



CABINET – 7 FEBRUARY 2020

ORDER PAPER

ITEM DETAILS

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr. T. J. Pendleton CC, Mr. J. B. Rhodes CC

1. MINUTES (Pages 3 - 8)

Proposed motion

That the minutes of the meeting held on 17 December 2019 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. LEICESTERSHIRE'S POLICY ON ADMISSIONS TO MAINSTREAM SCHOOLS: DETERMINATION OF ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS (Pages 9 - 74)

Proposed motion

- (a) That the outcome of the public consultation on the revised Leicestershire School Admissions Policy and changes to primary school catchment areas in Whetstone, Countesthorpe and Ashby be noted;
- (b) That the Leicestershire School Admissions Policy for entry from September 2021, the revised Leicestershire Oversubscription Criteria, and the three co-ordinated admission schemes, as detailed in Appendix A to the report, be approved;
- (c) That the changes to the school catchment areas in Whetstone, Countesthorpe and Ashby de la Zouch, as detailed in Appendix B to the report, be approved.

5. INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE ALLIANCE DEFINITION OF ANTISEMITISM (Pages 75 - 78)

Proposed motion

- (a) That the IHRA working definition of antisemitism be adopted by Leicestershire County Council;
- (b) That the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government be advised that the Council has adopted the definition.

6. PROVISIONAL MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY 2020/21 TO 2023/24 (Pages 79 - 316)

- (i) That the comments of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees and the Scrutiny Commission set out in Appendix O to the report be noted;
- (ii) 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 (MTFS) which incorporates the recommended revenue budget for 2020/21 totalling £390m as set out in Appendices A, B and D 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 2021/22, 2022/23 and 2023/24, set out in Appendix B to 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 and human rights impact assessments, as may be necessary towards achieving the savings specified for those years including savings under development;
 - (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 Corporate Resources agreeing to funding being available;
 - (d) That the level of earmarked funds as set out in Appendix J be noted and the use of those earmarked funds as indicated in that appendix 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 2020/21 as set out in Appendix L (including 2% for the adult social care precept) be approved;
 - (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 2020/21 to 2023/24 capital programme as set out in Appendix E;
- (h) That the Director of Corporate Resources following consultation with the Lead Member for Resources be authorised to approve new capital schemes, including revenue costs associated with their delivery, shown as future developments in the capital programme, to be funded from funding available;
- (i) That the financial indicators required under the Prudential Code included in Appendix M, Annex 2 be noted and that the following limits be approved:

	2020/21 £m	2021/22 £m	2022/23 £m	2023/24 £m
Operational boundary for external debt				
i) Borrowing	264	264	263	263
ii) Other long term liabilities	1	1	1	1
TOTAL	265	265	264	264
Authorised limit for external debt				
i) Borrowing	274	274	273	273
ii) Other long term liabilities	1	1	1	1
TOTAL	275	275	274	274

- (j) That the Director of Corporate Resources be authorised to effect movement within the authorised limit for external debt between borrowing and other long-term liabilities;
- (k) That the following borrowing limits be approved for the period 2020/21 to 2023/24:
- (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>
	%	%
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

- (l) That the Director of Corporate Resources be authorised to enter into such loans or undertake such arrangements as necessary to finance capital payments in 2020/21, subject to the prudential limits in Appendix M;

- (m) That the Treasury Management Strategy Statement and the Annual Investment Strategy for 2020/21, as set out in Appendix M, be approved including:
 - (i) the Treasury Management Policy Statement; Appendix M, Annex 4;
 - (ii) the Annual Statement of the Annual Minimum Revenue Provision as set out in Appendix M, Annex 1;
- (n) That the Capital Strategy (Appendix F), Corporate Asset Investment Fund Strategy (Appendix G), Risk Management Policy and Strategy (Appendix H), Earmarked Funds Policy (Appendix I) and Insurance Policy (Appendix K) be approved;
- (o) That it be noted that the Leicester and Leicestershire Business Rate Pool will continue for 2020/21;
- (iii) That the Director of Corporate Resources following consultation with the Lead Member for Resources be authorised to make any changes to the provisional MTFS which may be required as a result of issues arising between the Cabinet and County Council meetings, noting that any changes will be reported to the County Council on 19 February;
- (iv) That it be noted that following the enactment of the relevant legislation a report will be presented to the Council's Constitution Committee and thereafter to the County Council regarding the proposed addition to the County Council's Constitution (Part 2, Article 12.04) to confirm that the Director of Corporate Resources, as the Chief Financial Officer, is the Responsible Officer for the Leicestershire County Council Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS);
- (v) That the Leicestershire School Funding Formula be amended to reflect two additional funding factors - sparsity and pupil mobility - for 2020/21.

7. COMMISSIONING AND PROCUREMENT OF HOME CARE SERVICE POST-NOVEMBER 2020 (Pages 317 - 354)

- *Comments of the Adults and Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee are attached to this Order Paper, marked "7".*

Proposed motion

- (a) That the proposals for the new Home Care service, to be commissioned jointly with the West Leicestershire and East Leicestershire and Rutland Clinical Commissioning Groups, be approved;
- (b) That, in the event of the Clinical Commissioning Groups' Governing Bodies not agreeing to the procurement proposals for the new Home Care service, the Director of Adults and Communities, following consultation with the Lead Member for Adult Social Care, be authorised to agree any changes to the proposals that do not fundamentally affect the procurement of the new Home Care service;

- (c) That, in the event that the Clinical Commissioning Groups' Governing Bodies request changes that would fundamentally affect the procurement proposals, the Director of Adults and Communities, following consultation with the Lead Member for Adult Social Care, be authorised to determine if the Council should proceed alone to procure the new Home Care service or whether a further report will be submitted to the Cabinet.

8. FAIR OUTCOMES POLICY FOR ADULT SOCIAL CARE (Pages 355 - 368)

Proposed motion

That the Fair Outcomes Policy 2020 be approved.

9. LEICESTER AND LEICESTERSHIRE STRATEGIC TRANSPORT PRIORITIES 2020 TO 2050 (Pages 369 - 412)

- *Comments from Mr. Max Hunt CC, Labour Spokesperson on the Environment and Transport Overview and Scrutiny Committee, are attached to this Order Paper, marked "9".*

Proposed motion

- (a) That the draft Leicestershire Strategic Transport Priorities 2020-2050 document (LLSTP) be approved for consultation;
- (b) That it be noted that a further report will be submitted to the Cabinet in Summer 2020 presenting the outcome of the consultation and seeking approval for the final version of the LLSTP.

10. BARWELL SUSTAINABLE URBAN EXTENSION PLANNING APPLICATION (Pages 413 - 418)

- *Comments from Mr. D. C. Bill MBE, CC are attached to this Order Paper, marked "10".*

Proposed motion

- (a) That the progress made since the Cabinet meeting on 17 December 2019 be noted, including:
- (i) Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council's Major Projects update to its Planning Committee on 7 January 2020,
- (ii) Discussions that took place with Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council's officers on 14 January 2020,
- (iii) That the updated County Council Consultation responses that have been provided to Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council by County Council services, and
- (iv) That it is intended to meet with the developer on 10 February 2020;

- (b) That it be noted the final package of planning obligations towards County Council infrastructure to be included in the Section 106 agreement will be approved by the Director of Law and Governance following consultation with the Cabinet Lead Members for Environment and Transport and Children and Family Services.

11. ITEMS REFERRED FROM OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY

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

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

None.

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