



CABINET – FRIDAY 9 FEBRUARY

ORDER PAPER

ITEM **DETAILS**

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

1. MINUTES (PAGES 3 - 8)

Proposed motion

That the minutes of the meeting held on 9 January 2018 be taken as read, confirmed, and signed.

2. URGENT ITEMS

None.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members of the Cabinet are asked to declare any interests in the business to be discussed.

4. MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY 2018/19 – 2021/22. (PAGES 9 - 196)

Comments have been received from Mr. S. J. Galton CC on behalf of the Liberal Democrat Group which are appended to this Order Paper, marked '4'.

Proposed motion

That the following be recommended to the County Council;

- (a) That subject to the items below, approval be given to the Medium Term Financial Strategy which incorporates the recommended revenue budget for 2018/19 totalling £361m as set out in Appendices A, B and E of the report and includes the growth and savings for that year as set out in Appendix C;
- (b) That approval be given to the projected provisional revenue budgets for 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22, set out in Appendix B of the report, including the growth and savings for those years as set out in Appendix C, allowing the undertaking of preliminary work, including business case development, consultation and equality impact assessments, as may be necessary towards achieving the savings specified for those years including savings under development, set out in Appendix D;

- (c) That approval be given to the early achievement of savings that are included in the MTFs, as may be necessary, along with associated investment costs, subject to the Director of Finance agreeing to funding being available;
- (d) That the level of earmarked funds as set out in Appendix J be noted and the use of earmarked funds be approved;
- (e) That the amounts of the County Council's Council Tax for each band of dwelling and the precept payable by each billing authority for 2018/19 be as set out in Appendix K (including 3% for the adult social care precept);
- (f) That the Chief Executive be authorised to issue the necessary precepts to billing authorities in accordance with the budget requirement above and the tax base notified by the District Councils, and to take any other action which may be necessary to give effect to the precepts;
- (g) That approval be given to the 2018/19 to 2021/22 capital programme as set out in Appendix F;
- (h) That the Director of Finance following consultation with the Lead Member for Resources be authorised to approve new capital schemes including revenue costs associated with their delivery;
- (i) That it be noted that new capital schemes, referred to in (h), are shown as future developments in the capital programme, to be funded from funding available;
- (j) That the financial indicators required under the Prudential Code included in Appendix L, Annex 2 be noted and that the following limits be approved:

	2018/19 £m	2019/20 £m	2020/21 £m	2021/22 £m
Operational boundary for external debt				
i) Borrowing	264.6	264.1	263.6	263.1
ii) Other long term liabilities	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.0
TOTAL	265.9	265.3	264.7	264.1
Authorised limit for external debt				
i) Borrowing	274.6	274.1	273.6	273.1
ii) Other long term liabilities	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.0
TOTAL	275.9	275.3	274.7	274.1

- (k) That the Director of Finance be authorised to effect movement within the authorised limit for external debt between borrowing and other long term liabilities;
- (l) That the following borrowing limits be approved for the period 2018/19 to 2021/22:
- (i) Upper limit on fixed interest exposures 100%
 - (ii) Upper limit on variable rate exposures 50%
 - (iii) Maturity of borrowing:-

	<u>Upper Limit</u>	<u>Lower Limit</u>
	<u>%</u>	<u>%</u>
Under 12 months	30	0
12 months and within 24 months	30	0
24 months and within 5 years	50	0
5 years and within 10 years	70	0
10 years and above	100	25

- (m) That the Director of Finance be authorised to enter into such loans or undertake such arrangements as necessary to finance capital payments in 2018/19, subject to the prudential limits in Appendix L;
- (n) That the Treasury Management Strategy Statement and the Annual Investment Strategy for 2018/19, as set out in Appendix L, be approved including:
- (i) The Treasury Management Policy Statement, Appendix L; Annex 4
 - (ii) The Annual Statement of the Annual Minimum Revenue Provision as set out in Appendix L, Annex 1;
- (o) That approval be given to the Risk Management Policy and Strategy (Appendix H);
- (p) That the Capital Strategy (Appendix G) and Earmarked Funds Policy (Appendix I) to this report be approved;
- (q) That it be noted that the partners of the Leicester and Leicestershire Business Rate Pool have agreed to continue with the arrangements for 2018/19;
- (r) That the Director of Finance following consultation with the Lead Member for Resources be authorised to make changes to the MTFs required as a result changes arising between the Cabinet and County Council meetings, for example the Final Local Government Finance Settlement, subject to any changes being reported to the County Council.

