



Coventry City Council

SUMMARY OF CABINET/CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS

WEEK COMMENCING 10 FEBRUARY 2014

CALL IN FOR THESE DECISIONS ENDS
9.00 A.M. ON FRIDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2014

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Public Business

- Denotes items that have been referred to Audit and Procurement Committee.
- # Denotes items that are to be referred to Council. Accordingly Call-in does not apply.
- ◆ Denotes a matter where the associated report has already been considered by the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee or a Scrutiny Board. Where this body has endorsed the recommendations or made recommendations that have been accepted by the Cabinet/Cabinet Member Call-in does not apply.
- * Denotes other items that have been referred to, or considered by, the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee or a specific Scrutiny Board.

Note: The Limitations on Call-in are set out at the end of this sheet.

Joint Cabinet Members (Business, Enterprise and Employment) and (Public Services) – 10th February, 2014

Report 5 **Drapers Hall Refurbishment Proposal**

Recommendations

The Cabinet Member (Business, Enterprise & Employment) is recommended to:

1. Approve the contribution of Drapers Hall to the project at nil consideration as per the red line boundary on the attached plan in Appendix 1 for the purposes of delivering the project proposal, subject to Executive Directors Place and Resources satisfaction with the funding arrangements and a sustainable financial business plan.
2. Subject to satisfaction with the funding arrangements and sustainability of the financial business plan, approve the Council entering into the necessary legal documents to implement the project – this would include a Building Lease to undertake works, a long lease at a peppercorn of the restored building and ancillary land (exact area to be defined by planning consent) and the grant of a licence to use and maintain public open space.

The Cabinet Member (Public Services) is recommended to:

3. Approve Council support for a Highways Stopping Up Order as per the red line boundary on the attached plan in Appendix 2 for the purposes of delivering the project proposal.

The above recommendations were approved.

Cabinet Member (Business, Enterprise and Employment) – 10th February, 2014

Report 5 567-575 Foleshill Road/1 Blackwell Road – Progress Report

Recommendations

Cabinet Member (Business, Employment & Enterprise) is requested to note progress on the construction of a community building on land known as 567-575 Foleshill Road/1 Blackwell Road, as referred to in paragraph 1.4. of this report, and to request a further progress report on this issue in 12 months' time.

The above recommendation was approved.

Report 6 Disposal of Land at the Rear of 11 Gulson Road and 56 Seagrave Road

Recommendations

The Cabinet Member (Business, Enterprise and Employment) is recommended to:

1. Approve the application to be made to the Secretary of State to de-register the Allotment Land shown coloured green on the plan attached as Appendix 1.

2. Approve the Deed of Surrender of Part under the Master Lease in respect of the Allotment Land to be de-registered
3. Approve the disposal of the land edged red on the plan attached as Appendix 3 under s.123 of the Local Government Act 1972
4. Delegate Authority to the Executive Director, Resources to complete the necessary legal documentation to achieve the above.

The above recommendations were approved.

◆Report 7 Supporting Business Investment in Coventry: Recommendations from Business, Economy and Enterprise Scrutiny Board (3) 13th November 2013

Recommendations

Business, Economy and Enterprise Scrutiny Board (3) recommends that the Cabinet Member (Business, Enterprise and Employment):

- i. Investigates opportunities to promote local Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SME) access to procurement opportunities across public sector employers such as the police, fire service and NHS, building on the good practice developed by the City Council and other neighbouring authorities
- ii. Explores ways the Council can support SMES to reduce their direct costs.
- iii. Explores opportunities to share the risks in relation to SMEs taking on apprentices, including reviewing the model whereby colleges operate as employers, such as North Warwickshire College, Apprentice Training Agency.
- iv. Encourages partners to identify ways of supporting SMEs to work with the universities to innovate and invest in research and development

The above recommendations were approved.

Report 8 Lease of ROSE Community Centre, Spon End, Coventry

Recommendations

Cabinet Member (Business, Enterprise and Employment) is recommended to:

Grant a 30 year lease of ROSE Community Centre, Hope Street, Spon End, Coventry at a peppercorn rent to ROSE Community Centre Ltd.

