



Council

Wednesday, 24 July 2019

2.00 p.m.

**Council Chamber, Town Hall,
Moorgate Street, Rotherham. S60 2TH**

Rotherham
Metropolitan
Borough Council 

WELCOME TO TODAY'S MEETING

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The Council is composed of 63 Councillors, who are democratically accountable to the residents of their ward.

The Council Meeting is chaired by the Mayor, who will ensure that its business can be carried out efficiently and with regard to respecting the rights and responsibilities of Councillors and the interests of the community. The Mayor is the Borough's first citizen and is treated with respect by the whole Council, as should visitors and member of the public.

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COUNCIL

Wednesday, 24 July 2019 at 2.00 p.m.
Council Chamber, Town Hall, Moorgate Street, Rotherham. S60 2TH

THE MAYOR (Councillor Jenny Andrews)
DEPUTY MAYOR (Councillor Ian Jones)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE (Sharon Kemp)

MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

ANSTON AND WOODSETTS

IRELAND, Jonathan C.
JEPSON, Clive R.
WILSON, Katherine M.

KEPPEL

CLARK, Maggi
CUTTS, Dave
HAGUE, Paul

SITWELL

COWLES, Allen
SHORT Peter, G. J.
TURNER, Julie

BOSTON CASTLE

ALAM, Saghir
MCNEELY, Rose M.
YASSEEN, Taiba K.

MALTBY

BEAUMONT, Christine
PRICE, Richard
RUSHFORTH, Amy L.

SWINTON

CUSWORTH, Victoria
SANSOME, Stuart
WYATT, Kenneth J.

BRINSWORTH AND CATCLIFFE

BUCKLEY, Alan
CARTER, Adam
SIMPSON, Nigel G.

RAWMARSH

BIRD, Robert
MARRIOTT Sandra
SHEPPARD, David R.

VALLEY

ALBISTON, Kerry
REEDER, Kathleen
SENIOR, Jayne E.

DINNINGTON

MALLINDER, Jeanette M.
TWEED, Simon A.
VJESTICA, John

ROTHER VALE

ALLCOCK, Leon
BROOKES, Amy C.
WALSH, Robert J.

WALES

BECK, Dominic
WATSON, Gordon
WHYSALL, Jennifer

HELLABY

ANDREWS, Jennifer A.
CUTTS, Brian
TURNER, R. A. John

ROTHERHAM EAST

COOKSEY, Wendy
FENWICK-GREEN Deborah
KHAN, Tajamal

WATH

ATKIN, Alan
ELLIOT, Jayne C.
EVANS, Simon

HOLDERNESS

ELLIOTT, Michael S.
PITCHLEY, Lyndsay
TAYLOR, Robert P.

ROTHERHAM WEST

JARVIS, Patricia A.
JONES, Ian P.
KEENAN, Eve.

WICKERSLEY

ELLIS, Susan
HODDINOTT, Emma
READ, Chris

HOOBER

LELLIOTT, Denise
ROCHE, David J.
STEELE, Brian

SILVERWOOD

MARLES, Steven
NAPPER, Alan D.
RUSSELL, Gwendoline A.

WINGFIELD

ALLEN, Sarah A.
ELLIOTT, Robert W.
WILLIAMS, John

Council Meeting Agenda

Time and Date:-

Wednesday, 24 July 2019 at 2.00 p.m.

Venue:-

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1. ANNOUNCEMENTS

To consider any announcements by the Mayor in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 3(2)(ii).

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive the apologies of any Member who is unable to attend the meeting.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

Any communication received by the Mayor or Chief Executive which relates to a recommendation of the Cabinet or a committee which was received after the relevant meeting.

4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING (Pages 1 - 47)

To receive the record of proceedings of the annual meetings of the Council held on 17th and 22nd May, 2019 and to approve the accuracy thereof.

5. PETITIONS

To report on any petitions received by the Council received by the Council and receive statements in support of petitions in accordance with Petitions Scheme and Council Procedure Rule 13.

6. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To invite Councillors to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or personal interests they may have in any matter which is to be considered at this meeting, to confirm the nature of those interests and whether they intend to leave the meeting for the consideration of the item.

7. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

To receive questions from members of the public who may wish to ask a general question of the Mayor, Cabinet Member or the Chairman of a Committee in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12.

8. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Should it be necessary, in the opinion of the Mayor, to consider excluding the press and public from the meeting in relation to any items of urgent business on the grounds that private information is likely to be divulged.

There are no such items at the time of preparing this agenda.

9. LEADER OF THE COUNCIL'S STATEMENT

To receive a statement from the Leader of the Council in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 9.

10. MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEETING (Pages 48 - 69)

To note the minutes of the meetings of the Cabinet Meeting held on 20 May and 10 June 2019.

11. MEMBERSHIP OF POLITICAL GROUPS ON THE COUNCIL, POLITICAL BALANCE AND ENTITLEMENT TO SEATS (Pages 70 - 76)

To report on the establishment of political groups, the political balance of the Council and the entitlement of each group to seats on the authority's committees.

12. RECOMMENDATION FROM CABINET - COUNCIL PLAN REFRESH 2019-20 (Pages 77 - 119)

To consider a recommendation from Cabinet in respect of the Council Plan Refresh 2019-20.

13. RECOMMENDATION FROM CABINET - FINANCIAL OUTTURN 2018-19 (Pages 120 - 164)

To consider recommendations from Cabinet in respect of the Financial Outturn for 2018-19.

14. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2018-19 (Pages 165 - 197)

To receive and approve the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report for the 2018/19 municipal year.

15. CABINET RESPONSE TO SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATIONS - MODERN METHODS OF CONSTRUCTION (Pages 198 - 210)

To note the Cabinet's response to the recommendations arising from the scrutiny review of Modern Methods of Construction.

16. THRIVING NEIGHBOURHOODS - UPDATES FROM WARD COUNCILLORS (Pages 211 - 216)

To receive updates from ward councillors from Maltby, Rawmarsh and Rother Vale on the activities supporting Thriving Neighbourhoods across the Borough.

17. NOTICE OF MOTION - ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF COUNCIL HOUSING

This Council notes:-

- This year marks the centenary of The Housing Act of 1919, which made housing a national responsibility and enabled local authorities to build their own properties for the first time. These homes were given to families with a diverse variety of needs including veterans of the First World War.
- The then County Borough of Rotherham was one of the first Local Authorities in the country to use the powers granted in the Housing Act, building over 700 homes between 1919-1923. These homes were built to progressive design standards set out in the Tudor Walters report of 1918 and championed by Raymond Unwin; the Chief Architect of the Local Government Board who was born in Rotherham.
- The first major development completed by the then County Borough was East Dene, with the ground cut in 1919 and the first tenant of Rotherham occupying 1, First Avenue in April 1920.
- Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council is embarking on the biggest Council housing delivery programme for more than a generation with 253 homes for Council rent or share ownership in the current programme (of which 36 are already built) and at least 160 planned for the next three years.

This Council resolves:-

- To reaffirm our commitment to Council Housing and the benefits it still holds to thousands of people across Rotherham.
- To deliver our current £57 million housing development programme whilst developing future plans to meet demand.
- To increase the number of new homes in the Town Centre.
- To examine the opportunities to provide further homes in the borough presented by the government's decision to lift the borrowing cap on the Housing Revenue Account.
- To increase the number of care and support ready housing options available for Council rent.
- To work with local housing providers and seek partnerships in the private sector to help address key issues such as homelessness and specific care and support needs.

Mover:- Councillor Beck

Seconder:- Councillor Watson

18. HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD (Pages 217 - 224)

To receive and consider reports, minutes and recommendations of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

To confirm the minutes as a true record.

19. PLANNING BOARD (Pages 225 - 232)

To receive and consider reports, minutes and recommendations of the Planning Board.

To confirm the minutes as a true record.

20. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS TO DESIGNATED SPOKESPERSONS

To put questions, if any, to the designated Members on the discharge of functions of the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel, South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority, Barnsley, Doncaster, Rotherham and Sheffield Combined Authority and South Yorkshire Pensions Authority, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11(5).

21. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS TO CABINET MEMBERS AND CHAIRMEN

To put questions, if any, to Cabinet Members and Chairmen (or their representatives) under Council Procedure Rules 11(1) and 11(3).

22. URGENT ITEMS

Any other public items which the Mayor determines are urgent.



SHARON KEMP,
Chief Executive.

**The next meeting of the Council will be on
Wednesday 4 September 2019 at 2.00 p.m. at Rotherham Town Hall.**

COUNCIL MEETING
Friday, 17th May, 2019

Present:- Councillor Alan Buckley (in the Chair); Councillors Alam, Albiston, Allcock, Allen, The Mayor (Councillor Jenny Andrews), Atkin, Beaumont, Beck, Bird, Carter, Clark, Cooksey, Cowles, Cusworth, B. Cutts, Elliot, M. Elliott, R. Elliott, Ellis, Fenwick-Green, Hoddinott, Ireland, Jarvis, Jones, Keenan, Khan, Lelliott, McNeely, Mallinder, Marriott, Napper, Pitchley, Price, Read, Roche, Rushforth, Russell, Sansome, Sheppard, Simpson, Steele, Taylor, John Turner, Tweed, Vjestica, Walsh, Watson, Williams, Whysall, Wyatt and Yasseen.

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174. ELECTION OF CHAIR

Resolved:- That Councillor Jenny Andrews be elected Chairman of the Rotherham Borough Council for the ensuing Municipal Year and that she be entitled to the style of Mayor by virtue of Section 245(1) of the Local Government Act 1972.

Mover:- Councillor Rushforth

Seconder:- Councillor Walsh

Councillor Andrews thereupon made and subscribed the statutory declaration of acceptance of office.

(Councillor Andrews assumed the Chair)

175. VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR (COUNCILLOR ALAN BUCKLEY)

Resolved:- That the Council tender its sincere thanks to Councillor Alan Buckley for the excellent manner in which she has carried out all his duties as Mayor of the Metropolitan Borough of Rotherham and that the best thanks of this Council be recorded for the kind and admirable way in which Mrs. Sandra Buckley performed the duties of Mayoress.

Mover:- Councillor Taylor

Seconder:- Councillor McNeely

176. PRESENTATION OF THE PAST MAYOR'S PENDANTS

The Mayor asked the Council to join her in offering her sincere thanks to Councillor Alan Buckley for the excellent manner in which he has carried out all his duties as Mayor and formally presented him and the Mayoress with their past Mayor's pendants.

177. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR

Resolved:- That Councillor Ian Jones be elected Vice-Chairman of the Rotherham Borough Council for the ensuing Municipal Year and that he be entitled to the style of Deputy Mayor by virtue of section 245(1) of the Local Government Act 1972.

Mover:- Councillor Clark

Seconder:- Councillor Jarvis

Councillor Jones thereupon made and subscribed the statutory declaration of acceptance of office.

178. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors D. Cutts, Evans, Hague, Jepson, Marles, Reeder, Senior, Short and Julie Turner.

179. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest to report.

180. APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR'S CADETS

The Mayor formally announced the names of the Mayor's Cadets for the Municipal and Civic Year 2019/20 to the Council:-

- Air Force Cadets (218 Squadron) - Flight Sergeant Mark Newbould.
- Sea Cadets – Able Cadet Luke Kelsall.
- Army Cadets – Cadet Corporal Sean Whitehouse.

The Mayor invited the Mayor's Cadets down individually to receive their Mayor's Cadet badge and framed certificate.

COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, 22nd May, 2019

Present:- (in the Chair); Councillors The Mayor (Councillor Jenny Andrews), Alam, Albiston, Allen, Atkin, Beaumont, Beck, Bird, Brookes, Buckley, Carter, Clark, Cooksey, Cowles, B. Cutts, Elliot, M. Elliott, R. Elliott, Ellis, Fenwick-Green, Hoddinott, Ireland, Jarvis, Jepson, Jones, Keenan, Khan, Lelliott, McNeely, Mallinder, Marles, Marriott, Napper, Price, Read, Reeder, Roche, Rushforth, Russell, Sansome, Senior, Sheppard, Short, Simpson, Steele, Taylor, John Turner, Tweed, Vjestica, Walsh, Watson, Williams, Wilson, Wyatt and Yasseen.

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181. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor offered her congratulations to Councillor Marles on the birth of his first child.

182. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Allcock, Cusworth, D. Cutts, Hague, Pitchley, Julie Turner and Whysall.

183. COMMUNICATIONS

There were no communications received.

184. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

Resolved:- That the minutes of the meeting of Council held on 27th February, 2019 be approved for signature by the Mayor.

Mover:- Councillor Read

Seconder:- Councillor Watson

185. PETITIONS

The Mayor reported receipt of two petitions, which had not met the threshold for consideration by Council, and would be referred to the relevant directorate for a response to be prepared:-

- Containing 177 signatures calling on the Council to reinstate the public right of way along the towpath from the town centre to Parkgate.

Mrs. Orvis addressed the Council as part of the presentation of the petition.

- Containing 23 signatures calling on the Chief Executive to write a letter to the person appointed as Interim Deputy Strategic Director of CYPs on 6 April 2015 asking her to answer six questions that adult survivors of CSE in Rotherham want answers to.

186. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Legal Adviser referred to Minute No. 203 (Staffing Committee Minutes and Recommendations) confirming that those Members connected to Unison were not required to declare any interests if it was already included on their Register of Interests.

There were no Declarations of Interest to report.

187. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

(1) Mr. Harron was unable to attend the meeting so would be provided with a written response to his question.

(2) Mr. Reynolds asked what was the total sum, year by year, of financial support provided by RMBC to MAGNA to date and he also asked that the total cost plus for example loans, gifts, written off debts etc., plus any interest charged, accrued or cancelled be included.

Councillor Alam confirmed there have been no new loans to Magna since 2015. The current total value of loans to Magna was £440k with the interest outstanding of £26,000.

No debts have been written off and no interest had been cancelled. There was no other financial support provided to Magna apart from the loans already mentioned.

In a supplementary question Mr. Reynolds asked of the £440k outstanding what plans were in place to recover the funds and over what period and also what penalties were in place for missed payments.

Councillor Alam confirmed an agreement was in place with Magna about what they would be repaying over the next few years. There were no cancellations of any payments.

(3) Mr. Thirlwall asked could the Leader of the Opposition and the Chair of Standards and Ethics Committee tell him what actions they have taken to encourage UKIP Councillors to stop breaking the law and properly complete their Register of Interests.

Councillor McNeely pointed out the Constitution did not allow for questions to be put to the Leader of the Opposition at Council so she, as Chair of the Standards and Ethics Committee, would answer.

As previously stated in answers to questions of this nature previously it was a matter for each individual Councillor to be personally responsible for ensuring compliance with the law in respect of their Register of Interests and all Councillors have been reminded of their responsibilities in this regard in writing as part of a recent Member update.

If any individual had concerns in respect of the accuracy of a Member's Register of interest they should report their concerns to the Council's Standards and Ethics Committee or the Police for investigation. Any allegations in this regard could potentially be a criminal matter.

In a supplementary question Mr. Thirlwall expressed his confusion that the Leader of the Opposition who received an allowance of £8,000 a year could not answer questions about the members that he led.

In October, 2018 and again in January, 2019 he named a number of people that had not completed their Register of Interests. From the list one of them had completed their Register of Interest, two have been referred to the Monitoring Officer for dubious explanations of why they had not registered their properties or where they lived. Another Member had still not completed his Register of Interest at all, even though it was known he was a property owner.

As a lay person Mr. Thirlwall was not able to investigate once the nominations have closed so was unable to find out where candidates said they were living at the time of the election and after that time they were destroyed.

Mr. Thirlwall, therefore, asked if this information could be looked at and at the same time he was aware of something to do with "Common Purpose". He also asked if any of the Elected Members were members of Common Purpose should it have been included on their Register of Interests. It would also be helpful if the Chief Executive could confirm if any officers were members of Common Purpose.

Councillor McNeely reiterated that it was only when Members had a change of circumstances they were likely to amend their Register of interests. She took on board Mr. Thirlwall's comments and pointed out that should he have any concerns over any individual then there was no reason why he could not put that forward via the Complaints Procedure.

As a Parish Councillor Mr. Thirlwall was fully aware of the Code of Conduct, but Councillor McNeely would meet up with the Monitoring Officer and chase up the issues on Mr. Thirlwall's behalf.

188. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved:- That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, that should the Mayor deem if necessary the public be excluded from the meeting on the grounds that any items involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of schedule 12(A) of such Act indicated, as now amended by the Local Government (Access to information) (Variation) Order 2006.

189. LEADER OF THE COUNCIL'S STATEMENT

The Leader wanted to offer his congratulations to firstly, Councillor Andrews as the new Mayor and on the civic parade which was the biggest civic parade seen for some years.

Secondly, Reverend Phillip Bashford had now taken over as the Vicar at Rotherham Minster and performed the Mayor's Civic Service.

Finally, Una Jennings had become the South Yorkshire Police District Commander for Rotherham.

The Leader went on to refer to the Ofsted focused visit recently which looked into permanence planning for children and young people. This was an issue that was important to Members. Ofsted were complimentary in their findings saying the Council had demonstrated a strong service which had significantly improved. The Council, of course remained committed to improve further and wished to send on congratulations and thanks to the staff who worked so hard to make that possible look after the most vulnerable children.

In the period where Members could ask questions of the Leader's statement, Councillor Sansome also offered his congratulations, but drew particular attention to the announcement and concerns about British Steel's insolvency and the feelings around this issue. He asked if the Leader would like to comment, particularly for those affected in North Lincolnshire and Teeside.

The Leader expressed his concern about the difficulties and the pain of people losing their jobs and the impact this had on communities. The impact on these people were in Rotherham's thoughts and prayers. These were worrying times for British industry and political choices needed to be made by the Government to secure those jobs before the country got into unknown territory.

190. MINUTES OF THE CABINET

Resolved:- That the reports, recommendations and minutes of the meetings of the Cabinet held on 18th March and 15th April, 2019, be received.

With regards to Minute No. 129 of the meeting held on 18th March, 2019 Councillor Reeder asked if the proposed Public Space Protection Order was yet in place and was advised by Councillor Hoddinott that the decision that was made at that meeting was to go out to consultation. The consultation period had now concluded and the service were working very closely with the Ward Councillors to look at the outcomes. Over the next few weeks a report would be produced and submitted to Cabinet for a decision on whether to put the Order in place.

Mover:- Councillor Read

Second:- Councillor Watson

191. RECOMMENDATION FROM CABINET - ADOPTION OF SCHEDULE 3 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1982 RELATING TO 'SEXUAL ENTERTAINMENT VENUES'

Further to Minute No. 128 of the Cabinet held on 18th March, 2019 consideration was given to the report which outlined a proposal to adopt the amended Schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 that classified lap dancing clubs and similar establishments, as 'sexual entertainment venues'.

The report set out in detail the outcome of the consultation with 77% in agreement that lap dancing clubs should be properly regulated.

By adopting these regulations the Council would be able to develop a policy which took into consideration people's concerns about locations, the number of establishments in Rotherham and about the treatment of workers.

An Equality Impact Assessment had been included which referred to gender inequality and why better regulation was important.

Various Members offered their support to the report whilst concurring with the comments for better regulation and conditions to support the welfare of the workers in the industry.

Resolved:- (1) That the powers contained within Schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 (as amended) be adopted by Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council.

(2) That the appointed day for the provisions of Schedule 3 to come into effect be one month and one day, 24th June, 2019, from this resolution being made.

(3) That authority to discharge the adopted functions in relation to individual licences of Schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 be delegated to the Licensing Board.

Mover:- Councillor Hoddinott

Second:- Councillor Read

192. RESPONSE TO OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATIONS - ADULT RESIDENTIAL AND NURSING CARE HOMES

Consideration was given to the report which set out in detail the response to the recommendations from the scrutiny workshop undertaken in April, 2018 by the Health Select Commission to consider residential and nursing care home for adults aged over 65. The purpose of the workshop was to consider progress in bringing about improvements to safety, quality and effectiveness in the sector.

Under the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure rules, the Cabinet was required to respond to any recommendations made by scrutiny and this report was submitted to meet that requirement.

Councillor B. Cutts expressed his concern about the closure of homes specifically for children and young people when there was demand for the provision. However, he was advised that closure was based on the provision not being safe.

In his right to reply Councillor Roche confirmed that over the last few years the Council had not closed any adult care homes and that standards across the borough had been raised. Where there had been concerns in privately owned homes residents on placement via the Council had been moved.

Resolved:- That the Cabinet response to the recommendations of the Scrutiny Workshop: Adult Residential and Nursing Care Homes, as set out in Appendix A, be noted.

Mover:- Councillor Roche

Seconder:- Councillor Read

193. RESPONSE TO OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATIONS - ROTHERHAM YOUTH CABINET'S CHILDREN'S COMMISSIONER TAKEOVER CHALLENGE SPOTLIGHT REVIEW ON WORK EXPERIENCE

Further to Minute No. 37 of the meeting of the Council held on 25th July, 2018, consideration was given to the report which set out in detail the response to the findings and recommendations from a spotlight review undertaken by Rotherham Youth Cabinet under the auspices of the Children's Commissioner's Takeover Challenge regarding improving access to work experience opportunities for all young people in Rotherham.

The Council fully supported the Youth Cabinet to influence Government to support schools to deliver high quality work experience. In Rotherham the Council would work with partners, via the Employment and Skills Board and Rotherham Education Strategic Partnership to implement the Employment and Skills Plan and would endeavour to keep the Youth

Cabinet fully updated.

Under the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules, the Cabinet was required to respond to any recommendations made by scrutiny and this report was submitted to meet that requirement.

Resolved:- That the Cabinet's response to the spotlight review of work experience under taken by the Rotherham Youth Cabinet be noted.

Mover:- Councillor Watson

Seconder:- Councillor Lelliott

194. RESPONSE TO OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATIONS - SPOTLIGHT REVIEW OF THE OFSTED INSPECTION OF ADULT COMMUNITY LEARNING

Further to Minute No. 36 of the meeting of Council held on 25th July, 2018, consideration was given to the report which set out the response to the findings and recommendations of a spotlight review undertaken by the Improving Lives Select Commission in March, 2018 which followed the Ofsted Inspection of Adult Community Learning in June 2017.

The purpose of the review was to seek assurance that there was a clear understanding of the issues leading to the inadequate judgement in June 2017; that the issues arising from the inspection have been addressed and that there were clear plans in place to ensure that adult learners have pathways to secure employment or skills training. The conclusions and recommendations made by Members were based on information gathered from the spotlight review and examination of related documentation.

Under the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules, the Cabinet was required to respond to any recommendations made by scrutiny and the enclosed response was agreed on 15th April, 2019.

Councillor Clark thanked all those involved in this review and the support and co-operation of its key players.

Resolved:- That the Cabinet's response to the spotlight review following the Ofsted Inspection of Adult Community Learning and the up-to-date position be noted.

Mover:- Councillor Watson

Seconder:- Councillor Read

195. ANNUAL REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF THE CONSTITUTION

Consideration was given to the report which outlined how good governance had been a core tenet of the Council's improvement journey in recent years. The Constitution had been subject to external review and significant changes have been made to the way in which proposals were developed by Members and officers and how decisions were made across the Authority.

As the Constitution was the document that empowered the Authority to discharge its statutory and discretionary responsibilities, it was important that its provisions were reviewed and changes made to strengthen the Council's governance and accountability arrangements.

This report, therefore, having been considered by the Constitution Working Group, was submitted to enable the Council to approve the Constitution for the 2019/20 municipal year and adopt amendments to various provisions which were set out in detail as part of the report and specifically:-

- Public questions to Overview and Scrutiny Management Board relating to items on the agenda.
- Procedure for the election of Mayor-Elect and Deputy Mayor-Elect.
- Questions on minutes reported into Council.
- Increasing the word limit for questions to Council for both Members and the public.
- Maximising the number of Member questions to Council.
- Amendments to the Petitions Scheme.
- Amendments to the Employment Procedure Rules and Officer Code of Conduct.
- Amendments to the Terms of Reference for the Employment Appeals Panel, Audit Committee, Health and Wellbeing Board, Staffing Committee and Chief Officer Disciplinary Panel.
- Delegated authority for minor amendments to the Constitution.

Members sought clarity on the number of questions and if this was as a whole to spokespersons and cabinet members/chairs and the majority supported and welcomed the amendments to the Constitution as proposed.

Councillor Carter was unable to offer his support believing the amendments stifled public debate and found the changes unacceptable.

Resolved:- (1) That the Constitution of Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council be adopted for the 2019-20 municipal year.

(2) That the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 14.2 be amended so as to enable public questions to be submitted to the Chairperson of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board or Select Commissions in respect of matters to be considered on the agenda for the meeting at which they are in attendance.

(3) That a new Council Procedure Rule 8(2) be inserted to establish a procedure for the designation of a Mayor-Elect and Deputy Mayor-Elect at the final meeting of the Council in a municipal year.

(4) That a new Council Procedure Rule 10(10) be inserted to establish a procedure for Members to ask questions in respect of the minutes reported to Council of meetings of the Cabinet and committees and for such questions to be responded to by the Leader of the Council, relevant Cabinet Member or Chairperson.

(5) That the word limit for general questions submitted by Members under Council Procedure Rule 11 be increased from 50 words to 60 words.

(6) That Council Procedure Rule 11(8) be amended to provide for the number of verbal questions asked under Council Procedure Rule 11 to be limited to a maximum of ten verbal questions per Member, with an equal number of supplementary questions, with written responses to be provided for all other questions submitted.

(7) That the word limit for questions submitted by members of the public under Council Procedure Rule 12 be increased from 50 words to 60 words.

(8) That the Council's Petition Scheme be amended to:-

- (a) Require that petitions be addressed to the Council, rather than specific Members or officers.
- (b) Define vexatious petitions and how a petition will be deemed vexatious by the Monitoring Officer
- (c) Remove the provision for Lead Petitioners to request the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board to review responses to petitions and confirm that such requests should be referred to the Council's Complaints Procedures.

(8) That Officer Employment Procedure Rules and Officer Code of Conduct be amended, as set out in Appendix 3.

(9) That the terms of reference of the Employment Appeals Panel, Audit Committee, Health and Wellbeing Board, Staffing Committee and Chief Officer Disciplinary Panel be amended, as set out in Appendix 4.

(10) That authority be delegated to the Monitoring Officer and Head of Democratic Services to make any minor consequential amendments to the Constitution arising from any changes made in the recommendations above.

Mover:- Councillor Read

Seconder:- Councillor Cowles

196. MEMBERSHIP OF POLITICAL GROUPS ON THE COUNCIL, POLITICAL BALANCE AND ENTITLEMENT TO SEATS

Consideration was given to the report which set out Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 which placed on Local Authorities the duty to allocate seats to political groups and set out the

principles to be followed when determining such allocation following formal notification of the establishment of political groups in operation on the council.

There was a requirement to annually review the entitlement of the political groups to seats on the committees of the Council and the allocation of seats must follow two principles:-

- (a) Balance must be achieved across the total number of available seats on committees; and
- (b) Balance must be achieved on each individual committee or body where seats are available

There were presently two political groups in operation on the Council – the Labour Group and the UK Independence Party Group – with two non-aligned Councillors (members who are not in a political group).

There were 149 seats available on committees, boards and panels and under the calculation the Labour Group was entitled to 114 seats and the UK Independence Group entitled to 31. This left four seats which could not be given to members of the political groups and should be allocated to the two non-aligned Councillors.

The appointment of Members to committees, boards and panels, and the appointment of Chairs and Vice-Chairs were set out on the schedule attached to the Mayor's letter.

Councillor Read proposed and Councillor Watson seconded an amendment to the schedule:-

"That approval be given to the appointment of Members to joint committees, as set out on the schedule to be tabled at the meeting, with the exception of the nomination of Cllr Brian Cutts and that the Leader of the UK Independence Party Group be invited to propose an alternative nomination from his political group to serve on the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel."

This was based on Councillor Brian Cutts appearing before the Standards and Ethics Committee who concluded that he had been in breach of the Members' Code and nothing had since changed. On this basis, as this was not a temporary suspension, it was surprising to see him being nominated again by the Opposition.

Councillor Cowles had attended the same equalities and diversity training recommended to Councillor Cutts and believed his nomination to serve the Police and Crime Panel was appropriate as was membership of other Councillors in the Chamber.

Councillor Brian Cutts was also surprised and unsure as to why he had been removed from the Police and Crime Panel in the first place.

Councillor John Turner had listened to the comments and sympathised with his party member and voiced his own views about the law around sexuality, equal rights and free speech.

Councillor Watson was disappointed in Councillor Turner's view on the law and equal rights, but offered his full support to the amendment.

Councillor Hoddinott supported the amendment. The person appointed to the Police and Crime Panel represented all residents across Rotherham regardless of their background, their race or their sexual orientation. Residents needed to have the confidence in the person representing the Council had a full understanding of equality issues.

