

LONDON BOROUGH OF CROYDON

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STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISIONS MADE AT THE CABINET MEETING ON 18 SEPTEMBER 2017

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The following apply to each decision listed below:

Reasons for these decisions: are contained in the reports which can be downloaded on the Council's website www.croydon.gov.uk

Other options considered and rejected: are contained in the reports which can be downloaded on the Council's website www.croydon.gov.uk

Details of conflicts of Interest declared by any Cabinet Member: none

Note of dispensation granted by the head of paid service in relation to a declared conflict of interest by that Member: none

The Leader of the Council has delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the executive decisions set out below:

AGENDA ITEM 5: Quarter 1 Financial Performance 2017-18

The Leader of the Council has delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the executive decisions set out below:

RESOLVED to

- i) Note the current revenue outturn forecast at the end of the first quarter of 2017/18 of £1.049m over budget, and the actions put in place to reduce the overspend;
- ii) Note the position on the exceptional items of £2.7m and work to secure additional funding from Government for these costs.
- iii) Endorse the proposed campaign for getting fair funding for Croydon residents
- iv) Note the HRA position of a £0.619m forecast underspend against budget;
- v) Note the capital outturn projection of £17.268m forecast under spend against budget.
- vi) Approve the virement detailed in Section 5.

AGENDA ITEM 6: Ofsted Inspection of Children’s Services

A presentation was given jointly by Jo Negrini, Chief Executive and Barbara Peacock, Executive Director People. This can be viewed on the meeting webcast.

The Leader of the Council has delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the executive decisions set out below:

RESOLVED to

1.1 Note the findings of the Ofsted Single Inspection Framework carried out between 20 June and 13 July 2017 as set out in Appendix 1 of the report.

1.2 Note the actions taken following the inspection.

1.3 Note the guidance from Ofsted in relation to local authorities that have received an overall judgement of inadequate as set out in Appendix 2 of the report.

1.4 Note the guidance from the Department for Education in relation to local authorities which have received an overall judgement of inadequate as set out in Appendix 3 of the report.

1.5 Note that a commissioner for Children’s Services has been appointed by the DfE for an initial three-month period, and will report to the DfE on the progress on the improvement journey and the councils capacity and capability to take this work forward.

1.6 Delegate to the Executive Director of People in consultation with the Chief Executive and Lead Member for Children, Young People and Learning authorisation to develop and submit the improvement plan within the 70 day requirement for Ofsted.

1.7 Receive further reports on the council’s response to the findings of the inspection and the action being taken to improve Children’s Services in Croydon.

1.8 Note that the Scrutiny and Overview Committee, at its meeting on 5 September 2017, agreed to lead on scrutinising the progress of the overarching improvement plan and that each Children and Young People’s Scrutiny Meeting will have a standing item to focus on a key theme in the Improvement Plan.

AGENDA ITEM 7: Providing accessible financial services; “Croydon Plus” local Credit Union Update

The Leader of the Council has delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the executive decisions set out below:

RESOLVED to note progress in supporting the local Credit Union, the range and level of support it is now providing and future plans.

AGENDA ITEM 8: Local Implementation Funding (LIP) Funding 2018/19

The Leader of the Council has delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the executive decisions set out below:

RESOLVED to agree the Croydon Annual Spending Submission to TfL to release 2018/19 Local Implementation Plan (LIP) funding covering:

1.1 'Corridors, Neighbourhoods and Supporting Measures' funding proposals in Appendix A of the report:

- 1.1.1 20 MPH limits and areas (£100,000)
 - 1.1.2 Further road safety initiatives (£640,000)
 - 1.1.3 Physical measures to enhance cycling (£700,000)
 - 1.1.4 Physical measures to enhance walking (£322,000)
 - 1.1.5 Public rights of way improvements to aid walking and cycling (£50,000)
 - 1.1.6 Planning, training and promotional measures to assist walking and cycling (£475,000)
 - 1.1.7 Personalised travel planning pilot (£50,000)
 - 1.1.8 Liveable Neighbourhoods (£200,000)
 - 1.1.9 Accessibility improvements (£50,000)
 - 1.1.10 Parking schemes (£70,000)
 - 1.1.11 Air Quality Management programme (£90,000)
 - 1.1.12 Electric vehicle charging schemes and car clubs (£20,000)
- 1.2 Submitting bids to TfL for:
- 1.2.1 'Principal Road Renewal' funding totalling £1.074m;
 - 1.2.2 'Bridge Assessment and Strengthening' funding proposals totalling £6.878m in Appendix B of the report.

2. That the Executive Director – Place be delegated authority to make any further amendments to the Annual Spending Submission and decide upon and submit a bid for Liveable Neighbourhoods funding in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment.

AGENDA ITEM 9: Stage 1: Recommendations arising from Scrutiny

The Leader of the Council has delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the executive decisions set out below:

RESOLVED to receive the recommendations arising from the meetings of the Health and Social Care Scrutiny Sub-Committee (18 July 2017), the Children and Young People Scrutiny Sub-Committee (20 June 2017) and the Streets, Environment and Homes Scrutiny Sub-Committee (13 June 2017) and to provide a substantive response within two months (ie. at the next available Cabinet meeting on 20 November 2017)

AGENDA ITEM 10: Scrutiny Stage 2 - Response to Recommendations arising from Scrutiny and Overview Committee 24 May 2017

The Leader of the Council has delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the executive decisions set out below:

RESOLVED to approve the response reports and action plans attached to this report (at Appendix A) of the report and that these be reported to the Scrutiny and Overview Committee or relevant Sub-Committees.

AGENDA ITEM 11: Investing in our Borough

The Leader of the Council has delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the executive decisions set out below:

RESOLVED to note:

1.1.1 the list of decisions taken since the last meeting of Cabinet by the nominated Cabinet member in consultation with the Cabinet Member of Finance and Treasury and either the Leader or the Deputy Leader (statutory) under the Leaders delegated authority reference 18.17.LR.

1.1.2 the contracts over £500,000 in value anticipated to be awarded by the nominated Cabinet Member, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Treasury or, where the nominated Cabinet Member is the Cabinet Member for Finance and Treasury, in consultation with the Leader.

1.1.3 the list of delegated award decisions made by the Director of Commissioning and Improvement, between 15/06/2017 – 16/08/2017.

Notice date: 26/09/17