The above recommendation was approved.

Report 9 Sale of Freehold Land; Bredon Avenue Doctor's Surgery

Recommendations

Cabinet Member is asked to approve the disposal of the freehold of the surgery at 232 Bredon Avenue in accordance with the agreed terms reported on the private part of this agenda.

The above recommendation was approved.

Cabinet Member (Public Services) – 10th February, 2014

Report 5 Petition and Consultation Results – Daventry Road Improvement Scheme

Recommendations

The Cabinet Member (Public Services) is recommended to:

1. Note the concerns and suggestions of the petitioners and consultees.
2. Approve implementation of the revised scheme (indicative layout shown in Appendix C).

3. Subject to the approval of recommendation 2 above, approve the use of an experimental Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to close the exit from the service road on to Quinton Road to enable the situation to be monitored.

The above recommendations were approved.

NOTE: In accordance with paragraph 4.5.27 of the Constitution, Councillor Clifford, as the nominee of the Chair of Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee, attended the Cabinet Member (Public Services) meeting and agreed the need for urgency such that call-in arrangements will not apply. The reason for urgency is that the works must be completed before 23rd March 2014 when Warwick Road is due to be closed for approximately 12 months in connection with the Friargate development. Quinton Road will be one of the routes vehicles will use to avoid Warwick Road while it is closed. Therefore having planned works taking place on this route while the closures are in place could cause major disruption and be against the public interest, as well as causing reputational damage to the City Council. Although the Daventry Road scheme was originally planned to be completed in plenty of time before this date, due to the design and consultation process taking longer than expected, and now the petition being received, there won't be enough time to complete the scheme before 23rd March should the decision be delayed by the call-in process.

Report 8 Outstanding Issues

Recommendations

The Cabinet Member (Public Services) is requested to consider the list of outstanding issues and to ask the Member of the Management Board or appropriate officer to explain the current position on those which should have been discharged at this meeting or an earlier meeting

The above recommendation was approved.

Cabinet – 11th February, 2014

○Report 5 2013/14 Third Quarterly Revenue and Capital Monitoring and Treasury Management Report (to November 2014)

Councillor Gannon

Recommendations

Cabinet is recommended to:

1. Approve a further reserve contribution of £0.2m to fund one-off expenditure relating to temporary additional staffing within Children's Social Care within the People Directorate. This is in addition to the £0.8m approved at Quarter 2.
2. Approve a future contribution of £1.0m to fund one-off expenditure relating to temporary additional staffing within Children's Social Care within the People Directorate funded through one of the options outlined in Section 5.1.
3. Note the balanced revenue position projected currently.
4. Approve the revised capital estimated outturn position for the year of £66.2m incorporating:
 - (i) £15.3m net rescheduling of expenditure into 2014/15, (see Appendix 3).
 - (ii) £0.5m net under-spending on the programme.

The above recommendations were approved.

#Report 6 City Deal - Wave 2 Growth Hub Regional Growth Fund Bid

Councillor Kelly

Recommendations

Cabinet is requested to recommend that Council:

Recognise the funding opportunity secured through Wave 2 Business Growth Hubs Funding, and authorise the Council to act as guarantor for the Programme.

The above recommendation was approved.

#Report 7 High Speed Rail (London – West Midlands) Bill

Councillor Kelly

Recommendations

That Cabinet are requested to recommend that the Council:

- (1) In order to get the best possible outcome from HS2 for the City Bill and in accordance with the Section 239 of the Local Government Act (LGA) 1972, the Council formally opposes aspects of the High Speed Rail (London – West Midlands) Bill and in order to do this passes the following resolutions:

RESOLVED–

- (1) That in the judgment of the Coventry City Council it is expedient for the Council to oppose the High Speed Rail (London – West Midlands) Bill introduced in the Session of Parliament 2013-14.
- (2) That the Cabinet Member (Business, Enterprise and Employment), the Executive Director, Place and Assistant Director, Legal & Democratic Services take all necessary steps to carry the foregoing Resolution into effect, that the Common Seal be affixed to any necessary documents and that confirmation be given that Sharpe Pritchard (Parliamentary Agents) be authorised to sign the Petition of the Council against the Bill.