Councillor Carter supported the amendment and wanted to put children first. He had voted in favour of the motion to remove Councillor Cutts previously, but believed his reappointment was a little premature.

In his right to reply the Leader again referred to the recommendations from the Standards and Ethics Committee and the comments made by Councillor Cutts, which were not isolated as there had been a pattern of homophobic comments over a period of years.

Nothing had changed since Councillor Cutts was removed from the Police and Crime Panel so he urged the UKIP opposition to nominate an alternative member as it left the Police and Crime Panel unrepresented by the opposition group.

The vote was put for the amendment and carried.

Resolved:- (1) That the operation of two political groups on the Council and the detail of their designated Leaders be noted:-

- (a) Labour Group – Councillor Chris Read (Leader of the Council).
- (b) UK Independence Party Group – Councillor Allen Cowles (Leader of the Majority Opposition Group).

(2) That the entitlement of the membership of the political groups be agreed and such entitlements be reflected in Council's appointments of members to committees.

(3) That the appointment of Members to committees, boards and panels, and the appointment of Chairs and Vice-Chairs, as set out on the schedule be approved as follows:-

EXECUTIVE

Leader of the Council	Councillor Read
Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet	Councillor Watson
Member for Children's Services and Neighbourhood Working	
Cabinet Member for Corporate Services & Finance	Councillor Alam
Cabinet Member for Cleaner, Greener Communities	Councillor Allen
Cabinet Member for Housing	Councillor Beck
Cabinet Member for Waste, Roads and Community Safety	Councillor Hoddinott
Cabinet Member for Jobs and the Local Economy	Councillor Lelliott
Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health	Councillor Roche

REGULATORY BOARDS**Standards and Ethics Committee:-
(8 Council Members)**

Councillor Clark (Vice-Chair)	Councillor Sheppard
Councillor Ireland	Councillor Short
Councillor McNeely (Chair)	Councillor Simpson
	Councillor Vjestica

Independent Members:

Mrs. A. Bingham	Mrs. K. Penny
Mr. P. Edler	Mrs. J. Porter
Mrs. M. Evers	

Parish Council Representatives:

Councillor D. Bates	Councillor R. Swann
Councillor D. Rowley	

**Licensing Board:-
(21 Members)**

Councillor Albiston	Councillor Reeder
Councillor Beaumont (Vice-Chair)	Councillor Russell
Councillor Buckley	Councillor Sheppard
Councillor Clark	Councillor Steele
Councillor Ellis (Chair)	Councillor Taylor
Councillor Hague	Councillor Vjestica
Councillor Jones	Councillor Williams
Councillor Mallinder	Councillor Wyatt

Councillor Marriott
Councillor McNeely
Councillor Napper

(One non-aligned
Vacancy)

Licensing Committee
(15 Members drawn from Licensing Board)

Councillor Albiston	Councillor Napper
Councillor Beaumont (Vice-Chair)	Councillor Reeder
Councillor Buckley	Councillor Russell
Councillor Clark	Councillor Steele
Councillor Ellis (Chair)	Councillor Taylor
Councillor Hague	Councillor Vjestica
Councillor Jones	
Councillor McNeely	

(One non-aligned
Vacancy)*

Planning Board:-
(15 Members)

Councillor Atkin	Councillor Steele
Councillor Bird	Councillor John Turner
Councillor D. Cutts	Councillor Tweed
Councillor M. Elliott	Councillor Walsh
Councillor Jarvis	Councillor Whysall
Councillor Sansome	Councillor Williams (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Sheppard (Chair)	

(One Labour Vacancy)*

Substitutes

Councillor Khan
Councillor Mallinder
Councillor Short

Audit Committee:-
(5 Members)

Councillor Cowles	Councillor Wilson
Councillor Vjestica	Councillor Wyatt (Chair)
Councillor Walsh (Vice-Chair)	Independent Member
	Mr. B. Coleman

SELECT COMMISSIONS

Overview and Scrutiny Management Board:-

Councillor Cowles (Vice-Chair)
 Councillor Cusworth
 Councillor Jarvis
 Councillor Keenan
 Councillor Mallinder
 Councillor Napper
 Councillor Short
 Councillor Steele (Chair)
 Councillor Taylor
 Councillor Tweed
 Councillor Walsh
 Councillor Wyatt

(12 Members)

Health:-

Councillor Albiston
 Councillor Andrews
 Councillor Bird
 Councillor Brookes
 Councillor Cooksey
 Councillor R. Elliott
 Councillor Ellis
 Councillor Evans
 Councillor Jarvis
 Councillor Keenan (Chair)
 Councillor Short (Vice-Chair)
 Councillor John Turner
 Councillor Vjestica
 Councillor Walsh
 Councillor Williams
 Councillor Wilson
 Councillor Yasseen
 (One Non-Aligned Vacancy)

(18 Members)

Improving Lives:-

Councillor Atkin
 Councillor Beaumont
 Councillor Buckley
 Councillor Clark
 Councillor Cusworth (Chair)
 Councillor Elliot

Councillor Fenwick-Green
Councillor Hague
Councillor Ireland
Councillor Jarvis (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Khan
Councillor Marles
Councillor Marriott
Councillor Pitchley
Councillor Price
Councillor Senior
Councillor Short
Councillor Julie Turner

(18 Members)

Improving Places:-

Councillor Atkin
Councillor Buckley
Councillor B. Cutts
Councillor Elliot
Councillor Jepson
Councillor Jones
Councillor Khan
Councillor Mallinder (Chair)
Councillor McNeely
Councillor Reeder
Councillor Rushforth
Councillor Sansome
Councillor Sheppard
Councillor Taylor
Councillor Tweed (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Julie Turner
Councillor Whysall
Councillor Wyatt

(18 Members)

(4) That approval be given to the appointment of Members to joint committees, as set out on the schedule to be tabled at the meeting as follows:-

SHEFFIELD CITY REGION COMBINED AUTHORITY

Councillor Read (Deputy – Councillor Watson)

SOUTH YORKSHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

Councillors Buckley and Taylor

SOUTH YORKSHIRE PENSIONS AUTHORITY

Councillors Atkin and Yasseen

SOUTH YORKSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

Councillor Sansome plus Vacancy

Mover:- Councillor Alam

Seconder:- Councillor Beck

197. DESIGNATION OF MONITORING OFFICER

Consideration was given to the report which detailed how the Council had received the resignation of the Assistant Director of Legal Services, who was also appointed as the Monitoring Officer under Section 5 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.

This report, therefore, recommended that the Council designate the Head of Legal Services, Bal Nahal, as the Monitoring Officer to ensure compliance with the requirements of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 until such a time as a permanent appointment was made to the post of Assistant Director of Legal Services.

Resolved:- (1) That in accordance with Section 5 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 that the Head of Legal Services be designated as the Council's Interim Monitoring Officer until such time a permanent appointment has been made.

(2) That the functions of the Assistant Director of Legal Services detailed within the Articles of the Constitution be undertaken by the Head of Legal Services, as Interim Monitoring Officer, until such time as a permanent appointment has been made.

(3) That the thanks and very best wishes of the Council be conveyed to the former Assistant Director of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer by the Mayor.

Mover:- Councillor Alam

Seconder:- Councillor Read

198. THRIVING NEIGHBOURHOODS - UPDATES FROM WARD COUNCILLORS

Further to Minute No. 55 of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 19th November, 2018, consideration was given to the annual Ward Updates for Brinsworth and Catcliffe, Hooper and Keppel as part of the Thriving Neighbourhoods Strategy.

The Strategy signalled a new way of working for the Council both for Members and for staff and covered every Ward in the borough delivered through Ward Plans developed with residents to address local issues and opportunities. Ward Members would be supported by the neighbourhood team and would work with officers and residents from a range of organisations to respond to residents.

Councillors Buckley, Carter and Simpson, on behalf of the Brinsworth and Catcliffe Ward, gave an update on their ward priorities.

Councillor Carter described how he and his Ward Councillors had consulted on proposals on which to use their core budget and the many events that had been attended. He was proud of the agreed priorities which residents had identified such as fly tipping hotspots and litter around the villages.

As a result anti-fly tipping cameras had been purchased through the Ward budgets and they were proving to be successful.

The Ward was also working with partner organisations such as the friends of St George's Churchyard, which had been so overgrown and neglected and had fallen into disrepair.

Councillor Carter particularly enjoyed the local Remembrance Day service and as a junior doctor himself he was proud to have been involved with partnership proposals to bring forward the installation of a new defibrillator that was installed in Catcliffe, which may help save someone's life.

The Ward had fantastic heritage and was home to the Kiln amongst other things and Members were encouraging collaboration with the Area Housing Panel to look at match funding to provide a power supply, both inside and outside of the Kiln to host community events such as the Christmas nativity.

Councillor Simpson described the fantastic local knowledge for local needs and the important community work that Councillors were involved in, such as voluntary work, listening to lonely people, suicide support and help with youth work.

He was proud to be involved in the suggested enhancements in and around the town centre along with tourism possibilities of leisure cycling and family walks to and from Rother Valley Country Park.

Councillor Buckley echoed the comments of his Ward colleagues and referred Members to the Ward Plan that had been circulated with the agenda. The Plan was succinct and was aspirational. It outlined some of the current achievements, but he wanted to reflect on the process which was working well.

Having been involved in the initial Working Party it was rewarding to hear over this year so many positive reports from Ward Members and how they were engaging more with their local communities. However, there was still room for development.

His own Ward had proactive Parish Councils, which had been welcome in moving forward a number of joint working projects. However, this had also created a number of problems as the lines of responsibility had

become blurred. He wished to point out that whilst Ward Members were active they could not always take the credit for projects such as the new centre or the proposed new library. These had been led by the Parish Councils over number of years.

Councillor Buckley liked to think that as Ward Councillors he and his colleagues could continue to address and improve conditions for constituents when it came to deciding on annual budgets.

Councillors Lelliott Roche and Steele, on behalf of the Hoover Ward, gave an update on their Ward Plan.

Councillor Lelliott referred Members back to the Plan in the agenda pack and the good work that was taking place in the Ward and the art of being a good Ward Councillor was actually about being a representative to the community and working closely, the links and partnerships that were built. Nothing could be achieved in isolation.

Councillor Lelliott described the excellent work and the mapping that had taken place with individuals and community groups during surgeries and coffee mornings. The Ward was clearly benefitting from the litter picking and the collaboration with Wath, West Melton and Brampton litter picking group who had come together as volunteers to tackle litter in both Hoover Ward and Wath Ward. Hoover Ward Councillors have funded litter picking equipment for the group. The group regularly carry out litter picks in the areas of Brampton, West Melton and Upper Haugh. Consideration was also being given as to whether to take this a little further into Swinton.

Volunteers in the area were commended for the individual work they were doing and how they were making a difference to people's lives. It was not just about giving young people opportunities it was providing the community with places to tackle issues like senior citizens' loneliness.

Councillor Lelliott was privileged and proud to have made a difference in her Ward.

Councillor Roche described his Labour Ward as diverse, but stressed the importance of consulting with local organisations and people. He was pleased to have been involved with general issues like traffic problems and the school park.

The Ward had concentrated on particular areas and consulted the community and the Parish Council to ensure issues were dealt with effectively and quickly brought to attention so support could be given wherever possible.

This had included a recent meeting with three village organisations and local residents to particularly talk about traffic issues in the area. This was ongoing and comments were awaited back from officers before this could be fed back.

The residents of Harley and Wentworth had been engaged with to agree Ward priorities. Harley Mission Rooms had also recently been acquired and refurbished by a newly established Trust. Ward Councillors were keen to help and funded equipment and fixtures to enable them to set up a new community café which was open to all the community and a variety of community activities were now hosted.

Moving forward Ward Members were conscious that due to the diversity and spread in the Ward it was not always possible to come together in a central hub, but consultation events would be spread around the Ward.

Hoover Ward was proud that it was improving the local environment, addressing social isolation and loneliness, increasing participation within the local community, reducing crime and anti-social behaviour and providing more facilities and activities for young people and families and shared this through a Facebook page.

Councillor Steele echoed many of the comments from his colleagues, but described how Ward budgets were being used to support and improve the local area that had been neglected. This was a rural area, but Members were actively talking about what could be facilitated for the betterment of residents.

Traffic congestion was an issue in certain areas and discussions were taking place with the Police to make sure people were safe.

It was important to keep communication alive in the Ward and how little support could go a long way. The word about the small grants available was now spreading. Councillor Steele was proud of the work taking place.

Councillor Clark, on behalf of the Keppel Ward, referred to the Ward priorities, and was proud to present this report as she took full responsibility for its content. Over the past twelve months she had been extremely busy with more engagement with local groups as well as doing much more joint working with PCSO's.

Initially she had been wary of the new way of neighbourhood working when it was first introduced, but had seen how it had worked for her.

She referred to the report attached to the agenda and the content which had seen two Dragons' Dens events; one in Kimberworth Park and one in Thorpe Hesley where local groups pitched for community leadership funding for their projects. The first Community Awards presentation had also been hosted in this three year term. All were really well attended by representatives and supporters from the many groups in the area, who were now interacting more with one another.

The Ward Plan had supported the Millmoor Junior Football Academy with shelters and kit, which supported many young people across the borough.

Residents in a particular area of Thorpe Hesley had also asked if they could have the Father Christmas float visit children in the area. After discussions if this could be provided by the Ward, Wortley Rotary supported the request and a visit was made on Christmas Eve.

Members were also involved and lobbied to keep the redundant Thorpe Hesley aged persons building for community use. After advertising this twice the community group, Artworks, chose to take over the building. This not-for-profit creative arts organisation inspired and helped adults with learning difficulties to achieve their potential and develop important life skills through creative workshops and placements.

Artworks were an asset to the community and had drawn down grant funding to completely refurbish the property which would soon be available for community use. The banner downstairs in the John Smith Room was made by Artworks.

As a result of better neighbourhood working Ward Members had a faster and more professional way to respond to community concerns and have held a number of community meetings with PCSOs in attendance responding to public requests.

A number of Community Speed watch events and traffic counts have been held following on from issues raised by residents and a mobile illuminated speed sign had been purchased which was moved around the area.

The other Keppel Ward Members were unable to be present today and they had their own personal problems that had prevented from being as active as they may have liked. Councillor Clark wanted to pass on her best wishes and hoped they were well.

The Mayor opened up meeting to any questions other Members may have on the reports that had been provided.

Councillor Hoddinott wished to place on record her thanks actually to Councillor Clark alone and for the work she had done with Artworks reflected in the banner downstairs. Councillor Clark was a big advocate of women's rights and women Councillors and this came through in the project that was created and brought into the Town Hall with the permanent reminder of 100 years of women getting the first votes. Councillor Clark was commended for her engagement in the Ward and bringing this back into the Town Hall.

In his right to reply Councillor Watson welcomed the excellent neighbourhood working that was taking place in Wards.

Resolved:- That the Ward updates be received and the contents noted.

Mover:- Councillor Watson

Second:- Councillor Read

199. STANDARDS AND ETHICS COMMITTEE

Resolved:- That the reports, recommendation and minutes of the meeting of the Standards and Ethics Committee be adopted.

Mover:- Councillor McNeely

Second:- Councillor Clark

200. AUDIT COMMITTEE

Resolved:- That the reports, recommendation and minutes of the meeting of the Audit Committee be adopted.

Mover:- Councillor Wyatt

Second:- Councillor Walsh

201. HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

Resolved:- That the reports, recommendation and minutes of the meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board be adopted.

Mover:- Councillor Roche

Second:- Councillor Mallinder

202. PLANNING BOARD

Resolved:- That the reports, recommendation and minutes of the meetings of the Planning Board be adopted.

Mover:- Councillor Sheppard

Second:- Councillor Williams

203. STAFFING COMMITTEE

Resolved:- That the reports, recommendation and minutes of the meeting of the Staffing Committee be adopted.

Mover:- Councillor Alam

Second:- Councillor Read

204. LICENSING

Resolved:- That the reports, recommendation and minutes of the meetings of the Licensing Board Sub-Committee and Licensing Sub-Committee be adopted.

Mover:- Councillor Ellis

Second:- Councillor Beaumont

205. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS TO DESIGNATED SPOKESPERSONS

(1) Councillor R. Elliott asked would the designated spokesperson confirm his opposition to the latest dangerous proposal from SYFR to reduce the manning of every pump from five firefighters to four and would he vehemently argue against this on the Council's behalf whilst at the same time lobbying for the return of the second pump?

Councillor Taylor confirmed back in 2012 as a member of the Fire Authority he objected vehemently to the removal of the second pump in Rotherham and Barnsley and he would continue. Once the pump had been removed from the establishment from his own experience Councillor Taylor believed this would be very difficult to return.

The only way it would be returned would be for operational necessity, which must be underpinned by robust evidence alongside sufficient funding to enable it.

If those circumstances did occur he would lobby, but regrettably over the last year he had not seen anything on the Authority that would believe that would change. Councillor Elliott referred to the proposal as dangerous, but this was another example of forced cuts being driven on an essential service and that this conflicted with what the service wanted to do.

If this was what was meant Councillor Taylor agreed that he would argue vehemently as Chair with Ministers against further funding cuts and unfair methodologies that placed South Yorkshire Fire Authority at a disadvantage.

In a supplementary question Councillor Elliott pointed out to the Chamber the possible dangers to residents if these proposals went ahead. However, what about residents were they aware what the Fire Authority wanted to inflict upon them i.e. one fire engine and four fire fighters to protect the 64,000 people on a night shift.

The Fire Authority had started a consultation which, if you could find it, was typical of the Fire Authority. It was devoid of information and the two questions on the consultation were slanted so to give the views that the Fire Authority would like to receive. The public needed informing about this consultation and encouraged to respond in a manner that would make the Fire Authority take notice. So he asked would Councillor Taylor insist that the Fire Authority consultation was widely promoted and publicised i.e. in the local media, local radio and most of all events in public places such as Parkgate Shopping Centre and Rotherham Town Centre. Let them look residents in the face and tell them they have been short changed. He asked for a proper consultation and asked would the spokesperson get the Fire Authority in the chamber to explain to Members where their money was going.

Councillor Taylor explained about the dangers of whipping up hysteria that members of the public would be placed at greater risk. For ten years he had ridden in the back of pumps which started off with six riders and at the end of the ten years had come down to four riders. For the next ten years he was the officer in charge that predominantly rode in the front of the pumps with four riders and for the rest of his career in the car that supported pumps who still only had four or five riders.

It was not the amount of riders on the pumps that made the difference. It was what they did so from the initial call to the mobilisation and the officer in charge working out the plan and if resources were not available they would ask for them and supervise the plan. From his experience Councillor Taylor explained having four or five riders had not many any difference to the operation of the team.

Concerns over the consultation document were noted, which was available till August. The consultation had been widely advertised, but Councillor Elliott's comments would be passed back to the Communications Team to make sure they made better efforts to advertise the consultation further.

It was also noted that it was the intention of Overview and Scrutiny Management Board to bring the consultation of the IRMP to a meeting.

(2) Councillor Carter asked how much would the failed implementation of SYFRA's Close Proximity Crewing cost the taxpayers in legal fees and compensation?

Councillor Taylor advised at the moment the compensation payments were subject to negotiation and, on that basis, it would be inappropriate to disclose any information due to confidentiality. In terms of the legal costs, given the short notice, Barnsley MBC Legal Services were not in a position to disclose information, but this could be provided at the first opportunity or at a future Council meeting.

In a supplementary question Councillor Carter confirmed he would be grateful if this could be provided in writing or by email.

Councillor Taylor confirmed he would.

(3) Councillor Carter asked where else in the country had reducing the number of firefighters on a fire engine from five to four staff been implemented?

Councillor Taylor confirmed that from forty-seven of the other Fire Authorities in the U.K., excluding South Yorkshire, there were sixteen that rode four as part of their normal staffing arrangements. There were a further ten that rode five when this permitted. For information South Yorkshire rode four riders for 38% of the time.

In a supplementary question Councillor Carter clarified that South Yorkshire was not the first to be trialling four riders. Councillor Taylor had mentioned about additional fire fighters attending not on pumps to Councillor Elliott so he asked what procedures were in place at the moment to ensure those fire fighters were available in time to be able to get to incidents that required more staff.

Councillor Taylor further explained there were no additional fire fighters that attended pumping arrangements, but that they did attend from other pumps or from other fire stations. Back up arrangements were in operation from neighbouring fire stations.

(4) Councillor Carter asked under the PCC's tenure, South Yorkshire Police have moved away from and now back to a neighbourhood policing model and he asked did the spokesperson agree with him that the Police and Crime Commissioner had lacked proper oversight of this vital aspect of policing?

Councillor Sansome confirmed he did not agree with Councillor Carter.

In a supplementary question Councillor Carter asked what representations did the Police and Crime Panel make to the Police and Crime Commissioner when these initial changes were put into place.

Councillor Sansome explained the decision to absorb neighbourhood police officers into response teams was an operational decision of the previous Chief Constable and his senior command team.

It was taken before the present Police and Crime Commissioner became Commissioner. When the present Police and Crime Commissioner appointed the current Chief constable he asked him to restore full neighbourhood policing – police officers and PCSOs - which he had been doing. The overall number of police officers in South Yorkshire would be increased this year by fifty-five of whom forty would go into neighbourhood teams. This was the first increase since 2010. This was a good record of oversight.

Concerning the functions of the Police and Crime Panel, those representatives on it would confirm Members currently consistently held the Police and Crime Commissioner to account on neighbourhood policing. This was why the Panel rejected the precept and the reason why the Panel wanted more policing to see safer neighbourhoods. This was the first increase since 2010.

(5) Councillor Carter asked how much money had been spent on the failed 101 service implementation?

Councillor Sansome explained the 101 system had been in place nationally since 2013. Since that time, the number of calls received each day had escalated. Many of these calls were nothing to do with either

crime or anti-social behaviour and they were clogging the system, especially at busy times of the day. This was the issue that now faced all police forces.

It was not systems, but the sheer number of calls that, at certain times, could be almost overwhelming and had to be reduced. Everyone had a part to play in educating the public about the appropriate use of 101 and 999.

South Yorkshire Police had now replaced its outdated equipment and operating systems. 'Connect' was a system for Police and other parts of the justice system to exchange information. This went live last year and was fully functional. 'Smart Contact' – which included improvements to 101 - was in place, but some functions were still being worked on. Both systems have been developed jointly with Humberside Police.

In a supplementary question Councillor Carter asked with regards to the 101 service what were the current waiting times.

Councillor Sansome was unable to provide this information, but would seek to get this answer and provide in writing.

(6) Councillor Carter asked when the new 101 service was introduced, was the new technology fully accessible for disabled staff to use?

Councillor Sansome confirmed employers such as South Yorkshire Police were required to make reasonable adjustments for staff with disabilities. As there were many different types of disability this may mean making adjustments on an individual basis.

The new technology had been designed with different disabilities in mind, such as colour blindness.

In a supplementary question Councillor Carter clarified that when the new 101 telephone service was introduced it was not fully accessible for staff and adjustments had to be made when this came into place. He asked had this resulted in any staff being unable to perform their role.

Councillor Sansome was unable to provide this information, but would seek to get this answer and provide in writing.

206. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS TO CABINET MEMBERS AND CHAIRMEN

(1) Councillor Fenwick-Green was aware it was reported recently that sales of electric cars were up a third compared to this time last year so asked what was the Council doing to make it easier for drivers of electric vehicles to charge their cars in Rotherham?

Councillor Lelliott explained the Council had been successful in securing funding from the Government as part of the work on the Clean Air Zone,

some of this funding was being used to proactively encourage electric vehicle use by installing more charging points for electric vehicles.

Work was currently on-going across a number of sites around the borough and the total number of charging points that would be installed would depend on those works. However, it was estimated that around fourteen public charging points would be installed across the borough, plus as many as twenty in the town centre and at Riverside. A further ten chargers would be installed at Hellaby depot to allow the Council to develop its electric vehicle fleet in years to come.

The work was expected to be completed by the end of June.

In a supplementary question Councillor Fenwick-Green was aware that problems that drivers with electric cars faced when they came to a charging point was they could not plug a car in because it had iced up. This was not the case for cars with an internal combustion engine so asked if there were any plans to prevent charging point blocking to allow electric car drivers to charge their vehicles when they needed to.

Councillor Lelliott confirmed there were no plans, but the position would be monitored via enforcement officers to ensure it was not being abused.

(2) Councillor Carter asked what plans were there currently to resurface roads such as High Hazel Road and Treeton Lane in Treeton?

Councillor Hoddinott confirmed if Councillor Carter had spoken to the Ward Councillor for Treeton he would have found out the Ward Members representing Treeton have already picked up the concerns of local residents, and as a result High Hazel Road, Treeton and Treeton Lane, Treeton have been included on the Highway Repair Programme for 2019/20.

The two roads would, therefore, be resurfaced this financial year.

(3) Councillor M. Elliott referred to the annual gardening competition being recently announced and asked why was it only applicable to Council tenants?

Councillor Beck explained this recognised the green figured tenants and those taking pride in their own Council home. It was recognised that many of the housing estates were mixed tenure. This was something the Council were looking at, but logistically extending the competition to 100,000 homes would make this a challenge.

Councillor Elliott took on board Councillor Beck's comments, but the right to buy made a lot of private householders on Council estates. He believed the present scheme was discriminatory and hoped the service would look at it again for next year.

Councillor Beck shared the spirit in which Councillor Elliott's question intended, but the staff who worked on this annual competition were all funded from the tenants themselves and the rents collected. The Council must be careful not to run a project potentially funded by Council tenants for the benefit of others as there were strict regulations around the HRA. However, consideration would be given as to whether this project could be extended.

(4) Councillor Carter asked were libraries in communities such as Wickersley and Brinsworth at risk of closure under the upcoming review of the library service?

Councillor Allen explained that as Councillor Carter would know the new improved library provision developed by the Parish Council at the Brinsworth Community Hub would be available from the 4th November, 2019. This would be delivered using a Section 106 contribution of £124,800 along with an allocation of £148,401 the Council's capital programme – which Councillor Carter voted against.

There were no plans to close libraries, but the service would listen carefully to consultation on developing a new Library Strategy that was approved by the Cabinet.

The existing service for the first time in ten years had reversed the trend in terms of usage and it was now going upwards. It was also recording for the end of 2018/19 99.08% satisfaction ratings from users. The service wanted to maintain and improve on that service delivery and keep those standards already reached and applicable which was why residents were being asked for their views. Members would need to remember there were authorities like East Sussex who were currently closing a third of their libraries without any consultation purely as a savings exercise. Here in Rotherham the Council was rightly proud and not only keeping libraries open, but statistics showed they were thriving.

(5) Councillor Carter asked did RMBC employ directly or indirectly any staff on zero hour contracts?

Councillor Alam explained the Council did not employ staff on zero hours contracts, either directly or indirectly.

(6) Councillor Fenwick-Green pointed out that since the last Council meeting CYPS have had an Ofsted focused visit to review the permanence planning arrangements for looked after children and asked could the Cabinet Member tell the Chamber what were the conclusions.

Councillor Watson confirmed Ofsted carried out a focused visit on 21st and 22nd March, 2019 to look at the Council's arrangements for permanence planning, including early permanence for children looked after. The Inspectors looked at a range of evidence, including case discussions with social workers. They also looked at Local Authority

performance management and quality assurance information, and reviewed children's case records.

Ofsted said that children looked after by Rotherham Borough Council who needed permanence in their lives were receiving a strong service. They saw that the Council had made progress since the last inspection in 2017, when services for children looked after were judged to require improvement.

The inspectors reported that effective strategic planning by senior leaders had significantly improved permanence planning for children in care. They said that senior leaders have successfully made use of the Council's existing strengths, such as performance reporting, together with increased management oversight of children's individual circumstances, to achieve sustained improvement.

The published report said that significant partners, such as the Child and Family Courts Advisory Service (CAFCAS) and the courts, reported an increasing amount of good-quality social work. Inspectors reported that social workers described their plans for children in care clearly and that they saw children regularly and know them very well.

Inspectors found that all children in care whose cases were reviewed by inspectors had a plan for permanence firmly in place. This meant that there was a real focus on securing their long-term future including finding a variety of places for them to live.

As with all inspections a small number of areas were identified for further development. Firstly, the quality and consistency of written planning needs to match up to social workers' verbal accounts of their plans. Secondly, the Council needed to increase the number of in-house placements, to avoid the use of unregulated placements options when finding places for children in care to live. Finally assessments needed to be of a consistent quality, where risk had potential implications for stability in the lives of children in care.

As ever, the Council would take on board the feedback from the inspection to continue to improve the services for our Looked After Children.

(7) Councillor Carter asked had the Council supported convictions of homeless people under the Victorian era Vagrancy Act in the past five years?

Councillor Beck explained the Council's thoughts were with anyone who found themselves in a situation where they or their family were homeless or sleeping rough.

