
SUMMARY OF CABINET / CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS

WEEK COMMENCING 12 February 2024

**CALL IN FOR THESE DECISION ENDS
9.00 A.M. ON FRIDAY 23 February 2024**

16 February 2024

Public Business

- Denotes items that have been referred to, or have been, or are to be considered by, Audit and Procurement Committee.
- # Denotes items that are to be referred to, or are to be considered by, 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 have been, or are to be 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 13 February 2024

Report 5 2023/24 Third Quarter Financial Monitoring Report (to December 2023)

Councillor R Brown

Recommendations:

Cabinet is requested to:

- 1) Approve the Council's Third Quarter revenue monitoring position.
- 2) Approve the revised forecast capital outturn position for the year of £127.6m incorporating £9.6m net increase in spending relating to approved/technical changes and £11.7m of net rescheduling of expenditure into future years.

The above recommendations were approved.

Report 6

Coventry One Strategic Plan and Education Capital Programme 2023 - 2027

Councillor Dr K Sandhu

Recommendations:

Cabinet is requested to:

- 1) Authorise the programme of work outlined within the proposed Coventry One Strategic Plan for Primary, Secondary and Special Educational Needs (SEN) Education.
- 2) Delegate authority to the Chief Partnerships Officer to agree the most appropriate procurement route for the works to be delivered and awarded.
- 3) Subject to acting within existing budgets, authorise the acquisition of such land by way of agreement as is required to facilitate sufficiency of school places within Coventry.
- 4) Delegate authority to the Director of Property Services and Development and Chief Partnerships Officer, following consultation with the Chief Operating Officer and Chief Legal Officer, to undertake all necessary due diligence including acceptance of terms for such Acquisition and the entering into appropriate legal agreements.
- 5) Authorise the funding stream as set out in section 2.4 of the report to be utilised for the delivery of programme of works in relation to primary, secondary and SEND places within the Coventry One Strategic Plan.
- 6) Note the increased fees for academy conversion recoupment charges as set out in section 4 of the report.

The above recommendations were approved.

Report 7

Local Development Scheme (LDS) Update

Councillor D Welsh

Recommendations:

Cabinet is requested to:

- 1) Adopt the draft Local Development Scheme 2023-2025 appended at Appendix 1 to the report.

The above recommendation was approved.

Report 8 Smokefree Generation – Local Authority Funding Allocation

Councillor K Caan

Recommendations:

Cabinet is requested to:

- 1) Agree to accept the “Stopping the Start” Grant in the sum of £520,304 for 2024/25 noting that future grants may be the subject of further reports.
- 2) Delegate authority to the Director of Public Health and Wellbeing to undertake the necessary procurement exercises and/ or enter into grant agreements with external organisations (to a value no higher than the “Stopping the Start” Grant sum of £520,304) to meet the deliverable requirements of the “stopping the Start” Grant.
- 3) Delegate to the Director for Public Health and Wellbeing following consultation with the Chief Legal Officer to enter into the necessary legal agreements to give effect to the above recommendations.

The above recommendations were approved.

Report 9 Proposed statutory consultation for the designation of a new Additional HMO Licensing Scheme 2025 – 2030

Councillors A S Khan and D Welsh

Recommendations:

Cabinet is recommended to:

- 1) Consider the Additional Licensing Review Report 2023 and resolve there is a need to make a new designation for a citywide Additional Licensing scheme commencing from 5th May 2025.
- 2) Authorise a citywide statutory 12-week consultation beginning on 26th of February 2024 and ending on 17th of May 2024.
- 3) Request a future report setting out the responses received to the statutory period of public engagement, proposed HMO licensing policy, standards and fees and charges for the new Additional Licensing scheme.

The above recommendations were approved.

Report 10 Business Energy Advice Service (BEAS)

Councillor J O'Boyle

Recommendations:

Cabinet is recommended to:

- 1) Approve the acceptance of BEAS funding £1,689,679 for delivery and management of Energy Audits and any further allocation up to and including grants up to a maximum of £2.5m.
- 2) Grant delegated authority to the Director for Business, Investment and Culture, following consultation with the Chief Operating Officer and the Chief Legal Officer and following consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member(s), to undertake all necessary due diligence in relation to the funding allocation, including the authority to establish and implement the grant scheme necessary to deliver the BEAS.
- 3) Grant delegated authority to the Director for Business, Investment and Culture, following consultation with the Chief Operating Officer and the Chief Legal Officer and following consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member(s), to enter into back-to-back contracts with the Lead Delivery Partners – Aston University for Energy Audits and Birmingham City Council for Capital Grants and any other external providers that may be required to deliver some activities, as deemed necessary.

The above recommendations were approved.

#Report 11 City Centre South Additional Grant Funding

Councillors J O'Boyle, R Brown and D Welsh

Recommendations:

Cabinet is asked to recommend that Council:

- 1) Approve the acceptance of the Additional WMCA Funding of up to £12.24m to be added to the £98.8m previously secured which will be utilised to facilitate the delivery of City Centre South.
- 2) Delegate authority to the Director of Property Services and Development, following consultation with the Chief Operating Officer (Section 151 Officer), the Chief Legal Officer, the Cabinet Member for Jobs, Regeneration and Climate Change, the

Cabinet Member for Strategic Finance and Resources and the Cabinet Member for Housing and Communities, to undertake the necessary due diligence and approve and enter into the legal agreements and undertakings necessary to give effect to recommendation 1) above.

- 3) Add the Additional WMCA Funding to the Council's 5 Year Capital Programme.

The above recommendations were approved.

Cabinet Member for Education and Skills – Tuesday 13 February 2024

Report 4 Community and Voluntary Controlled School Admission Policies for 2025/26 and Co-ordinated School Admission Schemes for 2025/26

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member for Education and Skills is recommended to:

- 1) Determine the Admissions Policy for Community and Voluntary Controlled Primary, Infant and Junior Schools for 2025/26 (see appendix 1 to the report).
- 2) Determine the Co-ordinated Admissions Scheme for Primary, Infant and Junior Schools in Coventry for 2025/26 (see appendix 2 to the report)
- 3) Determine the Co-ordinated Admissions Scheme for Secondary Schools in Coventry for 2025/26 (see appendix 3 to the report).

The above recommendations were approved.

Report 5 Determination of School Terms and Holidays – 2025/26

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member for Education and Skills is recommended to:-

- 1) Consider the outcome of the consultation on School Terms and Holidays and agree a calendar for 2025/26
- 2) Adopt the School Terms and Holiday calendar for 2025/26 set out in appendix 1; and

- 3) Invite the Catholic and Church of England Diocesan Authorities and the Governors of Trust Schools and Academies to recommend the same calendar for their schools

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.