

Council – 15 October 2024
Recommendation from Cabinet
1 October 2024

Coventry City Council
Minutes of the Meeting of Cabinet held at 2.00 pm on Tuesday, 1 October 2024

Present:

Cabinet Members: Councillor G Duggins (Chair)
Councillor A S Khan (Deputy Chair)
Councillor N Akhtar
Councillor L Bigham
Councillor R Brown
Councillor K Caan
Councillor J O'Boyle
Councillor K Sandhu
Councillor P Seaman

Non-Voting Deputy
Cabinet Members: Councillor S Agboola
Councillor P Akhtar
Councillor G Hayre
Councillor S Nazir

Non-Voting Opposition
Members: Councillor S Gray
Councillor G Ridley

Other Non-Voting
Members: Councillor R Lakha
Councillor G Lloyd
Councillor C E Thomas

Employees
(by Service area):

Chief Executive Julie Nugent (Chief Executive)

Adult Services and
Housing P Fahy (Director of Adult Services and Housing)

Childrens Services and
Education S Sen (Director of Childrens Services and Education),
N Jeffreys

City Services and

Commercial	D Pipe, J Seddon
Policy and Communications	M Burrows (Interim Director of Policy and Communications)
Finance and Resources	B Hastie (Director of Finance and Resources)
Law and Governance	J Newman (Director of Law and Governance), J Adams, D Blackburn, L Nagle, M Salmon
Public Health and Wellbeing	V De Souza
Apologies:	Councillor P Hetherton Councillor P Male Councillor D Toulson

Public Business

22. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no disclosable pecuniary interests.

RECOMMENDATION

26. **Coventry Youth Justice Plan - 2023-25 Strategy - Update 2024**

Cabinet considered a report of the Director of Childrens Services and Education, that would also be considered at the meeting of the Council on 15th October 2024, which gave notification that the Coventry Youth Justice Service (CYJS) - Youth Justice Plan had been agreed and signed off by its Chair, the previous Interim Director of Childrens Services, and sought Council endorsement of the Plan. Appendices to the report provided: the Coventry Youth Justice Plan - 2023-25 Strategy – Update 2024; and an Equality Impact Assessment.

Youth Justice Services were established under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 with the principal aim being to prevent offending behaviour by children and young persons [s.37(1) Crime and Disorder Act 1998]. The Act imposed a duty on each local authority (with its statutory partners: Police, Health, and Probation) to ensure that adequate Youth Justice Services were available in the area. The key tasks of the service were:

- Management and delivery of diversion work to children at risk of entering the youth justice system and children subject to an out of court disposal, community sentences, and a secure estate sentence
- Servicing the Youth Court and Crown Courts (in terms of provision of the court team, Bail & Health Assessments, provision of Court Reports)
- Parenting services and management of Parenting Orders
- Victim services

The legislation also imposed a duty to complete and submit a Youth Justice Plan each year. The Youth Justice Board (YJB) provided a grant to the Service, outlined delivery expectations and oversaw performance for Services; the plan followed a YJB mandated template.

Cabinet endorsed acceptance of the Coventry Youth Justice Plan - 2023-25 Strategy – Update 2024 and recommend that Council endorse the Plan.

RESOLVED that Cabinet endorses acceptance of the Coventry Youth Justice Plan - 2023-25 Strategy – Update 2024 and recommends that Council endorse the Plan.

RESOLVED that Cabinet:

- 1) Approves the final balanced revenue outturn position after a contribution of £6.7m from reserves.**
- 2) Approves the final capital expenditure and resourcing position (section 2.3 and Appendix 2 of the report), incorporating expenditure of £146.9m against a final budget of £160.9m; £14m expenditure rescheduled into 2023/24.**
- 3) Approves the outturn Prudential Indicators position in section 2.4.4 and Appendix 3 of the report.**
- 4) Recommends that Council approves the reserve contribution of £6.7m for the purposes described in Section 5.1 of the report.**