This type of enforcement was undertaken by the Police, who were not required to consult with the Council before they took such action. Neither

the Police nor the Council were at liberty to pick and choose which laws were enforced.

Councillor Beck understood that the Police were sometimes required to use these powers after interventions from the Council or the Police have not been successful. When this action was taken, it was not in order to convict people for being homeless. The powers were only used as a last resort in cases where individuals were found to be persistently begging and causing a significant nuisance, after every effort had been made to support the individual off the streets. It should be noted that persistent begging was not necessarily confined to people who were homeless and sadly it was known that many individuals found to be begging were not homeless at all.

In a supplementary question Councillor Carter asked over the past five years were there any residents involved with the Council as described being convicted under the Vagrancy Act.

Councillor Beck referred back to his original response that this was a matter for the Police. The Council did not prosecute anyone under the Act. The Council did in fact work in partnership with the Police, the Health Service and other organisations, but it was Labour Party policy to repeal the Vagrancy Act if the Labour Party came into power.

(8) Councillor Carter asked what was the administration's view on combining the roles of City Region Mayor and Police and Crime Commissioner.

The Leader confirmed there was no such proposal in South Yorkshire so the Council had not formed a view about it. The priority was for the Metro Mayor to do his job and the task of delivering a devolution deal before coming to other reforms.

In a supplementary question Councillor Carter asked would the administration support the combining of the role of the Fire Authority with those of the Police and Crime Commissioner.

The Leader was not aware of a proposal to do this at the moment so a decision would lay with the Police and Crime Commissioner and he would need to persuade Councils to do this. If a proposal came forward in the future the Council would then consider it seriously.

(9) Councillor Reeder asked the Cabinet Member for a cleaner safer place to live. Under this new neighbourhood scheme had there been any improvement in Rotherham town centre and surrounding area and did the Cabinet Member ever walk around town and was anyone bothered.

Councillor Allen was aware Councillor Reeder had also asked this question at the Streetpride Members Group last week and a long discussion took place about recent walkabouts in Wellgate. The Cabinet

Member was still working with officers to come to a resolution on them.

At the meeting all the Members gave assurance that they were bothered and today everyone in this Chamber would give reassurance with confidence that they too were bothered.

Councillor Reeder had referenced what improvements in the town centre had taken place with the new ward based working and examples of tangible improvement were in Rotherham East Councillors have supported community litter picks, clean up events and improvements to the subways, including the creation of new murals. In addition there had been significant multi-agency working in Eastwood that had had an impact on reducing anti-social behavior and improved the environment.

In Rotherham West Councillors have tackled fly tipping through installation of CCTV, organised community clean-ups, removed graffiti and encouraged reassurance campaigns.

Boston Castle Councillors have initiated activity to improve community safety on the Duke of Norfolk estate with the installation of CCTV, installation of barriers and general public reassurance.

Through the Streetpride Working Group Councillor Reeder would be aware the Council was looking to focus on some new ways of working with more flexible zonal based cleaning teams. The Council were keen to increase and support volunteering and looking at better ways to engage with Members and residents in identifying local issues.

It was acknowledged that there were still places in the Borough that were not as clean as they could be and the Cabinet Member was working with officers through the Streetpride Working Group, with other Members and communities to improve things.

In a supplementary question Councillor Reeder's main concern was around the Howard Building and its condition. The residents were asking her what they were paying their Council Tax for as the roads were a mess, the town centre was a mess and no one cared. Residents had to do their own recycling instead of the Council. There was no enforcement, mattresses and large items were just chucked out onto the pavement and the streets along Wellgate just looked Romania with rats on the Henley site. The play area in that area had been given over to the alcoholics and the drug addicts as the Council was failing in its duty to maintain it. Councillor Reeder was not talking about Wickersley and Ravefield, but why should the Council estates be any different for the people that lived on them. These residents were not second class citizens, but were living in third world conditions and it was Council tax payers who were paying wages of staff who were supposed to be delivering services.

Councillor Allen was not aware of the question in the above, but commented that many Members were distressed by what Councillor

Reeder had said. With regards to some of the specifics Councillor Reeder had an open door to the Cabinet Member and the Streepride Working Group to get answers to her concerns.

(10) Councillor Carter asked would the Council commit to becoming single-use plastic free in all Council owned buildings in the next 3 years?

Councillor Hoddinott was pleased to report that she had already tasked staff with investigating whether this was practicable.

(11) Councillor Carter asked given recent changes in Government policy towards tackling period poverty in school, would the Cabinet Member please outline the Council's next steps in ensuring freely available sanitary wear would be available in all Rotherham's secondary schools?

Councillor Watson confirmed the Government had followed the Scottish Government that they were going to provide free sanitary products in all English secondary schools and colleges, but they had missed a turn and not included the top end of primary schools, which needed to be addressed.

The Government plan was to commence in the next financial year when they planned to make Councils responsible, but would passport the money through Councils, although some cynics would realise that it was likely money would come in ring-fenced and then in a few years this was likely to be withdrawn and it then became a problem for Councils to fund.

In the interim before the Government funding was provided one local charity that had previously supported local secondary schools to further address and enhance this provision had enough funds to support three secondary schools in the borough with sanitary products and were currently talking to Heads which were the most appropriate. However, it was noted all schools did have a small delegated budget which included an amount allocated to address health, safety and welfare issues.

(12) Councillor Carter asked for the financial year 2018/19 how many people were employed and what was the cost to the taxpayer of staff employed for the purposes of trade union work?

Councillor Alam explained the latest available data for trade union facility time and associated costs was for the 2017/2018 financial year. Data for 2018/2019 was currently being collated and would be published by 31st July, 2019.

As at 31st March 2018, there were six full time trade union convenors employed in the Council. The total cost to the Council for trade union activity was £192,797; equivalent to 0.1% of the combined school and non-school pay bill.

The Cabinet Member assured Councillor Carter that the Council valued strong workplace representation for its workforce and unlike some members of the Conservative Party the Council would not want to undermine that representation and the benefits it brought.

(13) Councillor Carter referred to reports which had seen a new bus shelter being installed in Maltby where no buses now run due to recent cuts. He, therefore, asked would the Cabinet Member make representations to SYPTE to move this redundant bus shelter to Bawtry Road in Brinsworth to replace the ones destroyed in accidents.

Councillor Lelliott explained the bus stop in question was paid for by the developer as part of the planning approval for the new Home Bargains store, which cited improvements to the bus stop on Tickhill Road when the bus route was in operation.

It was SYPTE, who installed and maintained bus stops, (not the Council), and who would contact Councillor Carter to discuss further.

(14) Councillor Carter asked what was the preferred option of the administration for the location and provision of a central library?

Councillor Allen reported the Council had been consulting on an option to move the Central Library to the Guardian Centre in the markets complex.

(15) Councillor Cowles referred on a visit to Eastwood he saw a mini bus touring the area at 10:00 a.m. with the driver knocking on doors. He asked him what he was doing and he said he was from a local school and had come to collect children who had failed to arrive at the expected time. He asked was the Cabinet Member aware of this practice?

Councillor Watson was not aware about the specific bus that Councillor Cowles saw, but he could confirm that schools all have staff members who routinely monitored attendance levels.

Where non-school attendance was an issue with for example a particular pupil or cohort of pupils in a school, the attendance leads would make home visits if for example a child had failed to report for school and the absence had not been reported by a parent/carer.

The home visit was to establish firstly that the child was safe and well and where persistent absenteeism was an issue, to challenge non-school attendance. In some cases as part of support strategies to improve the educational engagement and attendance of a small minority of pupils, this may include collecting them from home if they failed to report for school at the start of the school day. The Cabinet Member would prefer this rather than just giving in and encourage pupils to attend on a regular basis.

In a supplementary question Councillor Cowles referred to a number of children in his ward that attended Brinsworth School three miles away and

who would at the end of this year lose their free bus pass. Parents would be expected to pay for the journey or their children would be expected to walk. This action was due to a new crossing that had been installed near to Canklow on the A631. At this point if they walked they would have crossed this road three times, yet there was still the Canklow Bridge and Brinsworth Lane to navigate. The route was both unhealthy and unsafe and in response to the unsafe request parents were expected to take their children to school and bring them home and still go to work.

From the ages of 11 to 16 parents were not able to pay for bus fare to cover 12 miles a day to take their children to school along the A631 so chances of children crossing where they were expected to do was unlikely to take place. He asked, therefore, if it was possible to take children to school from Eastwood then they could be taken from Whiston. He asked that one, the bus passes be restored or two that Brinsworth School be asked to put on a bus at 7.45 a.m. to get children to school on time. Would the Cabinet Member respond to this issue?

Councillor Watson believed Councillor Cowles' point was that the journey for the children in his ward was an unsafe walking journey to school and was not for personal safety as was the law. The important thing was it was safe as a pedestrian. It was for parents to decide if on a personal basis it was safe for their child to walk.

If it was possible to have all the free school buses returned that the Government had removed, Councillor Watson would welcome this. However, the Council had to apply national guidelines as this was the policy of this Council.

(16) Councillor Carter asked how much had the Council spent in the last five years on travel by flights for staff and Councillors and if this could be provided in a list by year, and also the amount for any business class fares and their destinations.

Councillor Alam confirmed there had been three occasions of travel by flights in the last five years that the Council had paid for. The total cost was £1,548 broken down by year as follows:-

2017 - £728

2018 - £758

2018 - £62

These flights were taken by officers. No Councillors have been on any flights. None of them were business class flights and all were economy.

(17) Councillor Cowles confirmed he had received four complaints about rodents in back gardens in Sitwell and it was becoming a borough wide problem. Issues at Eastwood and Masbrough were known, but it was now around the library area in Wath and at the back of this building across the Narrow Twitchell. He held the Cabinet Member responsible

and asked what was she going to do about it?

Councillor Allen responded and confirmed there had been no increase in the number of requests for rodent treatments over the last three years and there was no evidence of an increase in rat problems across the Borough.

Rodents generally wanted shelter, food and water, so simple things like making sure any rubbish was contained in wheelie bins, or keeping gardens free of clutter would help.

In 2018/19 the Council issued fifty legal notices under the Prevention of Damage by Pests Act to specifically require owners/occupiers to clear areas that were harbouring rats. In the same period the enforcement team dealt with nearly 1,300 issues with domestic waste, most of which were resolved informally, with the owner clearing up before action was taken.

If residents were experiencing rodent problems an appointment could be made by contacting the Council.

In a supplementary question Councillor Cowles described how on Monday night at the Parish Council meeting a gentleman described his property in Maltby where rats had come along the sewer and burrowed up through the floorboards. This showed the problem was increasing and the problem moved about.

The issue was when residents called pest control officers they were expected to pay for the removal of the rodents when they were not their rodents. It was hardly surprising there was a problem when you walked around with the wheelie bins being crammed full, the lids not closed properly and on some the lids were gnawed. The problem would not be controlled while this was happening. Rodents posed a health threat so it was suggested something needed doing and for it to be treated with the seriousness it deserved rather than having to put up with it.

Councillor Allen understood from her own perspective that no-one was more than six foot away from a rat. In terms of charges for rodent services there was a charge in private properties, but Council tenants were entitled to services free.

In terms of the concerns raised at the Parish Council meeting Councillor Allen asked if this had been reported and urged anyone that if there was an issue to contact the Authority to report it.

In a point of information Councillor Ireland sought clarification on the restriction on the number of questions that could be asked and was advised that this would come into effect from the next meeting in July, 2019.

(18) Councillor Carter asked how did the Council intend to encourage Rotherham's big businesses (such as those on the Advanced Manufacturing Park) to help address the fall in attainment below the national average between KS1 and KS5?

Councillor Watson explained the Council encouraged all schools work closely with a range of businesses including those on Advanced Manufacturing Park, which included:-

1. The Gatsby Benchmarks.
2. Rotherham Schools have now all got a link Careers advisor to support the development of business links as part of these benchmarks.
3. South Yorkshire Futures (a partnership of Hallam Institute of Education) was now working in partnership with business leaders to work more closely with schools and enable business leaders to speak, mentor and inspire school children.
4. The Advanced Manufacturing Park have excellent links with Rotherham schools and have offered a range of outreach events and opportunities for schools to gain both professional development for teachers and inspiration for their students and careers and apprenticeship advice for older students.

On a more practical level, the Council was engaged in delivering a number of funded and non-funded projects such as:-

- Linking schools with STEM ambassadors from the AMRC and its partners on the AMP and Waverley to increase student visits to the site.
- Working in partnership with businesses, schools and Well North (Rotherham) to develop and roll out a science summer school.
- Linking local businesses to schools, to help raise the aspirations of students by increasing employer encounters and experience of the workplace through career speed networking, mock interviews and other career related activities.
- Forging links between head teachers and businesses leaders, to help deliver skills and economic growth for Rotherham.
- Working with inward investors such as Gulliver's and education partners, to raise awareness of careers and progression pathways in primary/secondary schools.
- Facilitating meetings with careers leaders to promote the roll out of the Gatsby Benchmarks for good careers guidance and duties under the statutory guidance for careers.
- Promoting the use of Industry Champions in schools and roll out of the SYF Talent Bank – Inspiring the Future.
- Listening and supporting the views of young people to encourage schools to roll out a quality work experience model across

Rotherham.

- Supporting the annual Get Up to Speed with STEM and LEAF job and careers fairs held at Magna.

These issues were continually going on and it was important they were reinforced so children could see the career opportunities. This would be forwarded onto Councillor Carter so he could study in more detail.

(19) Councillor Cowles was aware that around the country parents were campaigning for 'school streets' which were closed to through traffic for 45 minutes when children were arriving and leaving and, for pollution monitoring. In a number of cases enlightened local authorities have made it happen and asked when would the Council decide to do this?

Councillor Hoddinott confirmed officers were already working on a trial for the autumn term for a school street, Poor air quality was a significant concern for the Council, especially where there was exposure for vulnerable sections of society, such as around schools where children and young people are present. However, the Cabinet Member was happy to share any detail and evaluation of the trial with Councillor Cowles.

In a supplementary question Councillor Cowles had been informed and had some medical expertise that dirty air had the maximum impact on children as their lungs were growing. The single biggest congregation of children was directly outside schools in a morning and in the afternoon so would have real results. Parents of private schools were fearful of competition and the Council owed it to children to give them the best possible start in life. The Council needed to get on with this and explain to schools and parents why action was needed.

Councillor Hoddinott had no response to the comment above.

(20) Councillor Cowles referred to teachers facing increased verbal and physical abuse. He had checked the figures nationally and there had been a steady year on year increase. Schools could not be expected to deal with everything for children whose families fail them so asked what was the situation locally.

Councillor Watson explained incidents in the borough have remained broadly at a consistent level and the Council had not noticed any sustained significant increase in the number of incidents being reported on a termly basis. It appeared as though there would be fewer incidents this year than there was last year.

The Local Authority actively encouraged all schools and academies to report violent and aggressive incidents to the health and safety team to enable accurate recording to be maintained.

Violent and aggressive incidents were collated and reported to relevant Council departments to enable the escalation of support strategies where they were necessary. Violent and aggressive incidents tended to come from a place of fear on behalf of the student and so by offering to support social, emotional and mental health issues the Council could support such incidents happening again.

The Council was not being complacent although as it was not following the national upward trend with figures lower than last year. Situations were being closely monitored and appropriate action taken.

In a supplementary question Councillor Cowles described how a former teacher had returned to teaching and when asked a student to stop doing something was told what the student thought. He was not sure the figures substantiated the views of Councillor Watson and when he checked there were no statistical information or mechanics in place. He was not sure if Councillor Watson's view was correct or not, but had sought clarification.

Councillor Watson had received this from the monitoring department so would send on to Councillor Cowles.

(21) Councillor Carter asked how did the Council currently support disabled children in accessing Council swimming facilities.

Councillor Allen explained there were a range of measures in place at the Council's leisure centres to support access for disabled children to access swimming facilities included:-

- The availability of pool hoists at each site, along with hoists within specific changing rooms to assist disabled users.
- 1-1 swimming lessons are offered across the leisure centres and these were accessed by many young people with disabilities.
- Swimming teachers were upskilled to be able to differentiate in their lessons in order to respond to the ability and needs of the participants.
- The leisure centres facilitated group bookings for disabled users.
- Reduced cost of casual swimming and swimming lessons for individuals who qualified for a Rothercard.
- Disabled users could access discounted swims using the 1:1 cards and carers were free of charge.
- Family changing areas at all our facilities.
- All children on the swimming lesson programme up to the age of eight could access casual swimming sessions for free.

In a supplementary question Councillor Carter asked if the Cabinet Member would the Council consider having specific swimming sessions for disabled children.

Councillor Allen confirmed the Rotherham Activity Partnership and other partners were focused on improving access and meeting the needs of a

wide range of adults and young people including those with oral disabilities and those on the autistic spectrum.

(22) Councillor Carter asked what actions have RMBC taken to tackle anti-social behaviour that was taking place along Wellgate, particularly late at night?

Councillor Hoddinott explained about the hard work taking place by Ward Members through the neighbourhood working with meetings with the Police. Councillors Alam, McNeely and Yasseen were actively discussing this with the Police and Officers to address the issues.

Increased patrols in the area were taking place to try to identify those responsible. Identifying an individual allowed officers to jointly address any offending, or anti-social behaviour. The mobile CCTV Camera for this Ward would also be redeployed to this area, with the agreement of Ward Councillors, in order to help identify individuals who were causing problems.

(23) Councillor Carter asked how much had the Council spent in the last five years on hotel stays by Council officers and Councillors, broken down by year and the amount spent?

Councillor Alam confirmed the Council's expenditure on hotels had fallen by 17% over the period:-

2018/19 £16,204
2017/18 £16,648
2016/17 £23,436
2015/16 £22,284
2014/15 £19,682

(24) Councillor Carter asked how did the Council currently support enabling those with learning disabilities such as autistic spectrum disorders from accessing Council swimming facilities.

Councillor Allen alluded to a previous answer, but in addition to enable those with learning disabilities, such as autism spectrum disorders, to access the Council's swimming facilities a number of provisions were provided. These included:-

- 1-1 swimming lessons are offered across the leisure centres and these could be accessed by adults and young people with learning disabilities.
- Where appropriate children with a learning disability were supported to access mainstream swimming lessons.
- Special Educational Needs classes were provided for young people across the leisure centres. There was a swimming teacher on poolside directing the class and a 2nd swimming teacher in the water to support the needs and development of the participants. The

classes were restricted to six students at any one time to maintain the quality of the lesson.

In a supplementary question Councillor Carter asked whether the Council considered reducing the water temperature to make it easier for those with disabilities and sensory problems to access the pool.

Councillor Allen had never considered the water temperature, but would go and talk to the service and provide Councillor Carter with an answer in writing.

(25) Councillor Carter asked how much over the last five years broken down by year has the Council spent on external consultants.

Councillor Alam confirmed expenditure of external consultants had fallen by nearly 40% from its height in 2015/16.

Councillors Steele, Cowles, Albiston and Mallinder undertook a scrutiny review of the use of consultants and agency staff which reported in February last year. As part of this review, the definitions for agency, interim and consultancy staff have been established. The outcome from the review had determined the definition for Consultancy/Independent Contractors which was used by the Council to accurately monitor spend for these services.

Based on these definitions the amounts spent in the last two financial years were:-

2018/19 - £1,100,276
2017/18 - £1,159,699

Information recorded for previous years may not in some cases correspond with the definitions now agreed, but were:-

2015/16 - £1,828,000
2014/15 - £636,000

(26) Councillor Carter asked were there any Council imposed limits on Rotherham residents taking their own personal household waste to RMBC household waste recycling centres, such as limits to the amount of soil from their own garden that could be taken over a defined time period?

Councillor Hoddinott confirmed Household Waste Recycling Centres were provided for residents to dispose of their Household Waste. Household Waste was best described as "items that you would take with you if you were moving house, or could already be disposed of during normal waste collections."

In addition to Household Waste disposal, the Council offered residents the ability to dispose small amounts of non-household waste and these were

detailed on the Council's web site. The A-Z of waste covered all items on the Council's website.

In terms of soil, because it did not meet the definition of Household Waste, the amount was restricted that could be brought to Household Waste Recycling Centres to five 25kg bags, every six months.

In a supplementary question Councillor Carter understood that provided waste was not in a commercial vehicle, but in a personal or private vehicles how effectively were officers monitoring the usage of household or DIY waste.

Councillor Hoddinott referred Councillor Carter again to the A-Z of waste on the Council's website as it clearly set out and advised about the different waste. Whilst people would be assisted with small amounts, those undertaking large jobs would be expected to dispose of their waste via a skip.

(27) Councillor Carter asked how much had the Council spent in each of the last five years on catering and hospitality and asked this be listed by year, and also broken down with internal catering and hospitality, and external hospitality.

Councillor Alam explained details of expenditure for the cost code 'hospitality' had fallen by a third and were provided for each of the last five years below:-

2018/19	- £55,741	Internal	- £47,697	External	- £8,044
2017/18	- £55,465	Internal	- £52,504	External	- £2,961
2016/17	- £66,342	Internal	- £62,156	External	- £4,186
2015/16	- £89,185	Internal	- £76,598	External	- £12,587
2014/15	- £82,084	Internal	- £69,514	External	- £12,570

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23rd May 2019

Mr L Harron

By email lgha@btinternet.com

Dear Mr Harron

It was unfortunate that you were unable to attend the council meeting held on 22nd May to ask your question but I would like to take this opportunity to provide you with a response:-

"I have heard that millions of pounds have been overspent by officers at RMBC.

Can you confirm how much was overspent in the two financial years 2017-18-19, identify the position of the officer responsible for the greatest overspend and explain how such overspends were authorised and allowed to happen?"

I understand that you have written to the Leader of the Council about this, and that he responded to you in writing on 26th April.

The Council's overall spending for 2017/18 was £3.237m less than budget, taking into account the level of planned use of reserves which was agreed at the time of setting the 2017/18 budget.

In relation to 2018/19, the February Financial Monitoring Report considered at Cabinet in April, anticipated that the Council's financial outturn for 2018/19 would once again be within the agreed overall budget. This can now be confirmed and the financial outturn report setting out the detailed outturn for 2018/19 will be published for the Cabinet agenda of 8th July.

Within the balancing of the overall budget there have been pressures in Adults and Children's Social Care which are well documented and mean that the Council has identified and implemented actions and measures to mitigate those cost pressures and funding shortfalls by other means, to ensure that the Council's spending overall remains within budget. This has been reported to Cabinet throughout the year.

This situation is not unique to Rotherham and we will continue to lobby National Government along with the Local Government Association to appropriately fund Social Care.

Yours sincerely

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Councillor Carter.

Dear Councillor Carter,

Council – 22nd May, 2019

Further to your question at full Council where you asked in a supplementary question about what the current average waiting time on a 101 call was I can confirm the average wait time for 101 over the last week was 6 minutes.

This figure of course varies, but the overall trajectory was that this was showing improvement and average wait times are reducing.

The general trend information is reported in the performance report generated by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner.

I trust this answers your question, but if I can help further in any way please let me know.

Yours sincerely,

S. Sansome

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19th June, 2019.

Councillor Carter.

Dear Councillor Carter,

Council – 22nd May, 2019

Further to your question at full Council where you asked in a supplementary question about making adjustments in the contact centre for people with a disability, and the Contact Centre not being set up for people with disabilities from the outset, I can confirm Atlas Court is wheelchair accessible.

There are disabled toilets on each floor and lift access. The range of differing abilities is so broad that no building or piece of technology can possibly be 'disability-proof'. The requirement on us is to make reasonable adjustments in each individual case which we do.

There is one police officer who works permanently at Atlas (she is there as a reasonable adjustment) and one member of staff whose reasonable adjustments still have to be made in order for them to fully use the Smart Contact system, this in progress, but requires technical solutions which we are still waiting for.

Both these members of the team are fully aware of the situation and are still working within Atlas Court, but at this time their range of duties has been amended.

I trust this answers your question, but if I can help further in any way please let me know.

Yours sincerely,

S. Sansome

Councillor S. Sansome,
Council's Representative on the
Police and Crime Panel.

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23rd May 2019

Councillor Cowles
c/o Rotherham Town Hall
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Dear Councillor Cowles

Thank you for your question at yesterday's council meeting relating to verbal and physical abuse being experienced by teachers in schools. Although, I provided you with a response in the meeting I said that I would follow up in writing with the available stats. To that end, please find below a breakdown of reported incidents for all schools and academies by year.

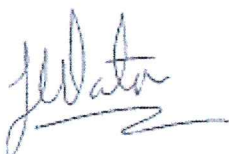
2015/16	Academic Year = 504 incidents reported
2016/17	Academic Year = 414 incidents reported
2017/18	Academic Year = 669 incidents reported

3 Year average = 529 per academic year

2018/19 Academic Year = 310 incidents reported after 2 terms (expected to be around 500 incidents at the end of the academic year)

I trust this information is satisfactory.

Yours sincerely



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27th June 2019

Dear Councillor Carter,

At the last Council meeting you asked me about facilities for disabled swimmers at our swimming pools. I promised to go away and ask about water temperatures.

I can now confirm that we keep our pools within the PWTAG guidance parameters of 27 to 29.6 degrees in the main pools and 30 to 32 degrees in the teaching pools. We don't change temperatures for specific sessions as the time taken to do so can impact on other users.

We do though sign post customers to the facilities they might prefer at both Hilltop and Newman schools.

As part of my conversations I also discovered that we are able to change the floor levels at some of our pools to better facilitate access.

I hope this answers your question. Please don't hesitate to email me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely



Councillor Sarah Allen
Cabinet Member for Cleaner, Greener Communities

THE CABINET
Monday, 20th May, 2019

Present:- Councillor Read (in the Chair); Councillors Alam, Allen, Beck, Hoddinott, Lelliott, Roche and Watson.

Also in attendance Councillor Steele (Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board)

143. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest to report.

144. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were no questions from members of the public.

145. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Resolved:- That the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 15th April, 2019, be agreed as true and correct records of the proceedings.

146. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved:- That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the Agenda Item 11 on the grounds that the appendices involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of such Act indicated, as now amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.

**147. SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITIES (SEND)
SUFFICIENCY - PHASE 2**

Consideration was given to the report which contained the proposed second phase of the Council's plans to increase and develop special education needs provision in Rotherham and, therefore, specifically proposed developing the use of SEND Inclusion Units within mainstream school settings to ensure that vulnerable pupils could access a mainstream curriculum but also receive high quality support and care.

The SEND Sufficiency Strategy set out Rotherham's strategic intentions which were:-

- For Academies and Local maintained schools to receive high quality support to enable them to become as inclusive and resilient as possible; so that children received a high quality education which differentiates learning and teaching to support the diverse needs of individual children and young people.

- To ensure that there was a high quality programme of workforce development to train education, health and care staff to meet the needs of Rotherham's children, young people and their families.
- To ensure that Rotherham schools could deliver a high quality graduated response from health, social care and teaching staff to ensure that inclusion support from specialist inclusion services were available at the point of identified need.
- To ensure sufficiency of school places within Rotherham for children aged 0-19 who have identified special education needs and whose education, health and care plans identified that only special school provision could meet their identified education, health and care needs and reduce dependence on high cost out of area placements which removed children and young people from their local communities.
- To ensure a sufficient range of provision for young people aged 16-25 to ensure that there were a variety of pathways to support young people to become confident, independent adults.

The report, therefore, sought approval to consult with providers in relation to new provision to meet the needs identified within the sufficiency strategy.

Cabinet Members welcomed the report and the positive impact it would have, especially on the Council's Home to School Transport budget with the proposed reduction in the number of out of authority placements and additional transport journeys incurred.

This report had been considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board as part of the pre-scrutiny process via the Improving Lives Select Commission who were in support of the recommendations.

Resolved:- (1) That publication of the refreshed Special Education Needs Strategy (2019) as part of the Borough's Local Offer for Children with SEND be approved.

(2) That a period of consultation with schools and settings be in relation to the additional capacity required in borough and seek proposals to increase educational provision for Special Education Needs and Disability (SEND) across the Borough be approved.

(3) That a further report be submitted following consultation with schools and settings, seeking approval of the proposals recommended for implementation and the associated allocation of capital investment to support the proposals.

148. ROTHERHAM MULTI-AGENCY ARRANGEMENTS FOR SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN

Consideration was given to the report which presented the Rotherham Multi-Agency Arrangements for Safeguarding Children, which had been developed, in accordance with statutory guidance, by the three safeguarding partners in consultation with the wider partnership. These arrangements would become effective from September, 2019.

The new safeguarding arrangements built on the strengths of the current partnership working in relation to safeguarding children under the auspices of the Local Safeguarding Children Board; and this served to provide a firm foundation for continuing with the good progress which had been made in relation to safeguarding children and for planning new strategic priorities and objectives.

