRESENT: Councillors Terry Fox (Chair), Julie Grocutt (Deputy Chair), Angela Argenzio, Douglas Johnson (Group Spokesperson), Bryan Lodge, Shaffaq Mohammed (Group Spokesperson), Joe Otten, Martin Smith, Richard Williams and Paul Wood

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mick Rooney.

2. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

2.1 It was noted that the appendix to item 7 on the agenda is not available to the public or press because it contains exempt information. If Members wish to discuss the information in the appendices, the Committee will ask the members of the public and press to kindly leave for that part of the meeting and the webcast will be paused.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

3.1 Councillors Dougals Johnson and Terry Fox declared a personal interest in item 6 on the agenda (Primary Care Capital Programme - GP Hubs) on the grounds that they were patients at affected surgeries.

4. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS RELATING TO THE ISSUE TO BE DISCUSSED

5.1 There were no public questions or petitions.

5. PRIMARY CARE CAPITAL PROGRAMME - GP HUBS

5.1 The Committee received a report of the Director of Public Health updating the Committee on an NHS England funding bid for the development of a number of new health care facilities in the city and to set out how the Council can facilitate these developments in order to secure the investment.

It was confirmed that negotiations on the terms of the agreement were ongoing but that this would be on the basis of no financial risk to the Council. Members discussed the potential location of the centres and emphasised their wishes that the new buildings be built in an environmentally friendly way, on the basis of 'net zero'. The need for the centres to feed into the Council's own vision for the City and to link to Council services was emphasised. The investment into the City was welcomed however, members highlighted the need to have regard to the issue of

travel to the new centres by patients.

5.2 RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY: That Strategy and Resources Policy Committee:-

1. notes the work undertaken to develop the proposals for new health care facilities in the city;
2. approves, on the basis set out in this report, the Council being the Integrated Care Board's delivery partner for the health care facilities;
3. approves, on the basis set out in this report, the Council entering into an agreement with South Yorkshire Integrated Care Board (SYICB) to be their delivery partner for these capital schemes;
4. approves, on the basis set out in this report, the Council being Accountable Body for the funding from NHS England;
5. delegates authority to the Director of Finance and Commercial Services in consultation with the Chair of Strategy and Resources Policy Committee to take any further reserved grant aid decisions necessary to implement the proposals and achieve the outcomes set out in this report;
6. delegates authority to the Chief Property Officer in consultation with the Chair of Strategy and Resources Policy Committee to take any further reserved property decisions necessary to implement the proposals and achieve the outcomes set out in this report; and
7. notes that individual development proposals will progress via the Council's established capital approval process.

5.3 Reasons for Decision

- 5.3.1 The funding that is being made available presents an opportunity to improve facilities for local people that may not present itself again in the foreseeable future.
- 5.3.2 The proposals set out in this Report secure the funding for Sheffield and ensure that the buildings it funds remain in public ownership.
- 5.3.3 The proposals set out in this report support the delivery of the City's Health and Wellbeing Strategy – specifically with regard to ensuring the availability of appropriate and accessible health and care.

5.4 Alternatives Considered and Rejected

- 5.4.1 Do nothing and do not build the new health centres. However, this funding from Government is an opportunity to improve health care facilities for local people.
- 5.4.2 Other locations were considered but these were discounted either at feasibility stage or in consultation with GP practices.

6. BUDGET 2023/24 UPDATE AND DELIVERY OPTIONS

6.1 The Director of Finance and Commercial Services presented a report updating the Strategy & Resources Committee on the progress of the 2023/24 budget process. The appendix contains specific budget proposals that the Committee are asked to endorse

6.2 **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:** That Strategy and Resources Policy Committee:-

1. notes the update on the Council's 2023/24 budget position, as detailed in the report;

2. endorses the budget proposals set out in the Appendix and notes that the formal budget report be brought to the Strategy and Resources Committee on the 24th of January 2023; and

3. approves the commissioning strategy of external change capacity, as set out in Appendix 2.

6.3 **Reasons for Decision**

6.3.1 The Council is required by law to set a balanced budget each year. This report is pursuant to that objective and is in line with the process and timetable agreed by the Strategy and Resources Committee on 31 May 2022 and 5 July 2022.

6.4 **Alternatives Considered and Rejected**

6.4.1 The Council is required to both set a balance budget and to ensure that in-year income and expenditure are balanced. No other alternatives were considered.