



Coventry City Council

SUMMARY OF CABINET/CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS

WEEK COMMENCING 3 MARCH 2014

**CALL IN FOR THESE DECISIONS ENDS
9.00 A.M. ON FRIDAY 14 MARCH 2014**

7 MARCH 2014

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.

Cabinet – 4th March, 2014

Report 5 Super Connected Coventry – Project Revision

Councillor Kelly

Recommendations

Cabinet is requested to:

1. Note the revisions to the project which highlight that an infrastructure scheme will no longer be delivered. In its place a voucher scheme has been established whereby Small and Medium Enterprises will receive vouchers to spend with Broadband providers of their choice. The voucher scheme will be operated subject to criteria established as part of a Department for Culture Media and Sport national framework.
2. Ratify the signing of the Grant Aid Agreement (GAA) in respect of the reduced scheme and consequent reduced funding under the previous approval.

3. Approve the award of funding to Small and Medium Enterprises of amounts between £250 and £3,000 in accordance with the requirements of the GAA and state aid de minimis rules.
4. Note the reduced contributions now required from the Council.

The above recommendations were approved.

Report 6 Advice Services Review

Councillor Townshend

Recommendations

Cabinet is requested:

1. To approve grant funding of the Coventry Law Centre and CAB for a minimum additional 12 months to Mar 2015 at the same rate as previous years via new grant deed.
2. To approve grant funding to Holbrooks Community Care Association, Willenhall Advice Centre and Wood End Advice Centre for a 12 month period from 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2015 to enable them to complete their merger and provide increased provision to priority neighbourhoods (at the same grant levels as 2013/14).
3. To approve re-investment of the Foleshill 396 grant to the remaining neighbourhood providers listed in point 2 above, to ensure continuation of appropriate service in Foleshill – with increased output requirements conducive to the increased funding levels.
4. To reconsider this review in 12 months when it will be clear (through performance management) whether advice providers are providing the outcomes required from the review – or not – and then either decide to close the review or take appropriate remedial action.

The above recommendations were approved.

Report 7 Assurance Protocol for the Effective Discharge of Director Children's Services Function

Councillors Duggins and Kershaw

Recommendations

Cabinet are recommended to approve the Assurance Document (Appendix 1), of the report.

The above recommendation was approved.

Report 8 Outcome of the Consultation on the Proposed Expansion of Edgewick Primary School, Publication of a Statutory Notice for Additional Primary Places for 2015

Councillor Kershaw

Recommendations

Cabinet is requested to:

1. Note the outcome of the 6th – 31st January 2014 Consultation to expand Edgewick Primary School
2. Approve the publication of a Statutory Notice under Section 19(1) of The Education and Inspection Act 2006, to increase the admission number for Edgewick Primary School with effect from September 2015, as set out in Appendix 1
3. Approve that a further report is submitted to Cabinet in May 2014 on the outcome of the publication of the Statutory Notice and the financial implication of delivering the expansion programme for September 2015.

The above recommendations were approved.

Report 9 Education Capital: Priority Schools Building Programme

Councillor Kershaw

Recommendations

Cabinet is requested to approve the following recommendations:

1. Note the progress made in respect of the delivery of Coventry's PSBP.
2. Note the update on progress of procurement for the President Kennedy School as part of the Midlands Privately Financed Batch of Schools;
3. Approve capital expenditure within the Education Capital Programme of:
 - £95,000 in respect of S278 (Highways Works) and other off site works, as a result of the new school buildings; and
 - £60,000 in respect of costs associated with the required temporary decant of the Children's Centre at Richard Lee School and the installation of new fibre optic works required at Richard Lee School Site.
4. Authorise officers to continue supporting schools and the Education Funding Agency (EFA) in delivering the six capital grant funded schemes and the procurement of the President Kennedy School
5. Agree to receive further monitoring reports in July and November 2014 on the progress of construction and handover of the capital grant funded schools in the Coventry PSBP Programme and the procurement of President Kennedy School. President Kennedy School is to be replaced through a new form of Private Finance Initiative known as PF2.