There was also a requirement for independent scrutiny to provide assurance in judging the effectiveness of multi-agency arrangements to safeguard and promote the welfare of all children in Rotherham. It had been agreed by the safeguarding partners that this would continue to be provided through an Independent chairperson.

The proposal had had extensive consultation across the partnership via the Local Safeguarding Children Board. The Health and Wellbeing Board, Safeguarding Adults Board and Safer Rotherham Partnership have also received briefings on the changes to statutory guidance and have been given opportunities to contribute to the development of the new arrangements.

Discussions remained ongoing with regards to the Rotherham CCG (training) contribution of £22,000 as listed under the new Multi-Agency Arrangements for Safeguarding Children.

Resolved:- That the Rotherham Multi-Agency Arrangements for Safeguarding Children be endorsed.

149. CULTURAL STRATEGY 2019-2025

Consideration was given to the request by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board to defer the report pending completion and submission of an accompanying Equality Impact Assessment and for greater clarity on the governance arrangements and lines of accountability in future reports.

Resolved:- That the new Cultural Strategy 2019 – 2026 be deferred to the meeting in June, 2019.

150. CONSULTATION ON A NEW LIBRARY STRATEGY 2020 - 2025

Consideration was given the report which detailed how the Council had a statutory responsibility to provide “a comprehensive and efficient” public library service “for all persons desiring to make use thereof” (Public Libraries and Museums Act, 1964). The Act stated that the Local Authority had a duty to provide facilities for borrowing books and other materials and that it should encourage both adults and children to make full use of the service.

Libraries were visited for a variety of reasons in addition to borrowing books and other items. There was a full yearly programme of activities for all ages which received in the region of 70,000 visits per annum. These included regular Rhymetimes for pre-school children, storytimes, Lego and code clubs plus holiday and after-school craft activities. For adults libraries offered work clubs, English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) classes, a variety of readers groups, author visits and a range of social activities including knit and natter, bridge clubs, family history and basic computer sessions.

Satisfaction ratings for the Library Service were exceptional, averaging at 99.08% in 2018/19 for overall service delivery and pen portraits of each of the fifteen existing libraries were provided as part of the report.

It was, therefore, proposed to undertake an initial assessment of local need and engagement with partners, stakeholders and interested parties in respect of developing options for a future service delivery model, followed by a further report to Cabinet detailing proposals to be consulted on for a future service model, including identification of potential improvements to service and efficiencies, in the context of a refreshed Library Strategy.

Cabinet Members expressed how proud they were that in Rotherham the Library Service had been maintained when austerity measures had caused other local authorities to make cuts.

This report had been considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board as part of the pre-scrutiny process who were in support of the recommendations, subject to a sub-group of Overview and Scrutiny Management Board being established to scrutinise the outcome of Phase 1 of the consultation prior to the start of work on the final service offer.

Resolved:- (1) That consultation be undertaken with the public, partners, stakeholders and interested parties in respect of developing a new Library Strategy 2020 – 2025.

(2) That a further report be brought to Cabinet detailing proposals for a draft library strategy 2020 – 2025. The report would identify potential improvements to service and potential efficiencies.

(3) That the Assistant Director of Culture, Sport and Tourism notify the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport of the consultation and potential changes to service provision.

151. COUNCIL PLAN REFRESH

Consideration was given to the report which detailed how the 2017-2020 Council Plan was the core document that underpinned the Council's overall vision, setting out headline priorities and measures that would demonstrate its delivery.

Alongside it sat the corporate Performance Management Framework, explaining to all Council staff how robust performance monitoring and management arrangements (including supporting service business plans) were in place to ensure focus on implementation. The Performance Management Framework was refreshed in February, 2019.

The final, Quarter 4, performance report for 2018-2019 would be presented to Cabinet in July. This would assess the Council's performance against the target measures that were set in May, 2018.

Services have recently reviewed their performance throughout the year in order to determine new targets for 2019-2020. Although the 2017-2020 Council Plan was intended to cover three financial years, it was good practice to carry out an annual review of the performance measures included in it. The refreshed performance measures and targets have been set by services using reference to both in year performance, benchmarking data and the priorities for the coming year. The overall number of measures had reduced from 72 in 2018-2019 to 69 for 2019-2020.

To ensure that the delivery of actions and their impact was assessed, formal quarterly performance reports would continue to be presented in public at Cabinet meetings, with an opportunity for pre-Scrutiny consideration if required.

The Council Plan for 2019-2020 included in Appendix 1 an analysis of the Council's proposed 69 measures against its 14 key delivery outcomes.

Cabinet Members referred to the four measures which had been removed compared to the 2018-2019 plan; two have been added and there were sixteen refreshed measures which replaced fifteen measures in the previous plan. The measures, therefore, that have changed were:-

Measure ref	Measure description
5.D6	Proportion of Cabinet reports where an Initial Equality Screening Assessment has been completed.
5.D7	Proportion of Council Staff who have completed

	the mandatory Equality training.
n/a removed from updated plan attached	Successful completion of drug treatment b) non opiate users aged 18-75.
n/a removed from updated plan attached	No. of Safeguarding investigations (Section 42 enquiries) completed per 100,000 population (adults over 18 years).
n/a removed from updated plan attached	Net new business in the Town Centre.
n/a removed from updated plan attached	% of actions from the Equalities Peer Review that have been implemented.
1.A7	The proportion of LAC experiencing disrupted placements.
1.B1	The proportion of pupils reaching the expected standard In reading, writing and mathematics combined at the end of Key Stage 2.
1.B2	The average attainment 8 score at the end of Key Stage 4.
1.B3	The progress 8 measure from the end of primary school (KS2) to the end of secondary school (KS4).
1.B4 (a)	The number of permanent exclusions in secondary schools.
1.B4 (b)	The number of permanent exclusions in primary schools.
1.B5	The proportion of 16-17 year olds Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET) or whose activity is Not Known (NK) i) % 16-17 year old NEET ii) % 16-17 year olds whose activity is Not Known
1.B6	The proportion of Education and Health Care Plans (EHCPs) that are completed in statutory timescales.
2.B2	The proportion of people contacting Adult Social Care who are provided with information and advice at first point of contact.
3.A4(a)	The number of on the spot inspections of; Licensed Vehicles and Drivers.
3.A4(b)	The proportion of; a) Licensed Vehicles, b) Drivers found to be compliant with licensing requirements during on the spot inspections.
3.B1(a)	The proportion of the principal road network classified as being in: a) Amber condition. b) Red condition.
3.B1(b)	The proportion of the non-principal road network

	classified as being in: a) Amber condition . b) Red condition.
3.B1(c)	The proportion of unclassified roads classified as being in; a) Amber condition. b) Red condition.
4.B2	The proportion of Council Housing stock that is classified as “decent”.
5.D4	The proportion of the children’s social care establishment (Social Workers and Team Managers) who are agency staff.

Resolved:- (1) That the refreshed Council Plan for 2019-2020 be agreed and accepted.

(4) That Council recommend adoption of the refreshed Council Plan for 2019-20.

(3) That quarterly performance reports continue to be presented to public Cabinet meetings, with opportunities for pre-decision scrutiny.

152. DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS PROPERTIES

Consideration was given to the report which sought approval to dispose of the Council’s freehold interest in the following surplus properties:-

- The site of the former Maltby Library, High Street, Maltby and greenspace land to the rear.
- Treeton Youth Centre and the adjacent land, Church Lane, Treeton.
- Former caretaker’s residence at 6 Fitzwilliam Street, Swinton.

Consultations with other Council service areas have taken place and no other alternative operational use(s) have been identified.

The properties have been advertised externally and expressions of interest invited to establish if a public sector partner or community/third sector organisation has a requirement for them. To date no viable expressions of interest have been submitted.

As such it is considered that the most appropriate way forward would be to dispose of the assets listed.

Resolved:- (1) That the proposed disposal of the Council’s freehold interest in the following properties be approved:-

- a) The site of the former Maltby Library, High Street, Maltby and greenspace land to the rear.
- b) Treeton Youth Centre and the adjacent land, Church Lane, Treeton.
- c) Former caretaker’s residence at 6 Fitzwilliam Street, Swinton.

(2) That the Assistant Director for Planning, Regeneration and Transport be authorised to agree and implement the method of disposal for each asset.

(3) That the Head of Legal Services be authorised to negotiate and complete the necessary legal agreements.

153. PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON REVISED STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Consideration was given to the report which sought approval to undertake consultation on a Draft Revised Statement of Community Involvement.

The requirement to prepare a Statement of Community Involvement was set out in the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and set out how the Council involved local communities in planning for the future of the Borough through the preparation of the Local Plan and other planning policy documents, and the determination of planning applications.

Following adoption of the Local Plan Sites and Policies document in 2018, it was now timely and appropriate to review and refresh the current Statement of Community Involvement adopted in June, 2015.

The update set out the overall approach to community engagement; how people could influence the Local Plan and how people could be involved in planning decisions.

This report had been considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board as part of the pre-scrutiny process who were in support of the recommendations, subject to further work being undertaken to ensure the consultation document outlined the specific power of planning conditions in addressing concerns raised in respect of individual applications.

Resolved:- (1) That public consultation on the Draft Revised Statement of Community Involvement, as detailed in Appendix 1 be approved.

(2) That following consultation a further report be brought to Cabinet in October 2019 to consider the adoption of the Statement of Community Involvement.

154. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT BOARD

Consideration was given to the circulated report, the contents of which were included as part of the relevant item and the details included accordingly.

155. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Resolved:- That the next meeting of the Cabinet take place on Monday, 10th June, 2019 at 10.00 a.m.

THE CABINET
Monday, 10th June, 2019

Present:- Councillor Read (in the Chair); Councillors Alam, Allen, Beck, Hoddinott, Lelliott, Roche and Watson.

Also in attendance Councillor Steele (Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board).

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest to report.

2. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Councillor Sansome had intended raising his query via the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board regarding the Rotherham Employment and Skills Strategy, but sought reassurance that the Council would be centric to the partnership across major employers such as the Advanced Manufacturing Park, Rotherham College and construction. This area of South Yorkshire was crying out for engineering and construction skills and this was a perfect opportunity to work with others in partnership to sustain skills for the future.

Councillor Lelliott confirmed the Strategy was before the Cabinet for endorsement as it would be led by the Rotherham Together Partnership via their Business Growth Board which would underpin all of this. Within this Strategy there would be clear action plans about investment for growth, but the comments by Councillor Sansome would be taken on board and shared with the Business Growth Board.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Resolved:- That the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 20th May, 2019, be agreed as true and correct records of the proceedings, subject to an amendment to Minute No. 149 to correct the word “deter” to “defer”.

4. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

There are no agenda items requiring the exclusion of the press or public from the meeting.

5. APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILLORS TO SERVE ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Consideration was given to the report which detailed how outside bodies were external organisations which have a Council appointed representative, but have their own governance structures to the Council.

Appointments to outside bodies were seen as an important mechanism for: community leadership, partnership and joint working and knowledge and information sharing.

At the Annual Meeting on 19th May, 2017, the Council approved procedure rules that detailed how councillors would be appointed to serve on outside bodies, for which Cabinet was now.

This report, therefore, presented the nominations received and recommended the appointment of the nominees to the various organisations and partnerships.

Resolved:- That Councillors be appointed to serve on Outside Bodies, as detailed on the schedule in Appendix 1.

6. LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN AND CARE LEAVERS SUFFICIENCY STRATEGY 2019-2022

Consideration was given the report which detailed how the Looked After Children and Care Leavers Sufficiency Strategy had been developed in line with the duty to provide or procure placements for Children Looked After (CLA) by the Local Authority.

The legislation and guidance included the Children Act 1989, Sufficiency Statutory Guidance 2010, Care Planning, Placement and Case Review Regulations 2011) and the duty of 'sufficiency' required Local Authorities and Children's Trust partners to ensure that there was a range of sufficient placements which met the needs of children and young people in care. There was also a responsibility to take steps to develop and shape service provision to meet the needs of all children and young people in care at a local level, as far as was reasonably possible.

The Strategy, therefore, set out how Rotherham Children and Young People's Services would fulfil its role as a Corporate Parent and meet its statutory sufficiency duty by providing good quality care, effective parenting and support to children and young people in and leaving care. It described the principles that were applied when seeking to commission the provision of secure, safe and appropriate accommodation and support to children in care and care leavers over the next three years.

The LAC Sufficiency Strategy also provided the underpinning needs analysis that would inform market management work, seeking to ensure that there was the right mix of provision available to meet the needs of children and young people and that this provision mix provided positive outcomes and value for money. There were no plans to destabilise children from settled placements, but this was about moving forward to keep more people in the borough and seeking the best placements for the children of this Borough.

There were also plans to explore opportunities for regional collaboration working arrangements and whilst this Strategy was not primarily a financial one, it was expected that the commissioning and strategic intentions set out would provide significant cost avoidance and savings opportunities and were essential to the sustainability of improved outcomes and the Local Authority budget.

Whilst this Strategy was intended to run for four years until 2021, the recent increase in number of Looked After Children, in Rotherham and across the region, had significantly altered the market conditions for placing Looked After Children in provision that would meet their needs and conform to the principles set out in the strategy.

Effective demand management and market management were key areas of focus for Children and Young People's Services. This work must be underpinned by a clear understanding of current sufficiency arrangements and there were a number of opportunities for various people to become foster carers as part of these arrangements.

Tribute was also paid to Christine Marie Lunn, one of Rotherham's dedicated foster carers, who had fostered more than 250 children, being appointed MBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours list.

Christine started fostering children in Rotherham in 1975 with her late husband and had remained in contact with many who she had helped over the years.

This report had been considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board as part of the pre-scrutiny process who were in support of the recommendations, subject to an update being provided to the Improving Lives Select Commission in January, 2020 on the implementation of the Strategy.

Resolved:- That the publication of the Looked After Children's Sufficiency Strategy be approved.

7. ROTHERHAM'S CULTURAL STRATEGY 2019 - 2026

Further to Minute No. 149 of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 20th May, 2019 when the report was deferred for an Equalities Impact Assessment, consideration was given to the detail of Rotherham's new Cultural Strategy which had been produced in collaboration with members of the public and partners from across the cultural, leisure, green spaces and tourism sectors. This was the first Strategy produced by the local Cultural Partnership Board since it was established in 2018.

The Equalities Impact Assessment was considered by Overview and Scrutiny Management Board at its meeting last week and as a result of that meeting further advice was also taken on the correct terminology around gender and protected characteristics in line with the Equality Act

2010 and any further areas that need correcting would also be amended.

The Overview and Scrutiny Management Board also requested circulation of a structure chart, which would be forwarded onto the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board for information. This was made available to the Cabinet today.

The principles that underpinned this Cultural Strategy were around the wishes of others and the work with young people and children around imagination and reimagining Rotherham. Many wanted to see their town have an unwavering vision that took risks rather than having a reputation. There needed to be better use of the town's greatest strength - diversity.

There were also seven 'game-changers' which were the main activities by which the strategy would be delivered and in particular game-changer Number 7 was for Rotherham to become the capital of children's culture giving young people a platform and an opportunity for them to shape and become creative in their home town.

The Council was the only organisation that was able to apply for a trademark to become the children's capital for culture and was one of the activities from the Cultural Strategy where people were really passionate about partnerships and funding.

This report had been considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board as part of the pre-scrutiny process who were in support of the recommendations, subject to the Equality Analysis being amended to reflect the correct protected characteristics prior to consideration by Cabinet, that a structure chart be developed to outline governance arrangements and lines of accountability and this be circulated to members of Overview and Scrutiny Management Board (circulated today) and that an update be provided in June 2020 to Overview and Scrutiny Management Board on the implementation of the Strategy.

Cabinet Members were in support of the Strategy and acknowledged the importance of cultural activities and believed culture had a role in developing self-esteem, confidence and changing the reputation of the town. Culture brought finance into the borough and supported the economic strategy. In addition, culture actively improved health characteristics and inequalities.

Lessons had been learnt from recent events in Rotherham and the Council were listening to and celebrating with children and young people and putting them at the heart of the things that were done. It was important that over the next five years the ambition and drive to work with Rotherham's young people would achieve the objectives set out in this Strategy.

Resolved:- That the new Cultural Strategy 2019 – 2026 be endorsed.

8. SELECTIVE LICENSING - CONSULTATION ON FUTURE DESIGNATIONS

Consideration was given to the report which detailed how the Council designated four areas for Selective Licensing in May, 2015, covering parts of Maltby, Dinnington, Eastwood and Masbrough, with the aim of delivering improved conditions within the private rented sector. These designations would expire on 30th April, 2020.

The current scheme and its designations have delivered significant improvements to the condition of private rented housing stock, and to the health and well-being of tenants. Additionally, the scheme had contributed to tackling anti-social behaviour, high turnover of tenancies and empty properties, through driving better landlord management practices and housing quality.

This report, therefore, demonstrated the successes of the current designations and identified areas within those designations that would benefit from a continuation of the Selective Licensing scheme to assist in tackling the deprivation within these communities. In addition, a further area within Maltby (Little London) had since been identified where a designation would assist in tackling significant housing condition problems.

Cabinet Members welcomed the consultation and urged residents to come forward and raise any issues that they believed should be included as part of the consultation process.

Resolved:- (1) That public consultation on the proposed designation areas for Selective Licensing of private rented housing be approved.

(2) That a further report be submitted to Cabinet in January, 2020 on the outcome of the public consultation to consider designating Selective Licensing areas.

9. DESIGNATION OF SELECTIVE LICENSING AREAS - PARKGATE AND THURCROFT

Further to Minute No. 22 of the Cabinet and Commissioners' Decision Making Meeting held on 6th August 2018, which approved a period of public consultation regarding the potential benefits of designating areas of Thurcroft and Parkgate for Selective Licensing of private rented housing.

This report, therefore, now provided detail of the feedback from the consultation with the majority of respondents expressing support for a mandatory selective licensing scheme, based on the evidence of deprivation, anti-social behaviour and environmental issues in these areas and the responses, comments and representations received.

Overall, 61% of respondents (221 responses) supported the idea of introducing Selective Licensing in these areas, with 18% (68 responses) disagreeing with the introduction. Of those supporting the introduction 68% of residents and businesses were in favour of introducing Selective Licensing in Thurgroft and Parkgate; 65% of landlords were against the proposals.

Local Elected Members in Rawmarsh and Rother Vale Wards have been fully involved and were consulted at all stages of the process.

The Supreme Court judgement, *Brown v Hyndburn Borough Council*, 2018, did impact directly on the conditions that could be applied to licences issued under a Selective Licensing designation. Critically the findings of the Court prohibited the imposition of discretionary conditions on Selective Licences relating to the safety of property, as these matters could be effectively dealt with under primary legislation.

As a result the Supreme Court findings have been taken into account and the existing Selective Licensing conditions have been reviewed and updated of which Appendix 3 provided an overview of the review of the original forty-nine, followed by the listing of the updated thirty-five conditions that would be applied to new licences under the new designations.

Cabinet Members welcomed the impact that Selective Licensing had had in some areas and deemed it appropriate for this to be considered in other areas where it could make a difference to people's lives and living conditions.

Resolved:- (1) That the strong evidence and public support for the Selective Licensing of Private Rented properties in Thurgroft and Parkgate be noted.

(2) That the two areas in Thurgroft and Parkgate detailed in this report be designated as Selective Licensing Areas under Part 3 of the Housing Act 2004 through the designation orders in Appendix 5, subject to confirmation by the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government.

(3) That the Selective Licensing Conditions contained in Appendix 3 in the new designation orders be adopted for all new licences granted across Rotherham.

(4) That, further to the adoption of the Selective Licensing conditions contained as at Appendix 3, approval be given to the proposed licence fee structure for the Thurgroft and Parkgate areas as set out in paragraph 6.1 of the report, and the application of this fee structure to all new Selective licences granted in Selective Licensing areas across Rotherham.

(5) That the Assistant Director, Community Safety and Street Scene, be required to apply to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government to confirm the designations.

10. ROTHERHAM EMPLOYMENT AND SKILLS STRATEGY

Consideration was given to the report which provided detail of the Rotherham Employment and Skills Strategy and sought Cabinet endorsement of its adoption by Council.

The Strategy was a Rotherham Together Partnership (RTP) document linking to the existing Rotherham Economic Growth Plan to provide a framework for delivery of employment and skills activity over the next five years. This was essential to provide a suitably enterprising and skilled local workforce to drive forward the sustainable long-term growth of the Rotherham economy and allow it to compete in an increasingly global economy.

Following endorsement work would continue with the Business Growth Board to make sure that actions underneath the Strategy were put into place and an action plan drawn up with meaningful milestones and targets.

The Strategy had a role for schools to work with businesses and Enterprise Co-ordinators and one good example was the event held at Magna recently. This was also linked to the advanced manufacturing employment sector with gains in terms of companies such as McLaren, Boeing and Rolls Royce, not just in Rotherham, but across the whole innovation district.

This report had been considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board as part of the pre-scrutiny process who were in support of the recommendations, subject to the design of the document being accessible, consideration of what steps could be taken to address barriers to employment or training such as lack of photographic identification or access to bank accounts, how meaningful work experience opportunities could be given to young people, that the Equality Analysis be reviewed to ensure that it reflects sex/gender inequality in the employment and skills market and that a detailed action plan be provided with clear, targets, milestones and measures in three months' time to Improving Places Select Commission.

Resolved:- (1) That the Rotherham Employment and Skills Strategy be endorsed.

(2) That responsibility for delivering and monitoring of the Strategy sits with the Business Growth Board of the Rotherham Together Partnership (RTP) be noted.

(3) That monitoring of the Strategy on a six-monthly basis, with the results reported through the Business Growth Board of RTP, be noted.

11. PROPOSAL FOR A PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDER IN THE FITZWILLIAM ROAD AREA

Further to Minute No. 129 of the Cabinet held on 18th March, 2019, consideration was given to the report which launched targeted consultation in relation to a proposed Public Space Protection Order for the Fitzwilliam Road area. The draft order published proposed a range of conditions.

Ward Members were supportive of an Order following an increase in anti-social behaviour and as a result more than twenty events were held as part of the consultation process given the diverse community in that area. Time was taken with Ward Members to speak to people with strong support. 74% of people believed a Public Space Protection Order would help with some of the issues along the Fitzwilliam Road area with two-thirds of people there experiencing at least one of the types of anti-social behaviour. This was clearly affecting people's lives and just another tool to tackle the concerns.

Having listened to feedback changes were made to the Order around vehicle nuisance, which involved speeding and parking (which were a Police issue) and not something that could be included. These issues would be picked up elsewhere.

Concern had also been expressed about drug use and drug dealing and whilst this was not directly for the Public Space Protection Order to deal with, a multi-agency plan would be developed to deal specifically with this issue.

Issues relating to noise, drinking, abusive language and tidiness of business premises could be included as a tool to improve the area alongside Fixed Penalty Notices. Tidy gardens were an issue in this area and also across the borough and there was a specific recommendation for officers to draw up a wider proposal around a Tidy Gardens Scheme.

This report had been considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board as part of the pre-scrutiny process who were in support of the recommendations, subject to there being an update provided to Improving Places Select Commission in six months' time on the implementation of the Public Space Protection Order

Cabinet Members noted that from the consultation one of the concerns that was raised was about the use of language that caused or was likely to cause harassment, which was determined as an existing offence under the Public Order Act 1986 and needed to be mirrored by officers in applying the same kind of principles as part of the Order.

One issue that did need to be considered was around a person's ability to pay a fine. Whilst this Order was about changing behaviour in the area, it was not necessarily about financial matters. Whilst a fine was a big driver in a penalty, if people could genuinely not pay other mechanisms would need to be used to enable behavioural change, such as community payback.

It was important people were treated fairly and the rules applied equally, but the easiest way to avoid a fine was not to carry out the inappropriate behaviour in the first place.

The Council would draw on its experience from the Town Centre Public Spaces Protection Order on how to deal with specific issues.

Resolved:- (1) That the implementation of a Public Space Protection Order on the boundaries as shown as draft in Appendix 1, for the maximum three year period be approved.

(2) That the specific conditions recommended in Section 7 and captured within the draft Order at Appendix 1 be approved and adopted.

(3) That the action to pilot a 'Tidy Garden Scheme' in relation to waste in gardens be noted.

12. MODERN SLAVERY UPDATE AND TRANSPARENCY STATEMENT 2019-20

Consideration was given to the report which provided an update in relation to the activity of the Council and its partners, in seeking to both address and prevent modern slavery. The report focussed specifically on actions following the resolution passed by Council to adopt the Co-operative Party Charter against Modern Slavery on the 25th July, 2018.

It highlighted key achievements, such as work alongside suppliers to increase compliance with the Modern Slavery Act 2015, which had seen an increase in verified compliance.

The Council initially identified seventeen suppliers that were required to comply with the Modern Slavery Act, but where compliance, in particular publication of a transparency statement, could not be verified. The Council identified eight of those were current suppliers. Contact was made with all eight suppliers to inform them of their obligations and to ask for an update in relation to compliance. This led to all eight companies becoming compliant.

There were also issues around support for victims and the referral mechanism only gave a victim forty-five days of support. The Council were fully supportive of a national campaign to make this a year long level of support to overcome the trauma of what they had been through and give them time to stabilise their lives through housing and employment.

Cabinet Members paid tribute to the Cabinet Member and officers involved in this Statement and expressed the need for more work with community and the voluntary sector to raise awareness and progress. The local Modern Slavery Partnership had also been launched and Councillor Short was thanked for his support, input and his challenge.

The report also introduced a refreshed transparency statement for the period 2019 to 2020 for approval.

Resolved:- (1) That the progress against commitments made be noted.

(2) That the refreshed Transparency Statement be approved for publication.

13. ADOPTION OF A SEX ESTABLISHMENT LICENSING POLICY

Consideration was given to the report which confirmed, following public consultation, the passing of a resolution by Council on 22nd May, 2019 to adopt powers to regulate sex establishments across Rotherham from 1st July 2019. The adoption by Council of Schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982, now allowed the Council to set a clear Policy.

The proposed Policy would cover all sexual entertainment venues, sex cinemas and sex shops. If adopted, the Policy would allow the Local Authority to better regulate Sex Establishments, taking account of the views of residents, including the appropriate number and localities for such establishments and the establishment of welfare conditions for those working within such establishments.

Based on the feedback from public consultation this report proposed the adoption of a Sex Establishments Policy, to be effective from 1st July, 2019.

Whilst the Council would still be required to consider applications when they arose, the Policy proposed that the appropriate number of Sex Entertainment Venues and Sex Cinemas in each Ward of the Borough was nil.

The feedback received was reflected upon and there was clear evidence from residents that sex establishments should be regulated and there was no suitable location for lap-dancing clubs anywhere in Rotherham, although applications for such could still be made.

Residents did not feel that establishments such as this were in-keeping with what was trying to be done in Rotherham and gender inequality was an issue, which was picked up as part of the Equality Impact Assessment.

Examples of living conditions near sex establishments, details of humiliating and lewd comments and inequalities and exploitation within the venues were provided. Tighter regulations around workers' rights were included to give more protection.

There was some assumption that the rules that applied to sexual entertainment venues were not applied to sex shops. Rotherham currently had one sex shop.

The main focus for the feedback had been around sexual entertainment venues, but different feedback had been made from residents around sex shops where they found them to be more appropriate in an industrial location away from areas with children and young people.

As a result new guidance would be issued and reflected in the role of the Licensing Committee.

Whilst it was proposed the new Policy be implemented from the 1st July, 2019, there would be a transition period for existing establishments of twelve months to come in line with the new Policy, when they would need to reapply.

This report had been considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board as part of the pre-scrutiny process who were fully in support of the recommendations and welcomed the detail set out in the Equality Impact Assessment.

The Cabinet Member thanked all those involved in the formulation of this Policy and the engagement throughout the consultation process, especially the women who came forward and shared their experiences. In particular Councillor Clark was praised for being actively involved in some of the face to face consultation and in her support in hearing first-hand about some of the issues.

Resolved:- (1) That the attached reports including the Equality Analysis and the consultation document appended to this report be duly regarded and noted.

(2) That the proposed Sex Establishment Licensing Policy be adopted (see Appendix 2), including: proposed limits on the numbers of Sex Establishments in localities of the Borough and the types of areas where Sex Establishments would/would not be deemed appropriate; to be effective from 1st July 2019.

(3) That the charging arrangements for the licensing of Sex Establishments, to be effective from 1st July, 2019, be approved.

14. LICENSING ACT 2003 - STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY

Consideration was given to a report which detailed under Section 5 of the Act, how a Licensing Authority must prepare a Licensing Act 2003 Statement of Licensing Policy (a 'Statement of Licensing Policy') which effectively set out the principles it proposed to apply in exercising functions under the Act.

The Council was now seeking to develop a revised Licensing Act 2003 Statement of Licensing Policy, which balanced the need to encourage a vibrant and dynamic entertainment industry as part of the regeneration of the Borough, and the need to ensure that concerns relating to health and public disorder were effectively addressed. To support this, the Council proposed and sought approval to undertake consultation to seek the views of key stakeholders and residents of Rotherham, to inform the development of a draft Policy.

