

SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

POLICY COMMITTEE DECISION RECORD

The following decisions were taken on Tuesday 1 August 2023 by the Finance Committee.

Item No

7. CAPITAL APPROVALS MONTH 3 (2023/24)

7.1 This report provides details of proposed changes to the existing Capital Programme as brought forward in Month 03 2023/24.

7.2 **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:** That Finance Committee:-

- (i) approves the proposed additions and variations to the Capital Programme listed in Appendix 1;
- (ii) approves the proposed additions to the Capital Programme listed in Appendix 2 subject to the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding with the South Yorkshire Integrated Care Board; and
- (iii) approves the making of grant funding to third parties as identified in Appendix 3.

7.3 Reasons for Decision

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

7.3.2 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.

7.4 Alternatives Considered and Rejected

7.4.1 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.

8. LEASE OF LAND AT MILLHOUSES PARK, SHEFFIELD

8.1 This report seeks the approval by Finance Committee to grant a new lease of the Property on the terms set out in the Appendices to this report.

8.2 **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:** That Finance Committee approves the lease of the subject property to K S Yearley F C B Ltd Pension Scheme on the terms set out in

this report, subject to satisfactory due diligence checks being completed.

8.3 **Reasons for Decision**

8.3.1 Whilst the route to gaining agreement for this offer within the park has been convoluted and at times difficult, overall we believe the park offer to those people that use it is better with this second facility operating.

8.4 **Alternatives Considered and Rejected**

8.4.1 The Council could choose not to grant a lease to the proposed tenant and they could be required to return the land in its original state (grassed area) to Sheffield City Council. This would result in a reduced offer to the people who visit Millhouses, with less variety of offer and less capacity during busy summer months.

9. **YOUTH INVESTMENT FUND GRANTS**

9.1 The purpose of the report is to seek approval for the Council to become accountable body for multiple grants from the Youth Investment Fund.

9.2 **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:** That Finance Committee approves the Council becoming accountable body for multiple grants up to a maximum combined value of £7.9 million from the Youth Investment Fund for the refurbishment and/or creation of youth and community facilities across the city in line with the basis set out in this report.

9.3 **Reasons for Decision**

9.3.1 The Youth Investment Fund (YIF) is a £368 Million Government commitment to young people to transform and level up the out-of-school youth sector.

9.3.2 Officers have been working on up to 13 proposals for funding from the Youth Investment Fund with a combined value of up to £7.9 million. It is a requirement of the funding that projects are fully completed by 31st March 2025.

9.3.3 If successful, the funding will provide up to 13 new and refurbished youth facilities that will contribute to the aims of the Youth Strategy (2022-25) of enhancing the provision of universal youth work by investing in youth facilities across the city to make them safe, secure and with the right equipment to meet young Sheffielders' expectations of modern, contemporary, welcoming spaces.

9.3.4 Having the right facilities in the right places will also contribute to the stated aim of having 3 universal youth provisions in each ward every week.

9.3.5 This decision will ensure that, if successful, the acceptance of the funding can be completed quickly to ensure that the projects can be delivered against the programme.

9.4 **Alternatives Considered and Rejected**

9.4.1 **Alternative option 1 – Do nothing.**

A do-nothing option would be for the Council not to accept grant funding from the Social Investment Business Foundation through the Youth Investment Fund. This would result in not gaining the benefits of the funding for young people and communities across the city. Each individual project will benefit young people and their communities by increasing universal youth provision and/or providing facilities across the city that are safe, secure and with the right equipment to meet young Sheffielders' expectations of modern, contemporary, welcoming spaces.

9.4.2 **Alternative option 2 – Wait for the outcome of the application process.**

Waiting until after grants are awarded will lead to a delay in progressing the projects and would increase the risk that projects could not be completed before the end of the funding period. Authorising the acceptance of grants prospectively reduces this risk.

10. **SHEFFIELD NHS HEALTH CHECK PROGRAMME**

10.1 The purpose of the report is to seek permission to commission the NHS Health check programme.

The NHS Health Check programme is a Public Health programme in England for people aged 40-74. It is a risk assessment and management programme which aims to prevent or delay the onset of cardiovascular diseases (CVD) including diabetes, heart disease, kidney disease and stroke.

In April 2013 the NHS Health Check became a mandated public health service in England. Local authorities are responsible for making provision to offer an NHS Health Check to eligible individuals aged 40-74 years once every five years.

The outcomes we want to achieve are:

- increased healthy life expectancy; and
- reduced differences in life expectancy and healthy life expectancy between communities. In order to achieve this we need a targeted approach.

Previously Sheffield City Council commissioned Primary Care Sheffield to be the provider of the programme. The contract with Primary Care Sheffield ended April 2021 and due to pressures from the pandemic we have not been in a position to be able to recommission until now.

10.2 **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:** That Finance Committee approves the commissioning of an external provider to deliver the NHS health check programme for a period of 5 years and an estimated value of £925,000, as set out in this report.

10.3 **Reasons for Decision**

10.3.1 The NHS Health check is a mandated service and to not recommission would result in a breach of the mandate with possible sanctions against Sheffield City Council.

10.4 **Alternatives Considered and Rejected**

10.4.1 Do not recommission the programme – this would leave us in breach of the DHSC mandate.