The above recommendations were approved.

#Report 8 Social Value Policy

Councillor Gannon

Recommendations

The Cabinet is requested to:

1. Recommend that the Council approve the Social Value Policy attached as Appendix 1 to this report.

The above recommendation was approved

Report 9 Management of Council Land

Councillors Ruane and Townshend

Recommendations

Cabinet is recommended to:

1. Approve the completion of preparatory work to progress the re-build including site surveys and application for planning permission.
2. Following completion of preparatory work, approve the issuing of an order for a construction contract for the re-build of the site, following a tender for the works. The value of the order for construction contract is not to exceed the value of the grant available from the Homes and Communities Agency.
3. Approve that in the event that the grant available from the Homes and Communities Agency is withdrawn, or the work not completed by 31 March 2015, and the City Council has incurred expenditure that this expenditure is incurred from the City Councils capital budget.
4. Approve inclusion of the project in the Capital programme for 2014/15 as part of the City Councils annual budget setting process.
5. Delegate authority to Cabinet Member (Housing and Heritage) and Cabinet Member (Community Safety and Equalities) to take decisions as to how both the re-build and other issues in relation to the management of the site are progressed.
6. To accept further reports, as required regarding the progression of the redevelopment of the site.

The above recommendations were approved.

#Report 10 Friargate Bridge – Additional Works

Councillor Kelly

Recommendations

Cabinet are requested to:

1. Note the funding award by European Regional Development Fund for £7.235 million for additional works to Friargate Bridge.
2. Approve project management and design costs of £0.744million will be incurred at risk up until June 2014 when contracts are planned to be signed for additional works.
3. Approve the Early Works Agreement for the Bridge Deck and project management and design costs up to February 2014 for £0.7million to enable site clearance and mobilisation prior to target contract price agreement.
4. Authorise the City Council to act as guarantor for this additional funding, and provide delegated authority for the Executive Director, Place to enter into a Grant Aid Agreement with Friargate Coventry LLP in order to fund their element of the additional works.
5. Retrospectively approve the delegation of authority of the Executive Director, Place to enter into a Grant Funding Agreement for the ERDF funding with the Department for Communities and Local Government.

The above recommendations were approved.

Report 11 Outstanding Issues

Councillor Mrs Lucas

Recommendations

The Cabinet are recommended to consider the list of outstanding items as set out below and to ask the Member of the Management Board concerned to explain the current position on those which should have been discharged at this meeting or an earlier meeting.

The above recommendation was approved.

Limitations on Call-in

A call-in will normally be regarded as appropriate **UNLESS**:-

1. it falls within paragraph 4.5.26 of the Scrutiny rules (part 4 of the Constitution) – ie. it relates to:-
 - (i) a matter which is to be determined by the Council.
 - (ii) a decision of the Cabinet/Cabinet Member taken as a matter of urgency and the Chair of the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee (or his/her nominee) had been invited to attend the meeting where the urgent decision had been taken or the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee has previously agreed the need for urgency.
 - (iii) a decision made by an employee exercising delegated authority.
 - (iv) decisions of the Licensing and Regulatory Committee.
 - (v) decisions of the Planning Committee.
 - (vi) decisions of the Appeals and Appointments Panels.
 - (vii) decisions of the Audit Committee.
 - (viii) a matter where the associated report has already been considered by the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee or a Scrutiny Board who have endorsed the recommendations or made recommendations that have been accepted by the Cabinet/Cabinet Member.
2. The call-in form is not completed correctly.
3. The call-in form is received after the specified time.
4. The reason for the call-in is unclear or does not relate directly to the decision specified on the call-in form.
5. The reason for the call-in is a question, the answer to which can be found in the report relating to the decision which is being called in.



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