In addition the Council proposed to undertake a 'Cumulative Impact Assessment', to identify any potential parts of the Borough where further granting of licences or variations to licences could impact on the Council's obligations in respect of the Licensing Objectives. This would be used to support determinations under the Policy.

Resolved:- (1) That public consultation be approved to commence, in line with Option 3 (Section 3), to inform the development of the Council's Licensing Act 2003 Statement of Licensing Policy.

(2) That Officers undertake a Cumulative Impact Assessment in respect of licensable activities, to support the development of a Licensing Act 2003 Statement of Licensing Policy.

15. GAMBLING ACT 2005 - STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY

Consideration was given to the report that detailed how under Section 349 of the Gambling Act 2005 a Licensing Authority was required to prepare and publish a statement of its licensing policy at least every three years.

The Council was now seeking to develop a revised Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Licensing Policy that, whilst acknowledging that gambling was a legitimate leisure activity that many people enjoyed and one that generated income, sought to protect residents from the potential harm that could be caused by problem gambling.

To support this, the Council proposed and sought approval to undertake consultation to seek the views of key stakeholders and residents of Rotherham, to inform the development of a draft Policy.

In addition the Council also proposed to develop 'Area Risk Profiles', to identify any potential parts of the Borough where further granting of licences or variations to licences could impact on the Council's obligations

in respect of the Licensing Objectives. This would be used to support determinations under the Policy.

Resolved:- (1) That approval be given to commence public consultation, in line with Option 3 (Section 3), to inform the development of the Council's Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Licensing Policy.

(2) That commencement of a study be approved into the individual and cumulative impact of gambling across the Borough to develop a Local Area Risk Profile, to support the Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Licensing Policy.

16. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT BOARD

Consideration was given to the circulated report, the contents of which were included as part of the relevant item and the details included accordingly.

17. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Resolved:- That the next meeting of the Cabinet take place on Monday, 8th July, 2019 at 10.00 a.m.

Committee Name and Date of Committee Meeting

Council – 24 July 2019

Report Title

Membership of Political Groups on the Council, Political Balance and Entitlement to Seats

Is this a Key Decision and has it been included on the Forward Plan?

No

Strategic Director Approving Submission of the Report

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Borough-Wide

Report Summary

The Proper Officer is required to notify the Council of any change in the political balance of the authority or the operation of new political groups under the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990. Since the Annual Meeting on 22 May 2019, the Proper Officer has received notification of the operation of a new political group.

With effect from 16 July 2019, there are two political groups in operation on the Council – the Brexit Party Group (12 Members) and the Labour Group (48 Members) – with three non-aligned Members, who are not in a political group.

There are 149 seats available on committees, boards and panels and under the calculation the Labour Group is entitled to 114 seats and the Brexit Party Group is entitled to 28. This leaves 7 seats which cannot be given to members of the political groups and should be allocated to the three non-aligned councillors.

The authority has two seats on the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel, one of which was appointed to on 22 May 2019. The current vacancy must be filled by a member of the Brexit Party Group and be appointed to by the Council.

Recommendations

1. That the operation of two political groups on the Council and the detail of their designated Leaders be noted:
 - (a) Labour Group – Councillor Chris Read (Leader of the Council)

(b) Brexit Party Group – Councillor Allen Cowles (Leader of the Majority Opposition Group)

2. That the entitlement of the membership of the political groups and non-aligned Members be agreed and such entitlements be reflected in Council's appointments of members to committees.
3. That approval be given to the appointment of Members of the Brexit Party Group to committees, boards and panels, and the appointment of Vice-Chair of the Health Select Commission, as set out on the schedule to be tabled at the meeting.
4. That the Council appoint a representative from the Brexit Party Group to serve on the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel.

List of Appendices Included

None

Background Papers

The Constitution of Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council

Report to Council – 22 May 2019 – *Membership of Political Groups on the Council, Political Balance and Entitlement to Seats*

Minutes of the Council meeting held on 22 May 2019

Consideration by any other Council Committee, Scrutiny or Advisory Panel

No

Council Approval Required

No

Exempt from the Press and Public

No

Membership of Political Groups on the Council, Political Balance and Entitlement to Seats

1. Background

- 1.1 Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 places on local authorities the duty to allocate seats to political groups and sets out the principles to be followed when determining such allocation. The main principles, which must be satisfied sequentially, include:
- (a) That the number of seats on ordinary Committees/Bodies ... which are allocated to each political group bears the same proportion to the total of all the seats on the ordinary Committees of that Authority, as is borne by the Members of that group to the membership of the Authority (i.e. the allocation of the total number of seats available must mirror the political composition of the council).
 - (b) That the number of seats on the Body (Committee, etc.), which are allocated to each political group, bears the same proportion to the number of all the seats on that Body as is borne by the number of Members of that group to the membership of the Authority (i.e. the allocation of seats on individual committees must mirror the political composition of the council).
- 1.2 Local authorities are able to depart from the statutory provisions where there is unanimous agreement to do so.
- 1.3 Those members not in a political group are entitled to a due share of seats, although the council will decide how to allocate seats to non-aligned councillors.

2. Political Groups

- 2.1 The Proper Officer has received formal notification, under the provisions of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990, of the establishment of a new political group in operation. The UK Independence Party Group has become the Brexit Party Group, with effect from 16 July 2019. The effect of this change means that the political balance of the Council is:

Name of Group	Designated Leader (number of Members)
Brexit Party	Councillor Allen Cowles (12 Members)
Labour	Councillor Chris Read (48 Members)

- 2.2 In addition to the change of political group, Councillor Peter Short has given notice to the Proper Officer of his intention to sit as a non-aligned (unaffiliated to a political party) councillor. Whilst Councillor Adam Carter is affiliated to the Liberal Democrats and Councillors Jepson and Short are unaffiliated to a political party, none of these Members belong to a political group. For the purpose of this report, Councillors Carter, Jepson and Short are regarded as non-aligned councillors.

- 2.3 If this section extends beyond two pages, sub-headings should be used to make the report easy to follow.

3. Allocation of Seats

- 3.1 The allocation process must be applied 'so far as is reasonably practicable' to achieve a balanced outcome. The allocation of the 149 seats to the two political groups is determined by the following formula:

$$\frac{\text{Number of Members of Political Group}}{\text{Total Number of Members of Council}} \times \text{Number of Seats to be allocated}$$

For the 149 seats available in applying principle (a) in paragraph 1.1, this gives:

Political Group	Seat Entitlement
Labour	114
Brexit Party	28
Non-aligned	7
TOTAL	149

- 3.2 Application of principle (b) in paragraph 1.1 of this report, relating to the number of seats on individual committees, gives the following:

	Seats Available	Labour	Brexit Party	Non-aligned
Regulatory Committees/Boards				
Audit Committee	5	4	1	0
Licensing Board	21	16	4	1
Licensing Committee	15	11	3	1
Planning Board	15	11	3	1
Staffing Committee	5	4	1	0
Standards and Ethics Committee	8	6	2	0
Overview and Scrutiny				
Overview & Scrutiny Management Board	12	9	2	1
Health Select Commission	18	14	3	1
Improving Lives Select Commission	18	14	3	1
Improving Places Select Commission	18	14	3	1
Other Bodies				
Corporate Parenting Group	5	4	1	0
Introductory Tenancy Review Panel	4	3	1	0
Joint Consultative Committee	5	4	1	0

	Seats Available	Labour	Brexit Party	Non-aligned
TOTAL	149	114	28	7

- 3.2.1 This calculation reflects the entitlement to seats from the calculation under principle (a).
- 3.2.2 Under the application of both principle (a) and principle (b) the non-aligned councillors have an entitlement of 7 seats.
- 3.2.3 As the non-aligned councillors are not a group under the provisions of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990, there is no requirement to appoint those members to those seats. The Council has the discretion to appoint the non-aligned councillors to none, some or all of the four seats available. The Council may not appoint members of other political groups to fill those seats.

4. Appointment of Vice-Chair of Health Select Commission

- 4.1 At the annual meeting of the Council in 2016, the recommendations of the Governance Working Group were approved which introduced a provision for the Vice-Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board to be a member of the main opposition party and for the allocation of the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair on the Select Commissions according to the political balance of the council.
- 4.2 Applying the principles of political balance to the positions available on the council's Overview and Scrutiny bodies, the entitlement is set out in the table below:

	Chairs	Vice-Chairs
Labour	4	2
Brexit Party	0	1 (inc. Overview and Scrutiny Management Board)
TOTAL	4	4

- 4.3 It is a matter for the political groups to nominate Members as Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the Overview and Scrutiny bodies. There is no provision in law or within the Constitution for the other bodies of the council to appoint Chairs or Vice-Chairs according to the authority's political make up.
- 4.4 Following Councillor Short's decision to leave the former UK Independence Party Group, the role of Vice-Chair of Health Select Commission is vacant. With the Brexit Party Group now being the main opposition group on the Council, this role should be filled by a member of the Brexit Party Group. Nominations should be submitted to the Head of Democratic Services prior to the Council meeting on 24 July 2019.

5. South Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel – Appointment of Members

- 5.1 On 22 May 2019, the Council appointed Councillor Sansome to serve on the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel as the Labour Group representative. The Council did not appoint a representative from the former UK Independence Party Group.
- 5.2 The Police & Crime (Nominations, Appointments and Notifications) Regulations 2012 require the Council to notify the Secretary of State where it fails to nominate or appoint to the police and crime panel for the local force area. In June 2019, the Chief Executive wrote to the Home Secretary to advise that the Council did not appoint to the seat to which the former UK Independence Party Group was entitled. In the event of the Council failing to appoint, the Home Secretary will be entitled to discharge powers under these regulations to appoint a representative to serve on the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel.
- 5.3 Following the notification of the operation of a new political group, the entitlement to nominate to the vacancy on the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel has transferred to the Brexit Party Group. The Council will then be required to vote on the nomination received to confirm the appointment to the Police and Crime Panel.

6. Timetable and Accountability for Implementing this Decision

- 6.1 Following the change in political balance and the operation of a new political group, there is a requirement for the Council to make appointments to committees, boards and panels, as well as to the South Yorkshire Police Crime Panel at its meeting on 24 July 2019.

7. Financial and Procurement Advice and Implications

- 7.1 There are no financial and procurement implications directly arising from this report.

8. Legal Advice and Implications

- 8.1 The legislative requirements in respect of political balance and entitlement to seats are set out earlier in this report. In addition to this, the report has confirmed that the authority to appoint a representative to the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel will transfer from the authority to the Home Secretary in the event of the Council failing to appoint a Member to serve on that joint committee.

9. Human Resources Advice and Implications

- 9.1 There are no human resources implications arising from this report.

10. Implications for Children and Young People and Vulnerable Adults

- 10.1 The appointment of members to serve on committees and other bodies of the council will indirectly impact on children and young people and vulnerable adults through the activities and decisions of those bodies. There are no apparent direct implications at the time of writing this report.

11. Equalities and Human Rights Advice and Implications

- 11.1 There are no equalities implications arising from the report. Political groups are required to have regard to the provisions of the Equality Act 2010 when nominating Member appointments to committees and other offices.

12. Implications for Partners

- 12.1 The appointment of councillors to serve on external bodies and partnerships is designed to have a positive impact on the council's relationship with those organisations and enhance the relationship through the presence of accountable and elected representatives.

13. Risks and Mitigation

- 13.1 By having regard to the detail of the report above in respect of meeting statutory requirements, any risk implications will have been mitigated. Consequently there are no risks to be borne in mind in respect of the recommendations.

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Summary Sheet

Committee Name and Date of Committee Meeting

Council – 24 July 2019

Report Title

Council Plan Refresh 2019-20

Is this a Key Decision and has it been included on the Forward Plan?

Yes

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Ward(s) Affected

Borough-wide

Summary

At its meeting on 20 May 2019, the Cabinet considered a report detailing proposals to refresh the Council Plan for the 2019-20 financial year.

The original report providing detail to the proposals is appended in order to provide Members with sufficient knowledge to agree the proposals.

In order to give effect to the recommendations from Cabinet, consideration and approval by Council must be given to the recommendation set out below.

Recommendations

1. That the Council Plan 2019-20 be adopted.

List of Appendices Included

Appendix A Report to Cabinet (20 May 2019) – Council Plan Refresh
Appendix 1 Revised Council Plan for 2019-2020
Appendix 2 Initial Equality Screening Assessment

Background Papers

None

Consideration by any other Council Committee, Scrutiny or Advisory Panel

Cabinet – 20 May 2019

Overview and Scrutiny Management Board – 4 July 2018

Council Approval Required

Yes

Exempt from the Press and Public

No

Committee Name and Date of Committee Meeting

Cabinet – 20 May 2019

Report Title

Council Plan Refresh for 2019-2020

Is this a Key Decision and has it been included on the Forward Plan?

Yes

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Ward(s) Affected

Borough-wide

Report Summary

The 2017-2020 Council Plan is the core document that underpins the Council's overall vision, setting out headline priorities and measures that will demonstrate its delivery.

Alongside it sits the corporate Performance Management Framework, explaining to all Council staff how robust performance monitoring and management arrangements (including supporting service business plans) are in place to ensure focus on implementation. The Performance Management Framework was refreshed in February 2019.

The final, quarter 4, performance report for 2018-2019 will be presented to Cabinet in July. This will assess the Council's performance against the target measures that were set in May 2018.

Services have recently reviewed their performance throughout the year in order to determine new targets for 2019-2020. Although the 2017-2020 Council Plan is intended to cover three financial years, it is good practice to carry out an annual review of the performance measures included in it. The refreshed performance measures and targets have been set by services using reference to both in year performance, benchmarking data and the priorities for the coming year. The overall number of measures has reduced from 72 in 2018-2019 to 69 for 2019-2020.

To ensure that the delivery of actions and their impact is assessed, formal quarterly performance reports will continue to be presented in public at Cabinet meetings, with an opportunity for pre-Scrutiny consideration if required.

The Council Plan for 2019-2020 included in Appendix 1 provides an analysis of the Council's proposed 69 measures against its 14 key delivery outcomes.

Recommendations

1. That the refreshed Council Plan for 2019-2020 be agreed and accepted.
2. That Council be recommended to adopt the refreshed Council Plan for 2019-20.
3. That quarterly performance reports continue to be presented to public Cabinet meetings, with opportunities for pre-decision scrutiny.

List of Appendices Included

Appendix 1 Revised Council Plan for 2019-2020

Appendix 2 Initial Equality Screening Assessment

Background Papers

'Views from Rotherham' report, October 2015

Performance Management Framework 2018

RMBC Council Plan 2017-2020 – Cabinet Agenda 25th June 2017 and revised indicators for 2018-2019 – Cabinet Agenda 21st May 2018

Corporate Performance Report 2018-2019 Quarter 3 – Cabinet Agenda 17th September 2018.

Consideration by any other Council Committee, Scrutiny or Advisory Panel

Council – 24 July 2019

Council Approval Required

Yes

Exempt from the Press and Public

No

Council Plan Refresh for 2019-2020

1. Background

- 1.1 The Council Plan covers a three year period (2017-2020), setting out the vision, priorities and measures to assess progress. Each year, a short “refresh” of the Council Plan is carried out and this paper sets out the results of this year’s review. Cabinet last approved a revised Council Plan on 21st May 2018. Although it is a three year plan, it is important that the Council reviews and refreshes the measures contained in the Council Plan at least annually.
- 1.2 Strategic Directors have reviewed their performance measures as well as refreshing and clarifying those that need amendment. In particular, many measures included in the Council Plan last year were new and data had not previously been collected. As a result of experience over the past twelve months, sufficient information has been collected to enable annual targets to be set for all relevant measures.
- 1.3 This paper and the list of measures included as part of Appendix 1, sets out the changes proposed for the new financial year. This year is the final one of the current three year plan and it is intended to refresh the vision and priorities and move to a more outcome focussed plan for 2020 and beyond. Additionally, Service Plans have been refreshed by each Assistant Director to ensure a ‘golden thread’ runs from the Council Plan through to each service as well as the PDR process. These help to develop a consistent approach across the Council.

2. Key Issues

- 2.1 The refreshed Council Plan (see Appendix 1) now includes 69 measures, down from 72 in the previous financial year. As before, the measures sit under 14 key delivery outcomes, which form the actions under each of the vision priorities:

- *Every child making the best start in life*
- *Every adult secure, responsible and empowered*
- *A strong community in a clean, safe environment*
- *Extending opportunity, prosperity and planning for the future*

These four priorities are underpinned by a fifth, cross-cutting commitment to be a *modern and efficient Council*.

- 2.2 The Council has set targets for all its performance measures in 2019/20 and, in doing so, it retains its high ambitions. The Plan includes high targets and the Council will continue to strive to achieve these ambitious targets over time with the resources available, recognising that some of these are above the national average.
- 2.3 In total, four measures have been removed compared to the 2018-2019 plan; two have been added and there are sixteen refreshed measures which replace fifteen measures in the previous plan. The measures that have changed are:

Measure ref	Measure description	Change
Measures added		
5.D6	Proportion of Cabinet reports where an Initial Equality Screening Assessment has been completed.	<i>A screening assessment should be completed for every Cabinet report and this is an important new measure of compliance with Equalities Legislation.</i>
5.D7	Proportion of Council Staff who have completed the mandatory Equality training.	<i>All staff are required to complete the course, although the target is set at 95% to recognise some degree of staff turnover and sickness.</i>
Measures removed		
n/a removed from updated plan attached	Successful completion of drug treatment b) non opiate users aged 18-75.	<i>Effort is focused on opiate users as the primary concern and performance of the contractor will continue to be monitored through measure 2.A1.</i>
n/a removed from updated plan attached	No. of Safeguarding investigations (Section 42 enquiries) completed per 100,000 population (adults over 18 years).	<i>There is no good or bad performance for this measure and it was included to promote awareness of adult safeguarding issues. This measure will now be monitored by the service rather than in the Council Plan.</i>
n/a removed from updated plan attached	Net new business in the Town Centre.	<i>This measure in part duplicates measure 4.A3 (The proportion of vacant floor space in the Town Centre) and is no longer required.</i>
n/a removed from updated plan attached	% of actions from the Equalities Peer Review that have been implemented.	<i>This was only ever intended to be a stop gap measure and has been replaced by two new measures 5.D6 (Proportion of Cabinet reports where an Initial Equality Screening Assessment has been completed) and 5.D7 (Proportion of council staff who have completed mandatory Equality training).</i>
Measures replaced or amended		
1.A7	The proportion of LAC experiencing disrupted placements.	<i>Replaces "Reduce the number of disrupted placements. (Definition: % of LAC who have had 3 or more placements - rolling 12 months)"</i>
1.B1	The proportion of pupils reaching the expected standard In reading, writing and mathematics combined at the end of Key Stage 2.	<i>Small change to the description of the measure to state "proportion" rather than "%"</i>
1.B2	The average attainment 8 score at the end of Key Stage 4.	<i>Replaces "The average attainment 8 score at the end of Key Stage 4. The progress 8 measure from the end of primary school (KS2) to the end of secondary school (KS4)" and separates the progress 8 measure to 1.B3.</i>
1.B3	The progress 8 measure from the end of primary school (KS2) to the end of secondary school (KS4).	<i>See 1.B2 above.</i>

Measure ref	Measure description	Change
1.B4 (a)	The number of permanent exclusions in secondary schools	<i>The measure has been changed to 'Permanent' exclusions instead of "fixed term exclusions"</i>
1.B4 (b)	The number of permanent exclusions in primary schools	<i>measure has been changed to 'Permanent' exclusions instead of "fixed term exclusions"</i>
1.B5	The proportion of 16-17 year olds Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET) or whose activity is Not Known (NK) i) % 16-17 year old NEET ii) % 16-17 year olds whose activity is Not Known	<i>Description changed slightly to refer to the proportion rather than "%".</i>
1.B6	The proportion of Education and Health Care Plans (EHCPs) that are completed in statutory timescales.	<i>Description changed to drop the words "increase" from the start of the description to ensure that the description is an accurate reflection of the measure itself.</i>
2.B2	The proportion of people contacting Adult Social Care who are provided with information and advice at first point of contact.	<i>Previously only measured the number of people rather than the proportion.</i>
3.A4(a)	The number of on the spot inspections of; Licensed Vehicles and Drivers	<i>Description refined to refer to "Licensed Vehicles and Drivers" rather than just "taxis".</i>
3.A4(b)	The proportion of; a) Licensed Vehicles, b) Drivers found to be compliant with licensing requirements during on the spot inspections.	<i>As above, description now measures both drivers and licensed vehicles.</i>
3.B1(a)	The proportion of the principal road network classified as being in; a) Amber condition b) Red condition	<i>The measure has been changed to include both amber and red condition to avoid a further overall deterioration in the Boroughs road network.</i>
3.B1(b)	The proportion of the non-principal road network classified as being in; a) Amber condition b) Red condition	<i>As 3.B1(a) above</i>
3.B1(c)	The proportion of unclassified roads classified as being in; a) Amber condition b) Red condition	<i>As 3.B1(a) above</i>
4.B2	The proportion of Council Housing stock that is classified as "decent"	<i>Amends previous 4.B2 which measured the % of stock that is "non –decent".</i>
5.D4	The proportion of the children's social care establishment (Social Workers and Team Managers) who are agency staff	<i>Measure changed to show that it is measuring front line social work staff.</i>

- 2.4 In addition to refreshing the Council Plan measures, the front section of the Council Plan has been updated (Chapters 1-8) to reflect the Council's current position including the foreword by the Leader, introduction, demographics, delivering the vision and priorities and working in partnership.

- 2.5 The refreshed measures for the Council Plan continue to reinforce the same values and behaviours that were included as part of the original Corporate Plan developed in 2015. Additionally, the Council Plan supports the delivery of the “game changers” included in The Rotherham Plan 2025, which set out the big, strategic steps towards change that the partners in the Rotherham Plan will focus on. The “game changers” are:

- Building Stronger Communities
- Skills and Employment
- Integrated Health and Social Care
- A place to be proud of
- Town Centre.

The detailed measures included in the plan, along with the Council’s priorities, reflect the work that the Council will do over the coming year to focus on these areas.

- 2.6 Through the guidance and direction set out in the supporting Performance Management Framework, relevant plans are in place at different levels of the organisation to provide the critical ‘golden thread’ that ensures everyone is working together to achieve the Council’s strategic priorities. Service Plans have been produced to ensure that officers develop a consistent approach which is followed across the Council, and this process is supported by direct linkages to the Performance and Development Review (PDR) process for Council staff. The Performance Management Framework was updated in February 2019 to reflect the Council’s current position. The structure and principles within the framework have not changed, however the framework has been updated to include current strategies, policies and frameworks, the One Rotherham Values, an updated performance management reporting cycle, updated roles and responsibilities and remove reference to the Commissioners.
- 2.7 To ensure the plan is effectively performance managed, quarterly performance reports will continue to be provided to the public Cabinet meetings, where there will be further opportunities for pre-Scrutiny consideration, in line with current governance arrangements. The reports include both performance data and broader narrative to demonstrate what is being achieved and the impacts and outcomes being delivered across the borough. It is anticipated that the reports will be presented to the following Cabinet meetings during 2019/2020:
- Quarter 1 Performance Report (performance to end June 2019) – 16th September 2019
 - Quarter 2 Performance Report (performance to end September 2019) – 16th December 2019
 - Quarter 3 Performance Report (performance to end December 2019) – 23rd March 2020
 - Quarter 4 and Year-end Performance Report (performance to end March 2020) – June/July 2020 (exact date TBC).

3. Options considered and recommended proposal

- 3.1 The refreshed measures for the 2019-2020 financial year as part of the 2017-2020 Council Plan have been developed in consultation with Cabinet Members as well as officers across the Council's service areas.
- 3.2 It is recommended that Cabinet agree and accept the refreshed Council Plan for 2019-2020 (Appendix 1) and recommend to Council the adoption of the plan. Performance Reports will continue to be presented on a quarterly basis to public Cabinet meetings, as outlined above, with continued opportunities for pre-scrutiny.

4. Consultation

- 4.1 The Leader and Chief Executive have held regular events with staff which have included progress on the measures within the Council Plan.
- 4.2 Focus groups, M3 manager meetings, as well as the "Views from Rotherham" consultation conducted in 2015, have all also provided opportunities to help define the new values and behaviours for the organisation contained within the Plan. Trades Unions have also seen the values and behaviours and will be included in considerations around the roll out of these.
- 4.3 The quarterly reporting template and performance scorecard has been developed in consultation with performance officers, the Strategic Leadership and Cabinet Members.

5. Timetable and Accountability for Implementing this Decision

- 5.1 Following approval, it is proposed that the first quarterly Performance Report for the new measures will be presented to the public Cabinet meeting on 16th September 2019. Paragraph 2.7 sets out an outline forward programme of further quarterly performance reports.

6. Financial and Procurement Implications

- 6.1 The Council Plan supports the budget framework in setting a balanced budget aligned to Council priorities and robust arrangements for regular monitoring of the Council's finances, ensuring financial sustainability over the medium term.
- 6.2 The Council operates in a constantly changing environment and will need to be mindful of the impact that changes in central Government policy, forthcoming legislation and the changing financial position of the authority will have on its ability to meet strategic, corporate priorities and performance targets; and that ambitions remain realistic.
- 6.3 Whilst there are no direct procurement implications as a result of this report, any identified need to procure goods, services or works in relation to achieving the Council Plan objectives should be referred to the Corporate Procurement Service in order to ensure all projects are in line with the relevant internal Financial and Procurement Rules and the UK Public Contract Regulations 2015 as well as other relevant EU/UK legislation governing procurement practice.

- 6.4 The Quarterly Council Plan Performance Reports include information regarding the Council's financial position and further work is required to link the budgets to the Council Plan priorities and align the performance and financial reporting timelines.

7. Legal Implications

- 7.1 While there is no specific statutory requirement for the Council to have a Council Plan, being clear about the Council's ambitions gives staff, partners, residents and central Government a clear understanding of what it seeks to achieve and how it will prioritise its spending decisions.
- 7.2 An effective and embedded Council Plan is also a key part of the Council's ongoing improvement journey.

8. Human Resources Implications

- 8.1 There are no direct Human Resources (HR) implications as a result of this report, though the contribution HR makes to a fully functioning organisation and dynamic workforce is set out within the plan and Performance Report (Priority 5 – a modern, efficient Council). Continued application of the values and behaviours requires engagement with all sections of the workforce and it is a key role for managers across the organisation, led by the Chief Executive and wider Senior Leadership Team.

9. Implications for Children and Young People and Vulnerable Adults

- 9.1 The Council Plan has a core focus on the needs of children and young people and vulnerable adults and this is embedded in the Council Plan under Priority 1, "Every child making the best start in life".

10. Equalities and Human Rights Implications

- 10.1 Ensuring that the Council meets its equalities and human rights duties and obligations is central to how it manages its performance, sets its priorities and delivers services across the board.
- 10.2 The refreshed Council Plan includes two new equality measures focussed around the completion Initial Equality Screening Assessments for all Cabinet reports and the proportion of staff that have completed mandatory Equality Training.
- 10.3 An Initial Equality Screening Assessment has been completed and is attached (**see Appendix 2**). The screening assessment has determined that an Equality Analysis is not required.

11. Implications for Partners

- 11.1 Partnership working is central to the Council Plan. The formal partnership structure for Rotherham, the 'Rotherham Together Partnership' (RTP), launched "The Rotherham Plan 2025" in March 2017. The plan describes how local partners plan to work together to deliver effective, integrated services, making best use of their collective resources. The refreshed Council Plan links to The Rotherham Plan by picking up the "Game Changers" and describes how the Council intends to deliver its part of the plan.

12. Risks and Mitigation

- 12.1 Specific risks will be managed via the monthly and quarterly performance management and reporting arrangements noted within this report. Directorates will also work to ensure that any significant risks are addressed via directorate and Corporate Risk Registers. An exercise has already been carried out to ensure that there is a clear link between the Council's Service Plans and Directorate Risk Registers.
- 12.2 The Corporate Strategic Risk Register is structured to identify and mitigate strategic risks aligned to the Council Plan. The process of updating and identifying strategic risks is designed to enable the Council to manage risks connected to the Council Plan.

13. Accountable Officer(s)

Sharon Kemp, Chief Executive
Shokat Lal, Assistant Chief Executive

Approvals obtained on behalf of:

	Named Officer	Date
Strategic Director of Finance & Customer Services	Paul Stone	29.04.2019
Assistant Director of Legal Services	Stuart Fletcher	30.04.2019
Assistant Director of Human Resources	Theresa Caswell	26.04.2019
Head of Procurement	Karen Middlebrook	25.04.2019

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FOREWORD BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

The Council's vision was originally agreed in 2015 and the Council is now entering the next stage of our journey. We've redefined what we stand for, through a clear vision for the borough and organisation and changed how we make decisions, so we're more open and accountable than ever before. We've redesigned how we work with other agencies, to drive forward some of the key changes we want to see. And even as we face unprecedented financial pressures, we're working hard to deliver better services, focussed on the priorities set for us by the public.