The above recommendations were approved.

Report 10 Local Sustainable Transport Fund (LSTF2) Funding Bid

Councillor Lancaster

Recommendations

That Cabinet are requested to:

- (1) approve the submission of a funding bid to the Department for Transport's Local Sustainable Transport Fund.
- (2) Delegate approval of the final submission to the Executive Director Place in consultation with the Cabinet Member (Public Services).

The above recommendations were approved.

Report 11 2014/15 Transportation and Highway Maintenance Capital Programme

Councillor Lancaster

Recommendations

1. Approve the 2014/15 capital programme of schemes for maintenance and integrated transport as detailed in table 3 below.
2. Approve the schemes designated 'A' for construction in 2014/15 as indicated in table 3, and delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Public Services, to approve the schemes not designated 'A' in table 3.

The above recommendations were approved.

Report 12 NUCKLE (Phase 1, Package 1)

Councillor Lancaster

Recommendations

The Cabinet is recommended to:

1. Delegate authority to Executive Director Resources to enter into a Project Delivery Agreement with the scheme Partners, which confirms funding and provides for any costs overruns to be met in

equal shares between Coventry City Council and Warwickshire County Council,

2. Delegate authority to the S151 Officer to approve the submission of a joint 'Full Approval' Major Scheme Funding submission by Coventry City Council on behalf of the City Council and the other two partners; Warwickshire County Council and Centro; to the Department for Transport as the final funding to deliver the NUCKLE Phase 1 Package 1 scheme; and if approved to enter into the appropriate funding agreements;
3. Delegate authority to Executive Director Place to contract with a Principal Contractor for delivery of the works, together with all associated agreements that support construction including an Asset Protection Agreement with Network Rail and various land agreements;

The above recommendations were approved.

Report 13 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.

Cabinet Member (Community Safety and Equalities) – 5th March, 2014

Report 5 Covert Surveillance of Employees Policy and Procedure

Recommendations

The Cabinet Member is recommended to:

- (1) Consider the recommendation from the Audit and Procurement Committee and the draft policy.
- (2) Approve the Policy and Procedure for the Covert Surveillance of Employees.
- (3) To request that the Monitoring Officer provide a report to the Cabinet Member (Community Safety and Equalities) on a six monthly basis identifying the number of applications, the total cost to the local authority of the surveillance and any other relevant issues. Trade Union representatives are to be invited to such meetings.

The above recommendations were approved.

Report 6 Kenilworth Road Spinney

Recommendations

The Cabinet Member (Community Safety and Equalities) is recommended to approve:-

1. That the Assistant Director for Legal and Democratic Services send an appropriate Notice to all householders with structures that encroach onto the Council's land at The Spinney, requiring their removal within **8** weeks. The notice will state that the Council reserves the right to take enforcement action without further notice if the structures remain in place on expiry of the **8** week period. **However in the event of continuing default, a further letter be sent to defaulting householders indicating that enforcement action will be issued within 14 days thereafter, unless legal grounds or extenuating personal circumstances are brought to the attention of the Council.**
2. That if the householders fails to comply, the Assistant Director for Legal and Democratic Services in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Equalities, **be** authorised to commence enforcement proceedings where appropriate

3. That officers from Park Services and Development Management prepare a draft document providing guidance as to what structures are permitted as entrance markers within the Spinney and this to be considered as part of any revised Conservation Area Appraisal and Control Plan, **and that such a document be delivered to all relevant householders within 4 weeks of the date of this recommendation.**

The above recommendations were amended as in bold and approved together with the following additional recommendation:

4. A copy of this report and recommendations be forwarded within 2 working days to the relevant Ward Councillors and, if requested, appropriate officers brief the Ward Councillors in relation to the issues.

Report 7 Charities Information – Updated Progress Report

Recommendations

The Cabinet Member (Community Safety and Equalities) is recommended to approve the proposed approach as outlined in section 1 of the report.

The above recommendation was approved.

Report 8 Outstanding Issues Report

Recommendations

The Cabinet Member (Community Safety and Equalities) 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.

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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