

**Minutes of a meeting of Cabinet
held on 21st November, 2022
from 4.00 pm**

Present: J Ash-Edwards (Chair)

J Belsey
R Cromie

R de Mierre
S Hillier

N Webster

Absent: Councillor R Salisbury

Also Present: Councillors R Bates, R Clarke and J Dabell

1. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS IN RESPECT OF ANY MATTER ON THE AGENDA.

None.

2. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were received from Cllr Salisbury.

3. TO CONFIRM MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 17 OCTOBER 2022.

The minutes of the meeting held on 17 October 2022 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Leader.

4. TO CONSIDER ANY ITEMS THAT THE LEADER AGREES TO TAKE AS URGENT BUSINESS.

None.

5. BUDGET MANAGEMENT 2022/23 - PROGRESS REPORT APRIL TO SEPTEMBER 2022.

The Director of Resources and Organisational Development introduced the report and advised the Council was in a sustainable mid-year position despite the challenging climate.

Members discussed the reprofiling of Capital Schemes, reduction in Hackney Carriage fees and the use of Treasury Management Income to offset other increased costs to balance the budget.

In response to a question on the Dispersal of Asylum Seekers Grant, the Director of People and Commercial Services confirmed the Council is already in discussion with the required agencies regarding the UK Shared Prosperity Funding, linking this funding with other funding will enable the Council to support asylum seekers across the District.

In response to a question on the reprofiling of schemes, the Director of Resources and Organisational Development confirmed this is already underway and will be reflected in the end of year budget and will be part of the future budget setting process.

The Leader moved to vote on the recommendations which were agreed unanimously.

RESOLVED

Cabinet recommended to Council:

- (i) that £11,510 received from DLUHC in respect of Rough Sleeper Accommodation Programme grant be transferred to Specific Reserve as detailed in paragraph 27;
- (ii) that £82,500 received from the Home Office in respect of Dispersal of Asylum Seekers grant be transferred to Specific Reserve as detailed in paragraph 28;
- (iii) that £5,200 received from DLUHC in respect of new burdens grant for Temporary Pavement Licencing. be transferred to Specific Reserve as detailed in paragraph 29;
- (iv) that £280,465 received from UK Health Security Agency in respect of Track and Trace Self Isolation Administration grant be transferred to Specific Reserves as detailed in paragraph 30;
- (v) that £61,542 received from DLUHC for New Burdens Council Tax Rebate scheme be transferred to Specific Reserve as detailed in paragraph 31;
- (vi) the variations to the Capital Programme contained in Table 4 in accordance with the Council's Financial Procedure rule B3;
- (vii) to approve the use of the projected increase of £1,194,000 for Treasury Management income to finance the revenue budget, reducing the projected revenue overspend year end position to £41,000.

6. PERFORMANCE MONITORING FOR THE SECOND QUARTER OF 2022/23.

The Director Resources and Organisational Development introduced the report which provided information on the Council's performance to the half-year position.

Members discussed the health and wellbeing interventions, usage of the leisure centres and the upcoming replacement of the toilets in The Orchards.

In response to a query on electric vehicle charging points, the Director of People and Commercial Services advised it was too early to analyse the data.

The Leader moved to vote on the recommendations which were agreed unanimously.

RESOLVED

Cabinet noted the Council's performance in the first second of the year, identifying any areas where further reporting or information was required.

The meeting finished at 4.22 pm

Chairman