We are now in a far better place than when we started our improvement journey and we're keen to celebrate our success and reflect on the progress made.

We're very proud of our achievements including Children and Young People's services being rated as 'good' by Ofsted, Rotherham continuing to be the fastest growing economy in Yorkshire and the final Independent Health Check stated that the pace of improvement across the Council had increased beyond their expectations. As a result of the improvements made, government intervention ceased on 31st March 2019 and Council services have returned to democratic control.

During 2019 -20 and beyond the 'Big Hearts, Big Changes' Programme will help the Council to address the financial challenges and ensure there are positive changes for local residents. Delivering better outcomes for our children and young people, economic growth and improving high-level skills and education attainment, making full use of the University Centre, will continue to be a priority.

There will also be focus on putting communities at the heart of everything we do through the delivery of The Rotherham Neighbourhood Strategy 2018-25 and we are committed to working with local people to find solutions to local issues and build on our local heritage and assets.

Although there are many challenges in the years ahead, we look forward to working with partners and local residents to tackle these.



Cllr Chris Read
Leader of the Council

2 INTRODUCTION

Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council is entering its first year without Commissioner oversight following the ending of Government intervention which ran from February 2015 to the end of March 2019.

Now that all powers have been returned, the Council is continuing to reform its services, practices and culture. Like all local authorities across the country it is doing so against an annually reducing budget from Government and increasing costs and demand for services.

Led by the Council's elected members and senior management team, the authority has redefined what it stands for, what its priorities are as well as and its ambitions for the borough.

This Council Plan sets out how it will deliver against these priorities to create a Rotherham where young people are supported by their families and community and are protected from harm; where every adult is supported to live independently and enjoy good health and wellbeing; where residents **can** benefit from well paid jobs, quality housing and transport; and where opportunity is extended to everyone and no one is left behind.

The plan includes high targets and the Council will continue to strive to achieve these ambitious targets over time with the resources available, recognising that some of these are above the national average.

To ensure the Council remains focussed on the areas which are important to the people of Rotherham, the Council proposes to revisit the vision and priorities for 2020 and beyond.



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OUR ROTHERHAM



110²m

Rotherham is a borough covering **110 square miles**



Rotherham's population of **263,400** mostly live in **urban areas**



Rotherham has **50,900 children** aged **0-15** and **26,100 young people** aged **16-24**



The population is ageing, with **66,400 people** aged **over 60**



22,500 are aged over 75 and **6,000** over 85 with an additional **550 over 85s** expected by 2021

Rotherham has a diverse community which included over **20,000 people from minority ethnic groups (8.1%)** in 2011. The largest communities are **Pakistani/Kashmiri and Slovak/Czech Roma**. It is also made up of many towns, villages and suburbs which form a wide range of geographic communities.

The borough benefits from a vibrant **voluntary and community sector (VCS)**, comprising almost **1,400 organisations** with **3,600 staff** and around **49,000 volunteer roles**.

It is estimated that the paid VCS workforce contributes **£99m to the economy per annum** and that volunteers provide approximately **85,000 hours of time per week**.

Rotherham lost 14,000 jobs between 2007 and 2012, but job numbers have now reached 99,000 - above pre-recession levels. There are 7,115 enterprises in Rotherham, with the figure increasing by 29% over the last five years.



Average Attainment 8 score and the Progress 8 score for key stage 4 pupils (aged 16) **are both slightly below the national average** and the attainment of children from poorer families is considerably lower



Performance for children **achieving a good level of development at the early years foundation stage** (up to age 5) **is above the national average and third highest in the region**



Rotherham has a wealth of **green space across the borough**, in the form of **country and urban parks, nature reserves, woodlands and playing fields**. Although used well in some areas, others offer an often untapped resource within communities



In the town centre, **award winning transformation work continues with new developments** including **Forge Island, university campus, market and interchange redevelopments**, and new **riverside housing**

The Council

Rotherham Council is a metropolitan borough council and is responsible for providing a range of services including social care, planning, housing, revenue and benefits support, licensing, business regulation and enforcement, electoral registration, refuse and recycling, leisure, culture, parks and green spaces, economic growth, highways maintenance, education and skills, community safety and public health.

It also has an important role in working with other providers of public services across Rotherham for approximately 260,000 residents and 100,000 people who work in Rotherham (37,000 from outside the borough).

The Council's constitution sets out how the Council operates, how decisions are made and the procedures that are followed to ensure that this is efficient, transparent and accountable to local people.

The Council has 63 councillors, representing 21 wards inside the Rotherham Borough geographical boundary. The Council is currently led by a Labour Cabinet of eight Members.

Council Cabinet



**Councillor
Chris Read**
Leader of
Rotherham
Council



**Councillor
Gordon Watson**
Deputy Leader
Children and
Young Peoples
Services and
Neighbourhood
Working



**Councillor
Saghir Alam**
Corporate
Services and
Finance



**Councillor
Dominic Beck**
Housing



**Councillor
Emma Hoddinott**
Waste, Roads
and Community
Safety



**Councillor
Denise Lelliott**
Jobs and the
Local Economy



**Councillor
David Roche**
Adult Social
Care and Health



**Councillor
Sarah Allen**
Cleaner, Greener
Communities

There are a number of committees and panels which are responsible for decision making within the organisation, including Council, Cabinet, Audit Committee, Standards and Ethics Committee and Scrutiny. Details of all these, as well as copies of agendas, papers and official minutes of proceedings can be found on the Council's website at: <http://moderngov.rotherham.gov.uk>.

The day-to-day management of the Council and its services is overseen by the Strategic Leadership Team and led by the Chief Executive, Sharon Kemp.

Chief Executive and Strategic Directors



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OUR VISION AND PRIORITIES

During the summer of 2015, the Leader of the Council and the Commissioners, supported by other leading councillors and a range of partners, met with people across Rotherham to listen to their views and their priorities for the future. The 'Views from Rotherham' consultation was based on 27 roadshow sessions as well as the Rotherham Show, a 'Chamber means Business' event and an online consultation. In total, the views of around 1,800 people were received and a 'Views from Rotherham' consultation report was published in September 2015 to summarise the key findings.

The Leader of the Council, in consultation with other elected members, has used the feedback received to define a new vision for the borough, as follows:

Rotherham is our home, where we come together as a community, where we seek to draw on our proud history to build a future we can all share. We value decency and dignity and seek to build a town where opportunity is extended to everyone, where people can grow, flourish and prosper, and where no one is left behind.

To achieve this as a council we must work in a modern, efficient way, to deliver sustainable services in partnership with our local neighbourhoods, looking outwards, yet focussed relentlessly on the needs of our residents.

To this end we set out four priorities:

- 1 **Every child making the best start in life**
- 2 **Every adult secure, responsible and empowered**
- 3 **A strong community in a clean, safe environment**
- 4 **Extending opportunity, prosperity and planning for the future**



In order to deliver this vision for the borough the Council is committed to work in the following ways:

Every child making the best start in life

We are working to ensure that Rotherham becomes a child-friendly borough, where young people are supported by their families and community, and are protected from harm. We will focus on the rights and voice of the child; keeping children safe and healthy; ensuring children reach their potential; creating an inclusive borough; and harnessing the resources of communities to engender a sense of place. We want a Rotherham where young people can thrive and go on to lead successful lives. Children and young people need the skills, knowledge and experience to fully participate in a highly skilled economy.

A strong community in a clean safe environment

We are committed to a Rotherham where residents live good quality lives in a place where people come together and contribute as one community, where people value decency and dignity and where neighbourhoods are safe, clean, green and well-maintained.

Every adult secure, responsible and empowered

We want to help all adults enjoy good health and live independently for as long as possible and to support people to make choices about how best to do this. We want a Rotherham where vulnerable adults, such as those with disabilities and older people and their carers, have the necessary support within their community.

Extending opportunity, prosperity and planning for the future

We are building a borough where people can grow, flourish and prosper. We will promote innovation and growth in the local economy, encourage regeneration, strengthen the skills of the local workforce and support people into jobs. We want a Rotherham where residents are proud to live and work.

A modern, efficient Council

This underpins the Council's ability to deliver the vision for Rotherham. It enables local people and the Government to be confident in its effectiveness, responsiveness to local need and accountability to citizens. A modern, efficient council will provide value for money, customer-focused services, make best use of the resources available to it, be outward looking and work effectively with partners.

OUR VALUES AND BEHAVIOURS – One Rotherham

We know that it is important that we work together and have a shared understanding which underpins our approach. The One Rotherham Values demonstrate how we behave with each other, our partners, elected members and customers.



Honest

Open & truthful in everything we say & do

- Share information wherever possible
- Be open to challenge
- Speak up about concerns
- Actively listening to others
- Give reasons for our decisions & actions
- Be open about what is achievable
- Be honest and give feedback



Accountable

We own our decisions, we do what we say & we acknowledge & learn from our mistakes

- Do the right thing, not just the easiest thing
- Respond in a timely manner
- See things through with pace
- Hold each other to account
- Take ownership for personal & team performance
- Reflect & learn from our experiences



Respectful

We show regard & sensitivity for the feelings, rights & views of others

- Value others as individuals
- Respect differences
- See things from another's point of view
- Pay attention to people's differing needs
- Be polite
- Challenge unacceptable behaviour



Ambitious

We are dedicated, committed & positive, embracing change with energy & creativity

- Set high standards & go the extra mile
- Be positive
- Have a can do attitude
- Be imaginative & creative
- Seek out best practice & be open to new ideas
- Take responsibility for our own development
- Be a team player



Proud

We take pride in our borough & in the job that we do

- Recognise & share success
- Be enthusiastic & encouraging
- Act as an Ambassador for Rotherham
- Celebrate the best of Rotherham & our people
- Work together with others both inside & outside of the Council

DELIVERING OUR VISION AND PRIORITIES

Since 2010 the Council has made savings of £177m, leading to more than 1,800 fewer jobs in the organisation. By the end of our two year budget covering 2019/20 and 2020/21 this level of savings will have increased to over £200m.

Over the next two years the Council will be focusing on reforming its services against the backdrop of making further necessary savings of £15.8 million in 2019/20 and £13.9 million in 2020/21. This is set against the additional financial pressures of the National Living Wage; increasing demand for services as a result of a growing population and changing demographics in Rotherham; the impact of inflation.

The Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) was approved on 18th February 2019 and sets out a two year approach to delivering a balanced and sustainable budget plan up to 2021.

Whilst the Council is becoming smaller in size, it is focused on being bigger in influence. This means a changing role for the Council. Stronger civic leadership, greater collaboration, integration and shared services with other public services. Partnership working is recognised across all services as being essential to the future of the borough; combining knowledge, ideas, expertise and resources to deliver tangible improvements, deliver efficiencies and economies of scale, and strengthen our communities.

A new relationship must be developed between residents and the Council which builds on individual and community assets to enable people to live more independently, for longer, with the support of their family, social networks and local neighbourhood resources. The Rotherham

Neighbourhood Strategy 2018-25 vision is for every neighbourhood to be thriving, where people are able to work together to achieve a good quality of life. The Council wants to work with local people to find solutions to local issues and to build on our local heritage and assets.

At the same time there will be a clearer focus and prioritisation of resource – and in some cases ceasing to do some of what the Council has traditionally done. Each Directorate has developed its own service plans to support delivery of Council Plan 2017/20 and the MTFS. All plans focus on continuous improvement, early intervention, cross-directorate working, implementing good practice and raising standards.

To ensure that the delivery of the Council Plan actions and their impact is assessed, formal quarterly performance reports are presented in public at Cabinet meetings, with an opportunity for pre-Scrutiny consideration if required.



Children & Young People's Services

The Directorate continues to implement the Children and Young People's Improvement Plan actions, which are not only critical in ensuring that the eight Ofsted recommendations from 2017 are met, but to ensure that every child has the best start in life and is achieving better outcomes. The Children and Young People's Improvement Plan is in its third phase and includes the key priorities for the service in line with the Ofsted ILACS (Inspection of Local Authority Children's Services) inspection framework.

To support the delivery of this Plan, the Directorate has built a permanent and well-trained workforce that delivers high quality services for children and is continuing to work to identify and support families at the earliest opportunity, so that it can improve outcomes and reduce the need for social care intervention down the line; and implementing a consistent approach across the whole service to bring it in line with regional and national standards.

Underpinning this work is a continued commitment to strengthening governance, benchmarking and reporting arrangements to provide the necessary assurance in taking forward improvements and delivering sustainable, more effective children's services.



Adult Social Care, Housing and Public Health

The Directorate is focused on creating a Rotherham where vulnerable adults, such as those with disabilities and older people and their carers, have the necessary support within their community to live independently for as long as possible.

To achieve this the Directorate is working with health and third sector partners to integrate health and social care services to reduce duplication and provide high quality services that are easy to access. Work is also taking place to identify and support families at the earliest opportunity, so that outcomes can be improved and the need for social care intervention is reduced further down the line.

To improve the quality and choice of housing in Rotherham the Directorate is working to enable people to live in high quality accommodation which meets their needs, whether in the social rented, private rented or home ownership sector.

Through its Public Health service, the Directorate aims to improve the health and wellbeing of Rotherham residents and reduce health inequalities across the borough through the delivery of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy. The service is focused on working with partners to implement the strategy, as it commissions services to tackle the prevalence of smoking, substance misuse, and obesity. The service also

encourages everyone to be more active and adopt a healthier lifestyle, offering Public Health advice, especially around the prevention of illness and managing contracts with local GPs and community pharmacists for a range of preventative services, including drugs and alcohol management.

Public Health work closely with the Children and Young People's Directorate to ensure the Council provides an integrated service with children and their families at the centre of all care. The service also works alongside Public Health England (PHE) to manage any infectious disease outbreaks, monitoring of vaccination and immunisation uptake and cancer screening programmes.



Regeneration & Environment

The Directorate is working to develop and promote Rotherham as a good place to live and work, which means more jobs, a vibrant cultural sector and good quality green spaces, clean and tidy streets and neighbourhoods that residents are proud to call home.

It is supporting the economic growth and the regeneration of the borough through work with partners to deliver a joined-up culture, sport and tourism offer and adopting the Town Centre Masterplan, alongside the new Local Plan.

The Directorate continues to work closely with the Local Enterprise Partnership and wider Sheffield City Region colleagues to influence strategic investments and commissioned programmes that best benefit Rotherham. It is committed to a culture of innovation across services, both in its approach to operational processes, the use of new technologies and in exploring commercial opportunities, all built on a strong performance management framework across the board.

Finance & Customer Services and Assistant Chief Executive's Directorate

These central services Directorates are delivering corporate, finance, legal and customer services focused on ensuring that the Council is a modern, efficient organisation which has the needs of residents at the centre of its decision making.



Both are committed to ensuring that the Council has strong governance, is open and transparent and accountable to its residents.

The Finance and Customer Services Directorate works to drive the pace of change to a digital first approach, rationalising outdated delivery models whilst ensuring accessibility for all with the development of information sharing, data and enabling customers to connect in different ways.

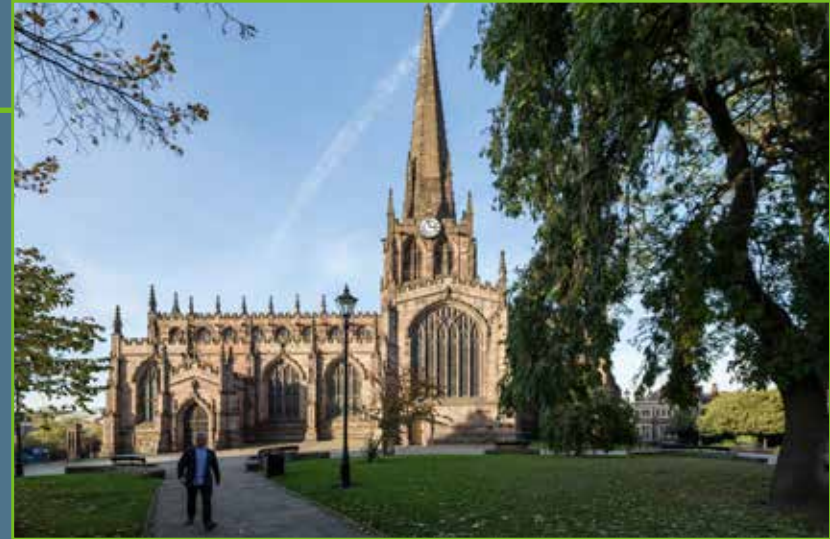
Both Directorates support residents to understand how and why spending decisions are made and how they can play their part in supporting the Council to save money, such as doing business online, by informing and engaging them through effective communication. They maintain a transparent approach to managing and reporting finances, ensuring that the organisation stays within its funding limits. And they are focused on building an engaged, supported and well managed workforce with the right skills and a customer focused approach.

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WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP

The Council is one of a number of organisations – including major public bodies (such as the police, health agencies, education and the fire and rescue service), local businesses and the voluntary and community sector - working together as the Rotherham Together Partnership to deliver improvements for local people and communities by combining their knowhow and resources.

The Partnership has launched the Rotherham Plan 2025: a new perspective, which sets out a framework for its collective efforts to create a borough that is better for everyone who wants to live, work, invest or visit here. It sets out some of the big projects, or “game changers”, that partners will be focusing on until 2025:



- **Building strong communities** where everyone feels connected and able to actively participate, benefitting them and their communities
- **Raising skills levels and increasing employment** opportunities, removing the barriers to good quality, sustainable employment for local people
- **Integrating health and social care** to deliver joined up services for our residents that are easy to access
- Building on the assets that make Rotherham **a place to be proud of**
- Creating a vibrant **town centre** where people want to visit, shop and socialise

It forms part of a bigger picture which includes a number of partnership boards and less formal bodies that are developing plans and delivering activity in the borough.



Rotherham Together Partnership



The Council's Performance Management Framework outlines the following performance management principles:

- **Honesty and Transparency**
- **Timeliness**
- **Working together**
- **Council-wide responsibility**

In addition to these principles, the Council's performance framework makes use of performance information to challenge its effectiveness and improve services. The framework is structured around a continuous improvement and performance management cycle and provides an overview of the Council's performance management arrangements at every level.

The framework is a key tool in ensuring that all staff and councillors understand how their individual contributions are critical in enabling the entire organisation to deliver effective services, continuous improvement and value for money for the people of Rotherham.

Plans are a vital part of the Performance Management Framework. They set out what we want to improve and how we are going to do it. Plans are in place at every level of the organisation, providing the critical 'golden thread' to ensure we are working together to achieve our strategic priorities.

To ensure that the Council Plan is performance managed effectively, quarterly performance reports are provided to the public Cabinet meeting, pre-Scrutiny and the Strategic Leadership Team.



The heart of this document is the series of performance measures shown on the following pages, structured around the headline themes of the Council vision.

There is one action plan for each of the four vision themes, as well as the cross-cutting corporate commitment to a modern efficient Council, each describing what the main outcomes, measures, indicators and targets will be over the next 12 months.

The Council operates in a constantly changing environment and will therefore keep the content of these performance measures under review as it reports on performance over the coming year; and will review its measures for the start of the next municipal year.

Finally, in support of the headline performance measures within this Council Plan for 2017/20, Council Directorates and services are responsible for more detailed annual service plans. These expand on the specific activities taking place to achieve the objectives and outcomes that the Council is seeking to achieve. These service-level plans will provide further information on other relevant performance information, key risks to delivery, links to corporate policies and priorities etc; and will be required to be similarly kept under review in the year ahead.



OUTCOME: A Children, young people and families are protected and safeguarded from all forms of abuse, violence and neglect

Jon Stonehouse, Strategic Director – Children and Young People’s Services

Ref. No	Action	Measure	Lead Officer	Good Performance	Frequency of Reporting	2017/18 Target	2018/19 Target	2019/20 Target
1.A1	Early Help - Supporting Children, young people and families at the right time with the right care	Children in Need rate (rate per 10K population under 18)	Ailsa Barr CYPS	Low	Monthly	336.9	375.5	375.5
1.A2		The number of children subject to a CP plan (rate per 10K population under 18)	Ailsa Barr CYPS	Low	Monthly	60.3	99.6	90
1.A3		The number of Looked After Children (rate per 10k population under 18)	Ailsa Barr CYPS	Low	Monthly	85.9	99.1	106
1.A4		The proportion of families who rate the Early Help service as Good or Excellent	David McWilliams CYPS	High	Monthly	100% (633 families by end of March 2018)	95%	95%
1.A5	Children’s Social Care Improvement – Ensure that all Child Protection Plan work is managed robustly and that appropriate decisions and actions are agreed with partner agencies	The proportion of children who are subject to repeat child protection plans (within 24 months)	Ailsa Barr CYPS	Low	Monthly	4.0%	9%	7%
1.A6	Child Sexual Exploitation - an increased awareness of CSE and an increase in the number of police prosecutions as a result of joint working	Number of children and young people with a currently assessed as medium/high risk of CSE (CSE cohort)	Ailsa Barr CYPS	n/a	Monthly	Not appropriate to set a target	Not appropriate to set a target	Not appropriate to set a target
1.A7	Placements - Improve quality of care for Looked after Children	The proportion of LAC experiencing disrupted placements (Definition: % of LAC who have had 3 or more placements - rolling 12 months)	Ailsa Barr CYPS	Low	Monthly	9.6%	10.8%	11%
1.A8		The proportion of LAC placed within Family Based settings	Ailsa Barr CYPS	High	Monthly	39.5%	85%	85%

OUTCOMES: B. Children and Young people are supported to reach their potential
C. Children, young people and families are enabled to live healthier lives

Jon Stonehouse, Strategic Director – Children and Young People’s Services
Terri Roche, Director – Public Health

Ref. No	Action	Measure	Lead Officer	Good Performance	Frequency of Reporting	2017/18 Target	2018/19 Target	2019/20 Target
1.B1	Sustainable Education and Skills	The proportion of pupils reaching the expected standard In reading, writing and mathematics combined at the end of Key Stage 2	Pepe Di’lasio CYPs	High	Academic Year	No target - new measure	65 %	65 %
1.B2		The average attainment 8 score at the end of Key Stage 4 .		High	Academic Year	No target - new measure	47	46
1.B3		The progress 8 measure from the end of primary school (KS2) to the end of secondary school (KS4)		High	Academic Year	No target - new measure	0	Above national average
1.B4(a)	Sustainable Education and Skills – Reduce the number of school days lost to exclusion	The number of permanent exclusions in secondary schools	Jenny Lingrell CYPs	Low	Monthly	No target - revised measure	No target - revised measure	38
1.B4(b)		The number of permanent exclusions in primary schools				No target - revised measure	No target - revised measure	8
1.B5	Sustainable Education and Skills – Enable hard to reach young people to achieve their full potential through education employment or training	The proportion of 16-17 year olds Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET) or whose activity is Not Known (NK) i) % 16-17 year old NEET ii) % 16-17 year olds whose activity is Not Known	David McWilliams CYPs	Low	Monthly	Local Dec target - 3.0 % Annual Target 3.1 % (Local Annual target based on Dec, Jan, Feb Ave)	5.8 % combined i) 3.3 % (NEET) ii) 2.5 % (Not Known) (Local Annual target based on Dec, Jan, Feb Ave)	5.8 % combined i) 3.3 % (NEET) ii) 2.5 % (Not Known)
1.B6	Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) – Improve personal outcomes for our young people with SEND to enable them to make choices that lead to successful adult lives	The proportion of Education and Health Care Plans (EHCPs) that are completed in statutory timescales	Jenny Lingrell CYPs	High	Monthly	90 % by April 2018	Qtr 1 - 45 % Qtr 2 - 65 % Qtr 3 - 75 % Qtr 4 - 90 % (in period) 2018/19 - 70 % (cumulative)	Qtr 1 - 55 % Qtr 2 - 70 % Qtr 3 - 85 % Qtr 4 - 90 % (cumulative)
1.C1	Deliver services for the 0-19 year olds – to support children and families to achieve and maintain healthier lifestyles	Smoking status at time of delivery (women smoking during pregnancy)	Gilly Brenner Public Health	Low	Quarterly	17.0 %	18 %	18 %
1.C2		Childhood immunisation - % of eligible children who received 3 doses of DTaP / IPV / Hib vaccine at any time by their 2nd birthday (diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis/polio/Haemophilus influenza type b)		High	Quarterly	n/a (new for 2018/19)	95 %	95 %

OUTCOMES: A. Adults are enabled to live healthier lives
B. Every adult secure, responsible and empowered

Terri Roche, Director – Public Health
Anne Marie Lubanski, Strategic Director – Adult Social Care and Housing

Ref. No	Action	Measure	Lead Officer	Good Performance	Frequency of Reporting	2017/18 Target	2018/19 Target	2019/20 Target
2.A1	Implement Health and Wellbeing Strategy to improve the health of people in the borough	Successful completion of drug treatment – a) opiate users (aged 18-75)	Gilly Brenner Public Health	High	Quarterly	No national target. Local ambition to be within LA Comparators Top Quartile	1.5 % increase on the value at new provider starting point (ie April 2018)	1.5 % increase on the value at new provider starting point in April 2018 (Target = 5.8 %)
2.B1	We must ensure we make safeguarding personal	The proportion of Safeguarding Adults at risk who felt their outcomes were met.	Ian Spicer Adult Social Care	High	Quarterly	80%	96.6%	98%
2.B2	We must ensure that information, advice and guidance is readily available (e.g. by increasing self-assessment) and there are a wide range of community assets which are accessible	The proportion of people contacting adult social care who are provided with information and advice at first point of contact, (to prevent service need).	Ian Spicer Adult Social Care	High	Quarterly	No target - new measure	No target - new measure	40%
2.B3	We must improve our approach to personalised services – always putting users and carers at the centre of everything we do	The proportion of Adults receiving long term community support who received a Direct Payment (excludes managed accounts)	Ian Spicer Adult Social Care	High	Quarterly	22%	22%	25%
2.B4		Number of carers assessments	Ian Spicer Adult Social Care	High	Quarterly	Baseline Year	567	567
2.B5	Modernise enablement services to maximise independence, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intermediate care • Enabling • Prevention agenda • Developing community assets 	The proportion of people (65+) offered the reablement service after discharge from hospital	Ian Spicer Adult Social Care	High	Annual	2.5%	2.6%	2.6%
2.B6		The proportion of new clients who receive short term (enablement) service in year with an outcome of no further requests made for support		High	Quarterly	75%	83%	90%
2.B7	We must commission services effectively working in partnership and co-producing with users and carers. We must use our resources effectively	All age number of new permanent admissions to residential nursing care for adults	Ian Spicer Adult Social Care	Low	Quarterly	315	305	280
2.B8		All age total number of people supported in residential/ nursing care for adults	Ian Spicer Adult Social Care	Low	Quarterly	1,000	950	900

OUTCOME: A. Communities are strong and help people to feel safe

Paul Woodcock, Strategic Director – Regeneration and Environment

Ref. No	Action	Measure	Lead Officer	Good Performance	Frequency of Reporting	2017/18 Target	2018/19 Target	2019/20 Target
3.A1(a)	Ensure that the Safer Rotherham Partnership is robust and fit for purpose. Develop an effective Community Safety Strategy and Performance Management Framework.	Public perception of ASB -The proportion of respondees who perceive ASB as a problem in their area (via the "Your Voice Counts" quarterly survey)	Tom Smith Regeneration and Environment	Low	Quarterly	5 % reduction on 2016-17 (27 % Annual Target)	32 %	43 % or lower
3.A1(b)		Reduce the number of repeat victims of ASB		Low	Quarterly	Baseline Year	80 or fewer repeat callers each quarter	50 or fewer repeat callers each quarter
3.A2		The proportion of positive outcomes over the year, for reported Hate Crime cases		High	Quarterly	24.2 % (Which is a 10 % Increase in % of cases leading to positive outcome 1-10 on South Yorkshire Police Crime Analysis Pages (CAP))	20 %	20 %
3.A3 (a)		Total number of referrals to Domestic Abuse support services		High	Quarterly	n/a	Baseline year	700 per quarter
3.A3 (b)		The proportion of people receiving Domestic Abuse support who are satisfied with the service		High	Annual	n/a	Baseline year	80 %
3.A4 (a)	Ensure an robust, effective and efficient licensing service	The number of on the spot inspections of licensed vehicles and drivers	Tom Smith Regeneration and Environment	High	Quarterly	n/a	Baseline year	10% of licensed vehicles and drivers annually (110 and 80 respectively)
3.A4 (b)		The The proportion of; a) Licensed Vehicles, b) Drivers found to be compliant with licensing requirements during on the spot inspections		High	Quarterly	n/a	Baseline year	85 %

