SUMMARY OF CABINET / CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS

WEEK COMMENCING 9 January 2023

CALL IN FOR THESE DECISION ENDS 9.00 A.M. ON FRIDAY 20 January 2023

13 January 2023

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.
- Split recommendations. Please see note at foot of item for details of the recommendations that are not subject to call-in.

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

Cabinet – Tuesday 10 January 2023

Report 5 The 2023/24 Council Tax Base Report

Councillor R Brown

Recommendations:

The Cabinet is recommended to:

1. Approve that the Council Tax collection rate for 2023/24 be set at 97.9%.

2. That, in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Tax Base) Regulations 2012, the amounts calculated by the City Council for 2023/24 shall be:

a net tax base of 86,075.2 for the whole of the City Council area made up as follows:

Allesley Parish	387.5
Finham Parish	1,549.4
Keresley Parish	369.8
All Other Coventry City Council Wards	83,768.5
Total	86,075.2

3. That the following grant payments should be made to parish councils to reflect the impact in 2023/24 of Council Tax reductions on their tax bases:

Allesley Parish	£2,057
Finham Parish	£3,114
Keresley Parish	£2,048
Total	£7,219

The above recommendations were approved

Report 6 Draft Urban Forestry Strategy

Councillors AS Khan and P Hetherton

Recommendation:

1. Approve the adoption of the Urban Forestry Strategy as appended to the report.

The above recommendation was approved

Report 7 Outcomes of the Fair Funding Consultation 2023-24

Councillor Dr K Sandhu

Recommendations:

Cabinet is requested to:

- 1. Approve the recommended changes to the Fair Funding Formula and Fair Funding Scheme of Delegation, which are summarised in section 3 of the report.
- 2. Delegate authority to the Director of Education and Skills, following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills, to make any necessary amendments to the final detail of these recommended changes, in order to comply with the School Finance (England) Regulations 2022 once full detail of the schools funding settlement has been published by the Department for Education for 2023/24. Any changes will be made following discussion with the Schools Forum as appropriate.

The above recommendations were approved

Report 8 Coventry One Strategic Plan and Education Capital Programme

Councillor Dr K Sandhu

Recommendations:

The Cabinet is recommended to:

- 1. Authorise the programme of work outlined within the proposed Coventry One Strategic Plan for Primary, Secondary Education and Special Educational Needs (SEN).
- 2. Delegate authority to the Chief Partnership Officer and the Chief Legal Officer to agree the most appropriate procurement route for the works to be delivered and awarded.
- 3. Delegate authority to the Chief Partnership Officer and the Chief Legal Officer to undertake all necessary due diligence and to enter into the legal agreement to facilitate the lease for Swanswell to Sidney Stringer Multi Academy Trust (MAT) to allow Sidney Stringer Academy to increase their Published Admission Number (PAN).
- 4. (Subject to acting within approved budgets), authorise an increase to capital budget for the delivery of the capital refurbishment works on the Woodlands site, to facilitate the relocation and expansion of Woodfield Special School by an additional amount of up to the sum identified in the private element of this report.
- 5. Approve that the Council capital programme is adjusted to facilitate the Recommendation set out in Recommendation 4 above.

The above recommendations were approved

Report 10a Appointment of Proper Officers and Appointments Panel

Councillor G Duggins

Recommendations:

- 1. The Cabinet are asked to recommend that the City Council, at their meeting on 17th January 2023:
- 1.1 With effect from 1st February 2023, to appoint Barry Hastie (Chief Operating Officer, S151 Officer) and Kirston Nelson (Chief Partnership Officer) as joint Acting Chief Executives for the

Council until such time as a new Chief Executive has been recruited and is in post.

- 1.2 Designates Barry Hastie (Chief Operating Officer) as Head of Paid Service under s.4 Local Government and Housing Act 1989.
- 1.3 With effect from 1st February 2023 to appoint Julie Newman (Chief Legal Officer) as the City Council's Returning Officer and Electoral Registration Officer.
- 1.4 Delegates authority to the Chief Legal Officer to make appropriate changes to the Council's Constitution to reflect the above recommendations.

The above recommendations were approved

Limitations on Call-in

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

- 1. It falls within paragraph 18 of the Scrutiny rules (Part 3E 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 and Procurement 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.