5. DELAYED TRANSFERS OF CARE PERFORMANCE UPDATE. (PAGES 197 - 208)

Proposed motion

- (a) That it be noted that following the submission of the revised Delayed Transfers of Care (DTC) trajectory on 12 October, the Better Care Fund (BCF) Plan has been approved by NHS England;

- (b) That it be noted that a letter has been received from the Secretaries of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government and the Department of Health confirming that, due to the improved DTOC performance in Leicestershire, the risk of having Improved BCF (IBCF) funding withheld in 2018/19 has been removed;
- (c) That it be noted that overall DTOC performance in Leicestershire during November showed an improvement compared to the previous month, and was in line with the September target set by NHS England, but did not meet the revised local target in the BCF Plan;
- (d) That the findings of the local system review that has been undertaken to assess the state of preparedness of the Leicestershire health and care system as set out in paragraph 38 of the report be noted.

6. FIRE SAFETY IN LEICESTERSHIRE MAINTAINED SCHOOLS AND ACADEMIES. (PAGES 209 - 220)

Proposed motion

- (a) That the work undertaken to date by the Council to confirm the safety of pupils and other occupants of all Leicestershire maintained schools and academies be noted, specifically that:
 - (i) Local Authority maintained schools and academies have been asked to provide the Council with their Type 1 and Type 2 fire safety risk procedures,
 - (ii) The outcome of evaluation of the fire safety information provided to date, to confirm that each school is compliant with current fire safety regulations,
 - (iii) Where there are gaps in the information provided the enquiry will be pursued;
- (b) That it be noted that a further report will be made to the Cabinet in summer 2018 regarding:
 - (i) The development of a County Council policy and risk assessment process for the installation of sprinkler systems;
 - (ii) The outcome of assessments for those academies whose fire risk documents are currently outstanding;
 - (iii) Any changes in Government legislation/policy in relation to fire safety in schools.

7. RECONFIGURATION OF IN-HOUSE LEARNING DISABILITY RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION. (PAGES 221 - 244)

- *Comments have been received from Mr. D. C. Bill CC, and Dr. T. Eynon CC which are attached to this Order Paper marked '7a' and 7b'. Comments from Mr. D. Tredinnick MP are also attached marked '7c'*
- *Comments have been received on behalf of various individuals accessing services at The Trees residential care home, which are attached to this Order Paper marked '7d'.*

Proposed motion

- (a) That the Director of Adults and Communities be authorised to commence a consultation exercise on the proposed closure of Hamilton Court and Smith Crescent residential care homes in Coalville and the potential reconfiguration of two units at The Trees residential care home (Ashwood and Beechwood), in Hinckley from long stay accommodation to a short breaks facility;
- (b) That further options for the future use of the Hamilton Court and Smith Crescent sites, should they be closed, including providing accommodation for people in need of adult social care services, be explored;
- (c) That a further report be submitted to the Cabinet in June 2018 regarding the outcome of the consultation and the proposed way forward.

8. HIGHWAYS AUTHORITY PLANNING AND CHARGING REVIEW. (PAGES 245 - 266)

Proposed motion

- (a) That the introduction of revised Highways Standing Advice as set out in Appendix A of the report, be approved;
- (b) That the Director of Environment and Transport, following consultation with the Cabinet Lead Member be authorised to make minor amendments to the Highways Standing Advice document in line with operational procedures and national policy and guidance changes as required;
- (c) That the results of the consultation on the introduction of charging for non-statutory Highway Development Management services be noted;
- (d) That the introduction of charging for non-statutory Highway Development Management services as set out in the charging schedule in Appendix C of the report be approved.

9. ITEMS REFERRED FROM OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY.

No items have been referred from the Overview and Scrutiny Committees.

10. ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN HAS DECIDED TO TAKE AS URGENT.

None.

11. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Proposed motion

That under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 3 and 10 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act and that, in all circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

- *Oracle ERP System Replacement and the 'Fit for the Future' Programme.*

12. ORACLE ERP SYSTEM REPLACEMENT AND THE 'FIT FOR THE FUTURE' PROGRAMME.

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