Ref. No	Action	Measure	Lead Officer	Good Performance	Frequency of Reporting	2017/18 Target	2018/19 Target	2019/20 Target
3.A5(a)	Rotherham residents are satisfied with their local area and borough as a place to live	a) How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with your local area as a place to live	Chris Burton Assistant Chief Executive's Office	High - very or fairly satisfied	6 monthly	>79 %	>79 %	=>79 %
3.A5(b)		b) Overall, all things considered, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with Rotherham Borough as a place to live		High - very or fairly satisfied	6 monthly	>69 %	>69 %	>69 %
3.A6	Create a rich and diverse cultural offer and thriving Town Centre	Number of engagements with the Council's Culture and Leisure facilities which help adults and children learn something, develop their skills or get a job	Polly Hamilton Regeneration & Environment	High	Quarterly	Baseline year	320,000, Cumulative yearly target	>350,000, Cumulative yearly target
3.A7		Customer satisfaction with culture, sport and tourism services		High	Quarterly	Baseline year	a) Libraries and CSC >90 % b) Heritage Sites > 90 % c) Parks and Open Spaces >82 % d) Sport and Leisure Facilities >95 %	>90 % across all Culture Sport and Leisure services
3.A8		Number of visits to the Councils, Culture and Leisure facilities a) Libraries b) Clifton Park Museum, archives and other heritage sites c) Civic Theatre d) Country Parks (Rother Valley, Thyrbergh and Clifton Park) e) Visitor Information Centre f) Events g) Engagement and Outreach Activities h) Leisure Centres i) Other activities by third parties		High	Quarterly	Baseline year	3,000,000 cumulative annual target	3,500,000 cumulative annual target

OUTCOMES: A. Communities are strong and help people to feel safe
B. Streets, public realm and green spaces are clean and well maintained

Paul Woodcock, Strategic Director – Regeneration and Environment

Ref. No	Action	Measure	Lead Officer	Good Performance	Frequency of Reporting	2017/18 Target	2018/19 Target	2019/20 Target
3.B1(a)	Deliver a cleaner, greener Rotherham to ensure that it is a safe and attractive place to live, work and visit	The proportion of the principal road network classified as being in: a) Amber condition b) Red condition	Tom Smith Regeneration and Environment	Low	Annual	The previous Council Plan target was 4 % as only measure red condition roads in 2017/18	The previous Council Plan target was 3 % as only measured red condition roads in 2018/19	a) 17 % b) 3 %
3.B1(b)		The proportion of the non-principal road network classified as being in: a) Amber condition b) Red condition		Low	Annual	The previous Council Plan target was 7 % as only measured red condition roads in 2017/18	The previous Council Plan target was 6 % as only measured red condition roads in 2018/19.	a) 22 % b) 6 %
3.B1(c)		The proportion of unclassified roads classified as being in; a) Amber condition b) Red condition		Low	Annual	The previous Council Plan target was <22 % as only measured red condition roads in 2017/18	The previous Council Plan target was 22 % as only measured red condition roads in 2018/19	a) 34 % b) 24 %
3.B2(a)		Effective enforcement action taken where evidence is found – Fly Tipping (fixed penalty notices and prosecutions)		High	Monthly	37+ (50 % increase in prosecutions for the year)	37+	37+
3.B2(b)		Effective enforcement action taken where evidence is found – Other enviro-crime (fixed penalty notices and prosecutions)		High	Monthly	5000 (cumulative for the year)	5000 (cumulative for the year)	2000 (cumulative for the year)
3.B3		Total number of customer contacts by service area and overall total. Service areas measured are a) Street Cleansing, b) Grounds Maintenance, c) Litter, d) Waste Management. Contacts measured are: i) Official complaints ii) Compliments received iii) Service Requests		Low	Monthly	5 % reduction, (target 75 cumulative) in the number of official complaints received in Grounds Maintenance, Street Cleansing, (includes Litter) and Waste Management)	5 % reduction (target 75 cumulative) in the number of official complaints received Increase number of compliments to 60	10 % reduction (target around 190 cumulative) in the number of official complaints received
3.B4	Ensure an efficient and effective waste and recycling service	Number of missed bins per 100,000 collections	Tom Smith Regeneration and Environment	Low	Quarterly	60	50	50
3.B5		The proportion of waste sent for reuse (recycling and composting)	Tom Smith Regeneration and Environment	High	Quarterly	45 %	45 %	45 %

OUTCOME: A. Businesses supported to grow and employment opportunities expanded across the borough

Paul Woodcock, Strategic Director – Regeneration and Environment

Ref. No	Action	Measure	Lead Officer	Good Performance	Frequency of Reporting	2017/18 Target	2018/19 Target	2019/20 Target
4.A1	Deliver economic growth (via the Economic Growth Plan, Business Growth Board and Sheffield City Region)	Number of new businesses started with help from the Council	Paul Woodcock Regeneration and Environment	High	Quarterly	Baseline Year	15	15
4.A2		Survival rate of new businesses (3 years)		High	Annual	60 %	60 %	60 %
4.A3		The proportion of vacant floor space in the Town Centre		Low	Quarterly	Baseline Year	25 %	18 %
4.A4		Number of jobs in the Borough		High	Annual	1,000 new jobs p.a. (10,000 over 10 years).	1,000 new jobs p.a. (10,000 over 10 years).	1,000 new jobs p.a. (10,000 over 10 years).
4.A5		Narrow the gap to the UK average on the rate of the working age population economically active in the borough		Low	Quarterly	For 2017/18, reduce the gap from 4.3 % to 4.0 %. Achieve national average in next 5 years (0.8 % reduction a year)	3.2 % (0.8 % reduction)	0 % achieve the National Average
4.A6		Number of Planning Applications determined within specified period: a) Major 13 weeks b) Minor 8 weeks c) Other 8 weeks		High	Quarterly	All at 95 %	All at 95 %	All at 95 %

OUTCOME: B. People live in high quality accommodation which meets their need, whether in the social rented, private rented or home ownership sector

Anne Marie Lubanski, Strategic Director – Adult Social Care and Housing
Jon Stonehouse, Strategic Director – Children and Young People’s Services

Ref. No	Action	Measure	Lead Officer	Good Performance	Frequency of Reporting	2017/18 Target	2018/19 Target	2019/20 Target
4.B1 (a)	Implement the Housing Strategy 2019-2022 to provide high quality accommodation	Number of new homes delivered during the year via direct Council Intervention	Tom Bell Adult Social Care and Housing	High	Quarterly	No target - new indicator	109	175
4.B1 (b)		Number of new homes delivered during the year		High	Quarterly	641	641	550
4.B2		The proportion of council housing stock that is classed as “Decent”		High	Quarterly	No target - new measure	No target - new measure	99.5 %
4.B3	Private rented housing – improving standards through selective licensing	The proportion of privately rented properties compliant with Selective Licensing conditions within designated areas	Tom Smith Regeneration and Environment	High	Monthly	95 %	95 %	95 %

OUTCOMES: A. Maximised use of assets and resources and services demonstrate value for money
B. Effective governance Arrangements and decision making processes in place
C. Staff listen and are responsive to customers to understand and relate to their needs

Judith Badger, Strategic Director Finance and Customer Services
Shokat Lal, Assistant Chief Executive

Ref. No	Action	Measure	Lead Officer	Good Performance	Frequency of Reporting	2017/18 Target	2018/19 Target	2019/20 Target
5.A1	Maximising the local revenues available to fund council services	The proportion of Council Tax collected in the current financial year	Graham Saxton Finance and Customer Services	High	Monthly	97 % (Top Quartile Met Authorities)	97 % (Top Quartile Met Authorities)	97 % (Top Quartile Met Authorities)
5.A2		The proportion of non-domestic (business) rates collected in the current financial year	Graham Saxton Finance and Customer Services	High	Monthly	98 % (Top Quartile Metropolitan Authorities)	98 % (Top Quartile Metropolitan Authorities)	98 % (Top Quartile Metropolitan Authorities)
5.B1	The Scrutiny function is effective; engages members and improve outcomes for Rotherham residents and communities	Number of pre-scrutiny recommendations adopted	James McLaughlin Assistant Chief Executive's Directorate	High	Quarterly	80%	90 %	90 %
5.C1	Treating customer complaints with respect and dealing with them in an efficient and outcome-focussed way	The proportion of complaints closed and within timescale (cumulative)	Jackie Mould Assistant Chief Executive's Directorate	High	Monthly	85%	85 %	85 %
5.C2		The proportion of residents who feel that the Council keeps them informed	Chris Burton Assistant Chief Executive's Office	High - very or fairly satisfied	6 Monthly	46 %	>53 %	=>50%
5.C3		The proportion of transactions a) online	Luke Sayers Finance and Customer Services	High	6 Monthly	Baseline Year	28 %	28 %

OUTCOME: D. Effective members, workforce and organisational culture

Shokat Lal, Assistant Chief Executive

Jon Stonehouse, Strategic Director – Children and Young People’s Services

Ref. No	Action	Measure	Lead Officer	Good Performance	Frequency of Reporting	2017/18 Target	2018/19 Target	2019/20 Target
5.D1	Staff and managers have an opportunity to reflect on performance , agree future objectives and are aware of how they contribute to the overall vision	The proportion of PDR completion	Lee Mann Assistant Chief Executive’s Directorate	High	Quarterly	95 %	95 %	95 %
5.D2	Sickness is managed and staff wellbeing supported	The number of days lost per FTE	Lee Mann Assistant Chief Executive’s Directorate	Low	Monthly	10.3	10.3	10.3
5.D3	Reduced use of interims, temporary and agency staff through effective and efficient recruitment	Reduction in Agency cost	Lee Mann Assistant Chief Executive’s Directorate	Low	Monthly	10% reduction	10% reduction	10% reduction
5.D4		The proportion of the children’s social care establishment (social workers and team managers) who are agency staff	Jon Stonehouse CYPS	Low	Monthly	n/a	10%	10%
5.D5	Members are able to fulfil their roles as effective community leaders	The proportion of members receive a personal development interview leading to a structured learning and development plan	James McLaughlin Assistant Chief Executive’s	High	Annual	95 %	95%	95 %
5.D6	The Council complies with good practice in equalities	The proportion of Cabinet reports where an Initial Equality Screening Assessment has been completed	Jackie Mould Assistant Chief Executive’s Directorate	High	Quarterly	No target - new measure	No target - new measure	100%
5.D7		The proportion of Council Staff who have completed the mandatory Equality Training	Jackie Mould Assistant Chief Executive’s Directorate	High	Quarterly	No target - new measure	No target - new measure	Q1 - 75 % Q2 - 85 % Q3 & Q4 - 95 %

Initial Equality Screening Assessment

As a public authority we need to ensure that all our strategies, policies, service and functions, both current and proposed have given proper consideration to equality and diversity.

A **screening** process can help judge relevance and provide a record of both the process and decision. Screening should be a short, sharp exercise that determines relevance for all new and revised strategies, policies, services and functions.

Completed at the earliest opportunity it will help to determine:

- the relevance of proposals and decisions to equality and diversity
- whether or not equality and diversity is being/has already been considered, and
- whether or not it is necessary to carry out an equality analysis.

Directorate: Assistant Chief Executive's Directorate	Service area: Performance, Intelligence and Improvement
Lead person: Simon Dennis (Corporate Risk Manager) and Tanya Palmowski (Performance Officer)	Contact number: (ext 22764)

1. Title:

Is this a:



Strategy / Policy



Service / Function



Other

If other, please specify

2. Please provide a brief description of what you are screening

The 2017-2020 Council Plan is the core document that underpins the Council's overall vision, setting out headline priorities and measures that will demonstrate its delivery.

Although the 2017-2020 Council Plan is intended to cover three financial years, it is good practice to carry out an annual review of the performance measures included in it.

To enable an appropriate and effective "refresh" to be carried out, all Strategic

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Directors were asked to review and refresh their actions, measures and targets for 2019/2020 and the proposed changes have been challenged by the Leader, Cabinet Members and the Corporate Performance Team. Headlines in relation to the proposed changes include:

- The overall number of measures has reduced from 72 to 69
- All measures now have targets applied (ie there are no “baseline years”)
- There are no changes to the individual outcomes attached to each priority
- Two actions have been updated
- Four measures have been removed and two measures have been added
- Sixteen refreshed measures have replaced fifteen measures.

Ensuring that the Council meets its equalities and human rights duties and obligations is central to how it manages its performance, sets its priorities and delivers services across the board. The refreshed plan includes two new equality measures focused around: the proportion of Cabinet reports where an Initial Equality Analysis Screening Assessment has been completed; the proportion of staff who have completed the mandatory equality training.

3. Relevance to equality and diversity

All the Council’s strategies/policies, services/functions affect service users, employees or the wider community – borough wide or more local. These will also have a greater/lesser relevance to equality and diversity.

The following questions will help you to identify how relevant your proposals are.

When considering these questions think about age, carers, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation and any other relevant characteristics (for example socio-economic status, social class, income, unemployment, residential location or family background and education or skills levels).

Questions	Yes	No
Could the proposal have implications regarding the accessibility of services to the whole or wider community? <i>(Be mindful that this is not just about numbers. A potential to affect a small number of people in a significant way is as important)</i>		x
Could the proposal affect service users? <i>(Be mindful that this is not just about numbers. A potential to affect a small number of people in a significant way is as important)</i>		x
Has there been or is there likely to be an impact on an individual or group with protected characteristics? <i>(Consider potential discrimination, harassment or victimisation of individuals with protected characteristics)</i>		x
Have there been or likely to be any public concerns regarding the proposal? <i>(It is important that the Council is transparent and consultation is carried out with members of the public to help mitigate future challenge)</i>		x
Could the proposal affect how the Council’s services, commissioning or procurement activities are organised,		x

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provided, located and by whom? <i>(If the answer is yes you may wish to seek advice from commissioning or procurement)</i>		
Could the proposal affect the Council's workforce or employment practices? <i>(If the answer is yes you may wish to seek advice from your HR business partner)</i>		X
If you have answered no to all the questions above, please explain the reason		
<p>The Council Plan is a strategic plan for the whole organisation which sets out what the Council will do in order to deliver against its priorities for serving local residents and communities. The actions and targets within the plan will be delivered by council services through various strategies, policies and programmes of work. It is therefore the responsibility of the relevant directorate/service to complete an equality analysis where this is applicable.</p>		

If you have answered **no** to all the questions above please complete **sections 5 and 6**.

If you have answered **yes** to any of the above please complete **section 4**.

4. Considering the impact on equality and diversity

If you have not already done so, the impact on equality and diversity should be considered within your proposals prior to carrying out an **Equality Analysis**.

Considering equality and diversity will help to eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and take active steps to create a discrimination free society by meeting a group or individual's needs and encouraging participation.

Please provide specific details for all three areas below and use the prompts for guidance.

- **How have you considered equality and diversity?**

(think about the scope of the proposal, who is likely to be affected, equality related information, gaps in information and plans to address, consultation and engagement activities (taken place or planned) with those likely to be affected)

- **Key findings**

(think about any potential positive and negative impact on different equality characteristics, potential to promote strong and positive relationships between groups, potential to bring groups/communities into increased contact with each other, perception that the proposal could benefit one group at the expense of another)

- **Actions**

(think about how you will promote positive impact and remove/reduce negative impact)

Date to scope and plan your Equality Analysis:

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Date to complete your Equality Analysis:	
Lead person for your Equality Analysis (Include name and job title):	

5. Governance, ownership and approval

Please state here who has approved the actions and outcomes of the screening:

Name	Job title	Date
Jackie Mould	Head of Performance, Intelligence and Improvement	18.04.19

6. Publishing

This screening document will act as evidence that due regard to equality and diversity has been given.

If this screening relates to a **Cabinet, key delegated officer decision, Council, other committee or a significant operational decision** a copy of the completed document should be attached as an appendix and published alongside the relevant report.

A copy of **all** screenings should also be sent to equality@rotherham.gov.uk For record keeping purposes it will be kept on file and also published on the Council's Equality and Diversity Internet page.

Date screening completed	18 th April 2019
If relates to a Cabinet, key delegated officer decision, Council, other committee or a significant operational decision – report date and date sent for publication	Cabinet
Date screening sent to Performance, Intelligence and Improvement equality@rotherham.gov.uk	30 th April 2019

Summary Sheet

Committee Name and Date of Committee Meeting

Council – 24 July 2019

Report Title

Recommendation from Cabinet – Financial Outturn 2018-19

Is this a Key Decision and has it been included on the Forward Plan?

Yes

Strategic Director Approving Submission of the Report

Judith Badger, Strategic Director of Finance and Customer Services

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Ward(s) Affected

Borough-wide

Summary

At its meeting on 20 May 2019, the Cabinet considered a report detailing proposals to update the Capital Programme for 2019-20.

The original report providing detail to the proposals is appended in order to provide Members with sufficient knowledge to agree the proposals.

In order to give effect to the recommendations from Cabinet, consideration and approval by Council must be given to the recommendation set out below.

Recommendations

1. That the updated financial position as detailed in the report be noted.
2. That the updated Capital Programme as set out in paragraphs 2.65 to 2.69 of the report to Cabinet on 8 July 2019 and Appendices A to D be approved.

List of Appendices Included

Appendix 1 Report to Cabinet (8 July 2019) – Financial Outturn 2018-19
Appendices A to D Capital Programme 2019/20 to 2022/23

Background Papers

None

Consideration by any other Council Committee, Scrutiny or Advisory Panel

Cabinet – 8 July 2019

Overview and Scrutiny Management Board – 17 July 2018

Council Approval Required

Yes

Exempt from the Press and Public

No

Committee Name and Date of Committee Meeting

Cabinet – 08 July 2019

Report Title

Financial Outturn 2018/19

Is this a Key Decision and has it been included on the Forward Plan?

Yes

Strategic Director Approving Submission of the Report

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Ward(s) Affected

Borough-wide

Report Summary

The report outlines the final revenue and capital outturn position for 2018/19.

The Revenue Budget 2018/19 was approved by Council on 28th February 2018. A budget of £216.876m was set for General Fund services; this excludes schools budgets and Housing Revenue Account (HRA). The final outturn position was a balanced budget which required £3.2m less use of corporate reserves than planned for. The original budget proposed a planned use of corporate reserves of £5.2m as part of a budget contingency of £10.0m. Additional funding received in year, use of earmarked grants and balances and flexible use of capital receipts has resulted in a reduced call on the planned reserves leaving a balance of £3.2m available to support the budget in later years.

A summary of the outturn position for each Directorate is shown in the table in Section 2.1 below together with the actions and measures taken to deliver a balanced budget. The Council continues to face demand pressures, in particular in respect of social care. The Council has provided additional budget for social care over the next two financial years, but the outlook is still challenging.

The Council's General Fund minimum balance has been increased from £11.269 to £16.812m, as a result of the planned use and profiling of reserves balances as set out in the Council's Reserves Strategy reported in the Budget and Council Tax Report 2019/20. The reserve is held to protect the Council against unforeseen events and realisation of contingent liabilities.

The Housing Revenue Account had an underspend of £1.4m. This reduced the overall amount required from reserves to balance the budget. The final drawdown from the HRA reserve was just under £11m.

The schools outturn position which is funded by the ring-fenced Dedicated Schools Grant had an underspend of £1.968m therefore increasing schools balances at the end of 2018/19 for the Council's maintained schools and pupil referral units to £3.369m.

The capital outturn shows slippage and underspend of £8.1m against the estimated spend for 2018/19 included within the Capital Programme. Of this, £7.073m relates to slippage on projects which has been factored into the revised capital programme 2019/20 – 2022/23.

Recommendations

1. That the revenue outturn position for 2018/19 be noted.
2. That approval be given to the transfer of the £1.4m HRA underspend to the HRA reserve.
3. That the carry forward of the combined schools balance of £3.369m in accordance with the Department for Education regulations be noted.
4. That the reserves position set out in section 2.33 be noted.
5. That the capital outturn and funding position as set out in sections 2.41-2.69 be noted.
6. That Cabinet refer the report to Council to note the updated financial position as detailed in the report and for approval of the updated Capital Programme as set out in paragraphs 2.65 to 2.69 and Appendices A to D.

List of Appendices Included

Appendices A to D – Capital Programme 2019/20 to 2022/23.

Background Papers

Revenue Budget and Council Tax Setting Report for 2018/19 to Council on 28th February 2018.

May Financial Monitoring Report to Cabinet 9th July 2018

July Financial Monitoring Report to Cabinet 17th September 2018

September Financial Monitoring Report to Cabinet 19th November 2018

December Financial Monitoring Report to Cabinet 18th February 2019

February Financial Monitoring Report to Cabinet 15th April 2019

Consideration by any other Council Committee, Scrutiny or Advisory Panel
Overview and Scrutiny Management Board – 03 July 2018

Council Approval Required

Yes

Exempt from the Press and Public

No

Financial Outturn 2018/19

1. Background

- 1.1 This report sets out the Council revenue, capital, HRA and schools outturn position in 2018/19. It also describes the details of the Council's reserves balances as at the end of the financial year. The Council set a revenue budget for 2018/19 of £216.876m and a capital programme of £99.750m.
- 1.2 The report illustrates the Council's financial position on a management accounts basis which is used to monitor performance throughout the financial year. The Audit Committee considered the Council's draft unaudited Statement of Accounts 2018/19 on 18th June 2019 and will consider the final Statement of Accounts on 30th July 2019 following the audit of the accounts by the Council's external auditors Grant Thornton. The Statement of Accounts is prepared in accordance with the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom 2018/19 and appropriate accounting standards. As such, the reporting in the Statement of Accounts is different in format to the management reporting.
- 1.3 In understanding the outturn position it is helpful to set out the financial context of the Council.
- 1.4 The Council has made savings of £177m between the period 2011/12 to 2018/19 in response to the Government's austerity measures which has seen substantial cuts to local authority funding. The Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy identified a funding gap of £30m over the period 2019/20-2020/21. In setting its budget for 2019/20, the Council approved proposals for a balanced two-year budget over the aforementioned period. This requires the delivery of budget savings of £24m over the two years. Together with further efficiencies and additional funding announced by Government this meant that the Council could bridge the £30m funding gap.
- 1.5 However, the challenge is significant in light of increased demand for services and funding uncertainty for the local government sector. Notwithstanding, the Council will continue to examine service change and improvement work across the Council in meeting the challenges faced.
- 1.6 In common with other local authorities across the country, there continues to be increasing demand pressures on social care services. Throughout 2018/19 these continued to place additional pressures on the Council's financial position. This was closely monitored throughout the year and appropriate mitigations were implemented to ensure that total expenditure remained within the overall budget for 2018/19 set by Council in February 2018.
- 1.7 The Council has a programme to identify, track and deliver a savings programme over the medium term in order to maintain a balanced budget. The process draws on an approach that ensures that both investment and savings options are not considered in isolation and contribute to the principles and priorities as set out in the Council Plan and Medium Term Financial Strategy.

The Council's 'Big Hearts, Big Changes' programme will help the Council to address the financial challenges.

- 1.8 The Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy has been revised and updated and supports the Council's ambition of financial sustainability over the medium term.

2. Key Issues

- 2.1 The table below provides a summary of the Revenue Outturn for 2018/19. This is followed by a summary of the position by Directorate which includes an explanation of the key variances.

Table 1 Summary Outturn 2018/19 by Directorate

	Budget 2018/19	Outturn 2018/19	Variance (over (+)/under (-)
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Children and Young People's Services	58,591	74,237	+15,646
Adult Care, Housing and Public Health	74,139	78,800	+4,661
Regeneration and Environment	44,330	44,228	-102
Finance and Customer Services	15,571	15,415	-156
Assistant Chief Executive	6,965	6,150	-815
Central Services	12,479	7,647	-4,832
Budget Contingency	4,800	0	-4,800
TOTAL	216,875	226,477	+9,602
Actions to address budget overspend			
Use of Directorate balances	0	-3,916	-3,916
Flexible Use of Capital Receipts	0	-1,115	-1,115
Business Rates National Levy Account Surplus	0	-969	-969
Funding for EU Exit	0	-105	-105
Education PFI planned use of reserve	0	-1,480	-1,480
Use of Reserves – Budget Contingency	0	-2,017	-2,017
Total Actions to Address Budget Overpend	0	-9,602	-9,602
Net Financial Outturn	216,875	216,875	0

2.2 Children and Young People's Services

- 2.3 The Directorate (excluding schools) has an overspend of £15.646m. The Directorate has faced significant financial pressures on placement budgets and in the delivery of key social work services due to the number of children in the care system. The budget pressures are mainly in social care and are a combination of staffing and placements pressures and other associated costs.

- 2.4 The staffing pressures in respect of children's social care totalling £788k are due to the number of agency workers across the service during the financial

year. Business support costs of £852k are due to delays in implementing the new staffing structure. These are offset by staff savings in Early Help (£635k) and various other service areas (£55k) reducing the staffing overspend to £950k, when discounting DSG funded services.

- 2.5 The major pressure relates to placement costs which had a net overspend of £13.162m, with additional budget associated pressures on transport (car allowances, public transport and vehicles) £757k, section 17 & 23 payments £269k and interpretations £238k.

2.6 High Needs Block

- 2.7 The High Needs Block (HNB) allocation 2018/19 was £31.167m and has been under significant pressure for a number of years due to rising numbers of children supported in specialist provision and the rising costs of Education Health Care plans. Consequently, the central DSG reserve has changed from a £1m reserve deficit in 2015/16 to £9.7m deficit at March 2018. The outturn at the end of March 2019 is an in-year overspend of £5.4m of which £5.1m is the High Needs Block (see table below for details) with minor movements of £0.3m across the other blocks.

Table 2 High Needs Outturn 2018/19

	Budget	Outturn	Variance
Special Schools	13,008,458	13,191,042	182,584
Primary Schools	172,990	172,990	0
Secondary Schools	317,213	293,052	-24,161
Top Up Funding	3,134,231	3,825,295	691,064
Alternative Provision	4,380,556	4,532,930	152,374
Out of Authority Placements	6,614,024	10,834,217	4,220,193
Inclusion Services	2,128,650	2,000,465	-128,185
Other Education Services	337,605	341,080	3,475
CCP & FE Places	1,073,499	1,073,499	0
Total	31,167,226	36,264,570	5,097,344

2.8 **Adult Care, Public Health and Housing**

- 2.9 The final outturn position for the Directorate was an overspend of £4.661m. This was an improvement on the position which had been previously forecast, mainly driven through effective budget management, plus internal/external challenge to the necessity of spend and value for money tests against the Better Care Fund plan for 2018/19.

- 2.10 Whilst there were no new budget savings for Adult Care agreed as part of the 2018/19 budget setting process, there were £3.224m of savings agreed in previous years to take effect in 2018/19, in addition to the £5.422m agreed, but not delivered in 2017/18. This left £8.646m of savings to be delivered in 2018/19 of which £4.438m was delivered as planned.
- 2.11 There was also a net increase in the number of service users resulting in a budget pressure and cost to the service of circa £1.75m per annum.
- 2.12 The main reason for the delayed delivery of savings is the complexity of cases, with some service users having a significant change in need since their last assessment. Also, contributing to the delay is historical assessment practice across all cohorts; in terms of over reliance on residential care, poor application of self-directed support and over provision of care hours. In addition, Reviewing Team resources had to be diverted due to external market failure on several occasions.
- 2.13 The pressures incurred were partially offset by higher than expected staff turnover within Commissioning and Assessment & Care Management and also by maximisation of external funding.
- 2.14 There was additional income for the Housing General Fund relating to contractual gain share and adaptations on private sector housing. This assisted in reducing the potential Directorate overspend.
- 2.15 The Public Health ring fenced specific grant was reduced to £16.304m for 2018/19. Public Health budget savings of £653k were agreed as part of the budget setting process for 2018/19. These were fully achieved in year.
- 2.16 Within Public Health there were some budget pressures within Sexual Health and Tobacco Control but these were offset by underspends on Drugs & Alcohol and Children's Obesity contracts, together with staff vacancies across the service.
- 2.17 **Regeneration and Environment**
- 2.18 The Directorate had an underspend of £0.1m in line with forecasts of achieving a balanced budget. This included the one-off benefit of capitalising £340k of works, the underlying budget variance therefore was an overspend of £238k.
- 2.19 A summary of the main variances are:

- **Community Safety and Street Scene (CSS) - £0.356m overspend**

Streetscene Services were £1.1m overspent. This overspend, was offset by improved performance in Highway Network Management by £0.6m. The significant change was from the opportunity to complete Highway improvements, funded from capital grants, which helped bring about a positive contribution from Highway Network Management.

The majority of the overspend was incurred on the cost of the Corporate Transport Unit, principally Home to School transport. Spending on a

combination of elements including vehicle hire, plus day-to-day running costs of vehicles. Escalating referrals for transporting clients for CYPS and Adult Services explains the increases in costs, but also day-to-day charges from transport contractors have increased above inflation in-year.

- **Culture Sport and Tourism (CST) - £0.360m underspend** - CST ended the year favourably with a planned underspend of £0.36m in order to support the out-turn position. Activities that led to underspending against budget included a higher than expected gain share payment from the Leisure PFI contract which is expected to be a one-off. Customer Services underspent by £0.3m. Libraries and Leisure Facilities also underspent by £0.1m each although Green Spaces and CST Management overspends balanced off those latter underspends. Despite running a varied programme of activity, the theatre and some leisure activities have not been able to achieve budgeted income this year, where increases were set as part of the ASR process. Cost restraint on non-pay budgets helped to achieve a better financial outcome.

- **Planning Regeneration and Transport (PRT) - £0.260m overspend**- The budget under severest pressure was the facilities management (FM) budget that overspent by £0.8m. However, activity undertaken by the construction design service to maximise income and achieve benefits from the YORhub Framework led to an equally favourable outcome of £0.9m overachieved income. The reason for the overspend in FM is chiefly down to the timing in achieving required savings of £1m, albeit progress on this is making headway. Elsewhere in PRT, Facilities Services budgets were affected by the pressures within the School Meals Service, as a result the service underachieved against target by £0.3m. This, however, was offset by an over-recovery on planning fee income.

2.20 Finance and Customer Services

2.21 There was an underspend of £0.156m in the Directorate. This included the one-off benefit of capitalising £113k of equipment costs. The underlying budget variance was therefore an underspend of £43k. Details of the main variances are set out below.

- **Legal Services - £1.2m overspend** – Significant challenges continued during the year from the continued demand for legal support with child protection hearings and court cases relating to Looked After Children. Whilst the recruitment to vacancies has recently been productive, throughout the year there has been a reliance on locum solicitors alongside a temporary arrangement with Sheffield City Council and associated costs.

The budget set for 2019/20 was based on anticipated demands of social care proceedings on legal services so whilst it is envisaged that there will continue to be pressures on the service, the financial impact should be manageable. Work is ongoing to identify ways of reducing demand for legal advice, coupled with a management restructure within the department, with the aim of better controlled use of resources.

- **Customer Information and Digital Services - £0.479m underspend** – an underspend largely as a result of vacancies being held pending a complete

review of Digital Services management and staffing structures being implemented and to support the overall financial position of the Directorate.

- **Financial Services - £0.269m underspend** - within Finance, reduced volume and value of school staff absence claims from the Schools Traded Service led to a less than expected overspend on this scheme. The pressure in-year was offset by vacancy control across the wider finance function.
- **Revenues and Benefits - £0.677m underspend** – in the main this is due to vacancy control, and maximisation of grant funding.

2.22 Assistant Chief Executive

2.23 There was an underspend of £0.815m, in the main due to vacancy control and savings from the HR restructure. Further details are:

- **Human Resources - £0.704m underspend** – this is largely due to vacancy control and the ability to capitalise salary costs relating to the implementation of the new HR and Payroll system. There were pressures in the service due to loss of income, however, these were offset by income from salary sacrifice schemes and additional income from new payroll contracts.
- **Policy and Partnerships - £0.167m underspend** – there were cost pressures on the Complaints Team as a result of the use of external investigators, however, these were offset by vacancy control and additional income from Public Health for the Department for Education mapping exercise.
- The underspends were partly offset by the costs of additional support for the development of budget options for 2019/20 and 2020/21 and change management support to the Adult Care Directorate to deliver transformational change.

2.24 Central Services

2.25 There was an underspend of £4.832m, this was mainly as a result of further savings identified from treasury management activity, a review of PFI funding and payment profiles, additional business rates relief grant income and savings from early payment of pension costs to SYPA.

2.26 HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT (HRA) OUTTURN 2018/19

2.27 The Housing Revenue Account (HRA) is a statutory ring-fenced account that the Council must maintain in respect of the income and expenditure incurred in relation to council dwellings and associated assets. The original approved budget included a revenue contribution to capital expenditure of £9.97m and a contribution of £4.528m from reserves to provide an overall balanced budget.

- 2.28 There were some pressures encountered during the year, which were primarily:
- An increased cost of borrowing due to an increase in bank interest rates
 - Reduced fee income as a result of lower than anticipated Right to Buys

2.29 However, these pressures were more than offset by a number of favourable movements, which resulted in a final year end underspend of £1.4m against the approved revenue budget. The main areas of underspend are as follows:

- Additional rental income due to quicker turnaround of void properties
- Additional income on Furnished Homes
- Increased court costs income
- Reduced bad debt provision required as a result of improved collection rates
- Underspends on staffing

2.30 The final capital spend requiring revenue funding was £17.82m, £7.85m greater than anticipated in the original budget. This was largely due to 2 factors:

- New developments approved after the original budget had been set
- Re-profiled spend on approved schemes

2.31 The £1.4m revenue underspend reduced the overall amount required from reserves to balance the budget. The final drawdown from the HRA reserve was just under £11m.

2.32 **SCHOOLS OUTTURN 2018/19**

School balances at the end of 2018/19 for the Council's maintained schools and pupil referral units was £3.369m. This is a £1.968m increase compared to the previous year and takes account of schools that have converted to academies during 2018/19.

2.33 **RESERVES**

2.34 As mitigation of some in-year overspending, use of £3.9m of earmarked grants and balances was utilised to support the delivery of a balanced budget.

2.35 In addition to the use of earmarked balances referred to above, there was a planned use of reserves of £5.2m in the budget for 2018/19 approved by Council in February 2018. However, due to the identification of additional savings from Central Services budgets, additional government funding and use of capital receipts flexibility, only £2m was required, leaving a balance of £3.2m available as a budget contingency for use in 2019/20 or later years.

2.36 The Budget and Council Tax Report 2019/20 set out the Reserves Strategy, which includes a planned increase in the Council's General Fund Minimum Balance to £21m by 2020/21 and a move to four main Corporate Reserves. The end of year balances for Earmarked Reserves, as shown in Table 3 below, supports the Council's plan for robust, risk assessed balances as set out in the Reserves Strategy.

2.37 The Corporate Reserve balances are shown in the table below and make up the Council's total earmarked reserves. Total General Fund revenue reserves balance at 31 March 2019 are £38.124m compared to £46.508m in the previous year.

2.38 The Council's General Fund minimum balance has been increased to £16.812m as a result of planned use and profiling of reserves balances as set out in the Council's Reserves Strategy.

Table 3 Total Earmarked Reserves as at 31 March 2019

	Balance as at 1 April 2018 £m	Transfer to/(from) in the year £m	Balance as at 31 March 2019 £m
General Fund Reserves			
Transformation	2.733	0	2.733
Furnished Homes	3.050	(3.050)	0
Insurance Fund	0.350	0	0.350
Business Rates	4.000	0	4.000
Pensions	4.925	0	4.925
PFI – Waste	0.234	(0.234)	0
PFI – Leisure	2.393	(2.393)	0
PFI – Education (Schools)	8.161	(5.021)	3.140
Looked After Children	1.000	(1.000)	0
Corporate Revenue Grants Reserve	5.664	(3.463)	2.201
Budget Contingency	0	3.182	3.182
Balances Earmarked to Directorates	2.619	(2.619)	0
Housing Transformation Fund	0	0.702	0.702
Other Minor Earmarked Reserves	0.110	(0.031)	0.079
Total General Fund Reserves	35.239	(13.927)	21.312
General Fund Minimum Balance	11.269	5.543	16.812
Total General Fund	46.508	(8.384)	38.124
DSG Grant Reserve	(9.687)	(5.427)	(15.114)

2.39 Capital Reserves

2.40 These reserves are held to finance capital expenditure. Capital Receipts are proceeds from the sale of an asset which are used to finance capital expenditure. The Capital Grants Unapplied Reserve holds grants and contributions received towards capital projects until the expenditure funded by that grant has been incurred, whilst the Major Repairs Reserve holds the unspent amount of HRA balances for capital financing purposes.

Table 4 Capital Reserves as at 31 March 2019

	Balance as at 31 March 2019	Committed Resources	Un- earmarked as at 31 March 2019

	£m	£m	£m
Capital Receipts			
General Fund	11.875	11.875	0
HRA	13.472	6.076	7.396
Sub-Total	25.347	17.951	7.396
Capital Grants – Unapplied			
General Fund (not service specific)	0	0	0
General Fund (service specific)	17.922	17.922	0
HRA	1.017	1.017	0
Sub-Total	18.939	18.939	0
Major Repairs Reserve – HRA	10.596	10.596	0
Total	54.882	47.486	7.396

2.41 CAPITAL OUTTURN 2018/19

2.42 The Capital Programme for 2018/19 was £99.750m split between the general fund £57.862m and HRA £41.888m. As at the financial year end 31 March 2019, the capital programme had expenditure of £91.642m, with underspend and slippage of (£8.108m). The breakdown of the outturn position by Directorate is shown below, together with a summary of the key variances between budget and outturn, and some key achievements in the year.

Table 4 Capital Outturn 2018/19

Directorate	2018/19 Budget £m	2018/19 Outturn £m	2018/19 Variance £m
General Fund Capital			
Children and Young Peoples Services	9.822	7.427	-2.395
Assistant Chief Executive	1.338	0.921	-0.417

Adult Care & Housing	4.069	4.321	0.252
Finance & Customer Services	5.187	1.965	-3.222
Regeneration & Environment	35.446	32.074	-3.372
Capitalisation Direction	2.000	1.676	-0.324
Total General Fund Capital	57.862	48.384	-9.478
Total HRA Capital	41.888	43.258	1.370
Total RMBC Capital Programme	99.750	91.642	-8.108

2.43 Children and Young People's Services

2.44 The CYPS capital programme outturn had £2.395m of underspend and slippage against the approved budget of £9.822m.

There were a number of variances contributing to the outturn at the year end with a number of Schools schemes required slippage of budget into 2019/20 following delays starting on site, with finalising designs, and through the decision to amalgamate a number of contracts to create efficiency savings. In addition there was a saving made on some delivered works due to value engineering.

As part of the outturn position the following key outputs have been delivered:

- Primary Schools: one new school build commenced at Harthill Primary, additional classrooms commenced at Wath CofE and design works started at Rawmarsh and Sandhill Academy.
- Secondary Schools: a new classroom block was constructed at Wales Academy & Wath Comprehensive
- Special: Additional classrooms built at Abbey and Newman Schools and one new swimming pool at Newman School.
- Relocation of a childrens centre from Flanderwell Primary to Highgreave Primary.
- Investment in over twenty schools through the capitalised enhancement programme.
- Work commenced or completed across six careers properties, via Pathways to Care.

2.45 Adult Care & Housing

2.46 The Adult Care & Housing capital programme outturn was an additional spend of £0.252m against the approved budget of £4.069m. The main variance contributing to this position was:

- The Furnished Homes scheme had additional expenditure of £0.118m. This project is a home furnishing rental scheme, whereby the capital financing costs of borrowing to fund the scheme are met by the rental streams generated. The scheme is demand led and self-financing with the additional borrowing requirement picked up by the rental streams.

- The Private Sector Adaptations scheme spent a further £0.097m resulting from the late award to the Council of additional top up grant funding (Disabled Facilities Grant), that had to be utilised before the year end. This project provides adaptations to properties to assist in allowing vulnerable people to remain within their own home.

As part of the outturn position the following key outputs have been delivered:

- 7 Community centre conversions completed delivering 16 new units.
- 189 Major Adaptations completed (Fair Access) to properties, including, but not limited to, hoists, level access showers, extensions, ramps, and stairlifts.
- 2,425 Assistive Technology Equipment issued to vulnerable people to help them remain in their homes, including but not limited to, riser/recliner chairs, bed sensors, automatic door openers, and radio guardian monitors.

2.47 Assistant Chief Executive

2.48 The Assistant Chief Executive capital programme outturn had £0.417m of underspend and slippage against the approved budget of £1.338m. The main variance contributing to this position was:

- Ward budgets have been re-profiled by £0.153m to allow for the finalisation of projects not completed in 2018/19.
- Some works for the replacement HR system fell within 2019/20. As a result £0.264m has been re-profiled.

2.49 Finance & Customer Services

2.50 The Finance & Customer Services capital programme outturn had £3.222m of underspend and slippage against the approved budget of £5.187m. The main variance contributing to this position was:

- The ICT refresh programme has been delayed whilst the service undertake a review of the Council's requirements in respect of the new telephony and software platforms (Office 365). These new systems are now expected to be implemented during 2019/20.

2.51 Regeneration & Environment

2.52 The Regeneration & Environment capital programme outturn had £3.372m of underspend and slippage against the approved budget of £35.446m. The main variance contributing to this position was:

- **Corporate Property Unit:** Operational Buildings capital investment programme has slippage of £0.331m, In addition CYPS Corporate property has slippage of £0.267m.
- **Transport & Highways:** The main slippage in this area is on the Clean Air Zone Electric Charging Points, £0.650m. This slippage will be carried forward. The tender process was being finalised at the year-end with a view to spend completing in the early part of 2019/20.

In addition there is significant slippage on Crinoline Bridge, £0.222m, College Road NPIF, £0.319m, Traffic Signal Renewal, £0.193m, and Traffic Signal Red-light camera digital upgrade, £0.173m.

- **Cultural Heritage & Sports:** Brinsworth Library requires an additional £0.043m to complete the funding of the tendered cost of the scheme. The updated Capital Programme proposes that this is met by the transfer of £0.043m from the Libraries Strategic Review project.
- **Street Scene Services:** The major scheme in this area, Bin Wagons/Bins had a £0.351m slippage at the year end. This budget will be carried forward into the new year to meet the procurement of the 1,100 litre steel bins to be completed.

As part of the outturn position the following key outputs have been delivered:

- £9.881m invested into improving the Borough's Carriageways, unclassified roads, and pavements including utilising the £1.651m grant from the Department for Transport that was awarded in Autumn 2018.
- Procurement of bin wagons and almost all the required bins as part of the Council's approved Waste Management Strategy.
- Purchase of grounds maintenance assets to remove the need to lease, ensuring budgeted savings within revenue are delivered.
- Delivery of the Rother Valley Country Park Caravan Park.

2.53 Transformation Programme (Capitalisation Direction)

2.54 The expenditure that the Council can capitalise under this direction is limited to the level of new-year Capital Receipts. A budget of £2.000m is included in the Capital Programme as an estimate of the availability to fund revenue expenditure that meets the criteria of being transformational spend. The Council's policy is to use new-year capital receipts to fund transformational costs that would otherwise be held within revenue expenditure accounts, releasing pressure on the revenue budget. The total receipts for 2018/19 was £1.676m.

2.55 Housing Revenue Account (HRA)

2.56 The HRA capital programme outturn was a £1.370m overspend against the approved budget of £41.888m. The main variance contributing to this position was:

- Site Clusters - this scheme is to deliver 217 units of new build housing across 7 sites, with a mixed tenure, including new Council Housing and private for sale properties. Due to significant cost increases from sites and inflation on materials, there were additional costs of £2.869m in 2018/19. The revised cost and funding profile of the scheme was approved by Cabinet on 18th March 2019.

- Communal Areas - Efficiencies were gained within the tender process and during on-site delivery, therefore £0.964m less budget was required to complete the scheme of works.
- Rothwell Grange SOAHP - £0.213m underspent in year, due to site issues. However the scheme is now in contract and work will commence in summer 2019.
- Lapwater Drive Estate Communals – The pre-tender estimate of £1.000m was reduced as a number of efficiencies were gained both through tender process and during on-site delivery totalling £0.219m.
- Maltby all Hallows Communals – The pre-tender estimate of £1.000m was reduced as a number of efficiencies were gained both through tender process and during on-site delivery totalling £0.571m.

As part of the outturn position the following key outputs have been delivered:

- 7 Community centre conversions completed delivering 16 new units.
- 27 new units delivered for social housing, comprising of 4 houses from site clusters (Gaitskell), 6 Bungalows for the elderly (2 sites, 4 at Aston and 2 at Treeton), 17 new purchased units under the strategic acquisitions programme.
- 450 Major Adaptations completed (Fair Access)
- 18 live environmental schemes completed within the year.
- 4,290 properties received investment during the financial year.

2.57 Funding of the Capital Programme 2018/19

2.58 The £91.643m of capital expenditure was funded as shown in the table below:

Table 5 Funding of the Capital Programme 2018/19

Funding Stream	Outturn £m
Grants and Contributions	20.407
Unsupported Borrowing	20.701
Capital Receipts	5.574
Capital Receipts - Flexible Use	1.686
Revenue Contributions	0.016
Total Funding - General Fund	48.384
Grants and Contributions	2.886
Housing Major Repairs Allowance	19.665
Useable Capital Receipts	2.902
Revenue Contributions	17.805
Total Funding - HRA	43.258
Total	91.643

2.59 Capital Receipts

2.60 The Council is continuing to undertake a comprehensive review of its assets and buildings portfolio with the aim of rationalising both its operational and non-operational asset holdings. This may contribute future capital receipts which are earmarked to support the revenue budget, using the capital receipts

flexibilities in place until 2021/22 to fund expenditure relating to transforming Council services to generate future revenue efficiency savings.

2.61 In 2018/19 General Fund Capital receipts of £2.315m were generated as shown in the table below. Although, £0.629m of this was for loan repayments, these cannot be used to support the revenue budget as only those receipts by the disposal of property, plant and equipment can be used under the capital receipts flexibilities available until 2021/22.

Table 6 – General Fund Capital Receipts Received in 2018/19

Description	Total as at 31st March 2019 £m
Land at White Hill Lane, Brinsworth	0.025
Plot 2 Bighton Link Road	0.100
Land at Dalton Lane	0.156
Simmonite Road (International Centre, Kimberworth)	0.018
Doncaster Gate	0.151
20 Percy Street	0.051
2 Goodwin Crescent	0.081
92 Creswick Road	0.116
36 Nelson Street	0.117
Wood View Former Children's Home	0.160
21 Scholes Lane	0.181
Land at William Street	0.200
Greasborough Road	0.325
Other De-minimus	0.006
Sub total - Useable In-Year Capital Receipts	1.686
Repayment of Loans	0.629
Total Capital Receipts	2.315

2.62 The useable capital receipts available to support the capital programme outturn of £1.686m, were fully utilised to support transformational projects within the Council.

2.63 The Flexible Use of Capital Receipts Strategy for 2019/20, approved at Council in February 2019, sets out the proposed use of capital receipts which are generated in 2019/20. In line with the Council's overall budget and financial strategies, the priority use of capital receipts was agreed as funding the costs associated with staff leaving the Council through service reconfiguration and funding the one-off revenue costs being incurred to support the Council's service development and delivery of efficiencies and savings.

2.64 The Strategy further outlines this one-off support as the costs of remodelling the workforce particularly within Children's Services, Adult Social Care and Regeneration & Environment.

2.65 Updated Capital Programme 2019/20 to 2022/23

2.66 The Capital Programme 2019/20 totals £130.484m split between the general fund £79.762m and HRA £50.722m, this has increased overall by £15.653m from the position reported to Cabinet on 15 April 2019. The movement is based on the latest profiles of expenditure against schemes, following the 2018/19 outturn position, factoring in slippage from 2018/19 of £7.073m, and the addition of new inclusions to the capital programme, through grant approvals or as part of specific cabinet reports, totalling £8.580m.

2.67 Additional grant funded schemes are added to the Capital Programme on an ongoing basis in accordance with the Financial and Procurement Procedure Rules. In addition a number of new capital proposals, requiring additional HRA funding, have been added to the capital programme, following approval of project specific cabinet reports. Grant and HRA schemes added since the report to Cabinet in April are listed below.

2.68 The updated Capital Programme attached as Appendices A to D reflects the 2018/19 Outturn, these additions and current capital scheme expenditure profiles.

Table 7: New Grant and HRA Funded Schemes

Directorate/Scheme	2019/20 £M	Post 2019/20 £m
Children and Young Peoples Services		
Waverley New Primary School – This new primary school is to be funded by a significant S106 contribution from the new housing development at Waverley, supported by Basic Need Grant. Designs and site surveys have been undertaken for the new school but actual start on site is not expected to commence until June 2019. The current forecast scheme costs are £9.420m, in support of these costs, the S106 contribution has increased, as part of the development agreement, the S106 agreement is index linked to the All In Tender price. The S106 contribution has therefore increased by £2.544m. The S106 contributions to the scheme have been profiled to 2019/20, with the supporting contributions from the Councils existing Basic Need Grant used to fund the latter stages of the project.	3.309	(0.764)
LA Maintained Schools Grant has been increased following confirmation of the grant available for 2019/20.	0.331	0

Capitalised Enhancements Grant estimates have been entered into the programme for 2021/22 and 2022/23.	0	2.100
Regeneration and Environment		
Local Safety Scheme adjusted following confirmation of grant award for 2019/20	(0.059)	0
Housing Revenue Account		
Site Clusters New Build Programme has seen its contribution from the HRA increased following a Cabinet report in March 2019, the increase was required due to significant cost increases in materials and in relation to site issues.	2.546	1.119
Town Centre New Housing: the project is developing housing on Council-owned sites in the town centre, in order to stimulate wider private sector investment as well as creating employment and training opportunities and generating income to the Council through New Homes Bonus, council tax, rental income and sales receipts. To assist in getting the schemes fully designed, planning in place and the sites fully assessed for deliverability, £0.472m has been made available within the HRA Capital Programme.	0.472	0
A report was submitted to cabinet in 9 July 2018 to fund the delivery of 12 bungalows for older people with support needs, as part of a project to trial modern methods of construction. This total budget of £1.981m is to be funded by these new grants and additional HRA contribution. Sheffield City Region Housing Fund Homes England Grant HRA Contribution	0.442 0.468 1.071	0 0 0
Total Additions	8.580	2.455

Table 8: Updated Capital Programme 2019/20 to 2022/23

Directorate	2019/20 Budget £m	2020/21 Budget £m	2021/22 Budget £m	2022/23 Budget £m	Total Budget £m
General Fund Capital					

Children and Young People's Services	17.358	8.464	3.989	4.508	34.319
Assistant Chief Executive	0.625	0.210	0.210	0.210	1.255
Adult Care & Housing	4.764	5.993	11.976	4.005	26.737
Finance and Customer Services	7.042	4.828	1.775	1.775	15.420
Regeneration and Environment	47.973	43.288	21.790	6.355	119.405
Capitalisation Direction	2.000	2.000	2.000	0.000	6.000
Total General Fund Capital	79.762	64.783	41.739	16.853	203.137
Total HRA Capital	50.722	26.113	22.275	22.275	121.385
Total RMBC Capital Programme	130.484	90.896	64.014	39.128	324.522

Forecast funding position of Capital Programme 2019/20

2.69 The £130.484m of capital expenditure is funded as shown in the table below;

Table 9: Funding of the approved Capital Programme

Funding Stream	2019/20 Budget £m
Grants And Contributions	33.321
Unsupported Borrowing	38.217
Capital Receipts	6.224
Capital Receipts - Flexible Use	2.000
Total Funding - General Fund	79.762
Grants And Contributions	2.815
Housing Major Repairs Allowance	18.306
Capital Receipts	13.046
Revenue Contribution	16.555
Total Funding - HRA	50.722
Total	130.484

3. Options considered and recommended proposal

3.1 This detail is set out in Section 3 above.

4. Consultation on proposal

4.1 None identified

5. Timetable and Accountability for Implementing this Decision

- 5.1 The Strategic Director - Finance and Customer Services is responsible for implementing any actions arising from the supported recommendations in this report. These should be actioned at the earliest opportunity to aid the monitoring of the 2019/20 Revenue Budget and Capital Programme.

6. Financial and Procurement Advice and Implications

- 6.1 As set out in the sections above.

7. Legal Advice and Implications

- 7.1 None identified.

8. Human Resources Advice and Implications

- 8.1 None identified.

9. Implications for Children and Young People and Vulnerable Adults

- 9.1 None identified.

10. Equalities and Human Rights Advice and Implications

- 10.1 None identified.

11. Implications for Partners

- 11.1 None identified.

12. Risks and Mitigation

- 12.1 There are increasing cost pressures associated with the rising demand for social care services. The Council will invest £17.5m to support these pressures over the next two financial years. The Council will continue to closely monitor its financial position throughout the year and if required management will implement appropriate mitigations.

- 12.2 There is funding uncertainty for the local government sector beyond 2019/20 pending the outcomes of the Government Spending Review 2019 and the Fair Funding Review, which will implement changes to the way in which local government is currently funded. The Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy will be revised and updated later in the year to reflect the outcomes of these reviews.

13. Accountable Officer(s)

Judith Badger, Strategic Director of Finance and Customer Services
Graham Saxton, Assistant Director of Financial Services
Paul Stone, Head of Corporate Finance.

Approvals obtained on behalf of:-

	Named Officer	Date
Chief Executive	Sharon Kemp	24/06/19
Strategic Director of Finance & Customer Services (S.151 Officer)	Judith Badger	21/06/19
Assistant Director of Legal Services (Monitoring Officer)	Bal Nahal	21/06/19
Assistant Director of Human Resources (if appropriate)	Lee Mann	17/06/19
Head of Procurement (if appropriate)	Karen Middlebrook	17/06/19

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Capital Programme General Fund 2019/20 to 2022/23

Directorate	Current Year		Future Years		Total Project
	Budget £		Budget £		Budget £
Adult Care & Housing	4,763,764		21,973,684		26,737,448
Children & Young Peoples Serv	17,358,178		16,960,361		34,318,539
Finance & Customer Services	9,042,015		12,378,000		21,420,015
Assistant Chief Executive	625,430		630,000		1,255,430
Regeneration & Environment	47,972,634		71,432,724		119,405,358
Total	79,762,021		123,374,769		203,136,790

Funding:

Funding Stream	Current Year		Future Years		Total Project
	Budget £		Budget £		Budget £
Grants And Contributions	33,321,472		70,546,464		103,867,936
Prudential Borrowing	38,216,814		42,398,971		80,615,785
Revenue Contribution	2,000,000		4,000,000		6,000,000
Usable Capital Receipts	6,223,735		6,429,334		12,653,069
Total	79,762,021		123,374,769		203,136,790

Capital Programme General Fund 2019/20 to 2022/23

Directorate	Service Area	Service Area	Sub Service	Project Code	Project	Current Year	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	Total Budget
						Budget £	Budget £	Budget £	Budget £	Budget £
Adult Care & Housing	Adult Services	Adult Services	Adults Grants Unallocated	CUZBUN	Adults Grants Unallocated	0	0	0	0	0
			Adults Grants Unallocated			0	0	0	0	0
			Assistive Technology	CU0700	Assistive Technology Equipment	780,000	680,000	680,000	680,000	2,820,000
				CU0502	Digital Support - Supported Living	0	0	0	0	0
				CU0503	Webroster mobile units	0	16,593	0	17,091	33,684
				CU0504	Social Care Mobile App LIQLOG	222,000	0	0	0	222,000
			Assistive Technology			1,002,000	696,593	680,000	697,091	3,075,684
			REWS Equipment	CU0701	REWS Capital	190,000	190,000	190,000	190,000	760,000
			REWS Equipment			190,000	190,000	190,000	190,000	760,000
			Adult Services			1,192,000	886,593	870,000	887,091	3,835,684
			Adult Services			1,192,000	886,593	870,000	887,091	3,835,684
	Neighbourhood Capital Programm	Fair Access to All	Aids and Adaptations (Private	CNF101	Adapts - WDP - Private Major	453,546	0	0	0	453,546
				CNF102	Adapts - MFS - Private Major	249,379	0	0	0	249,379
				CNF103	Adapts - OTHERS - Private Majr	1,027,225	0	0	0	1,027,225
				CNF201	Adapts - WDP - Private Minor	290,732	0	0	0	290,732
				CNF202	Adapts - MFS - Private Minor	175,708	0	0	0	175,708
				CNFBUN	Private Adapts Bud Unall	0	1,900,000	1,900,000	1,900,000	5,700,000
			Aids and Adaptations (Private			2,196,590	1,900,000	1,900,000	1,900,000	7,896,590
			Fair Access to All			2,196,590	1,900,000	1,900,000	1,900,000	7,896,590
		Neighbourhood Regeneration & Re	Bellows Road	CP0600	Bellows Road	68,641	0	0	0	68,641
			Bellows Road			68,641	0	0	0	68,641
			Canklow Clearance	CP0100	Canklow Clearance Project	0	0	0	0	0
			Canklow Clearance			0	0	0	0	0
			Extra Care Housing	CPZBUN	Extra Care Housing Scheme	0	2,000,000	8,000,000	0	10,000,000
			Extra Care Housing			0	2,000,000	8,000,000	0	10,000,000
			Monksbridge Demolition	CP0401	Monksbridge, Dinnington	71,800	0	0	0	71,800
			Monksbridge Demolition			71,800	0	0	0	71,800
			Neighbourhood Regeneration & Re			140,441	2,000,000	8,000,000	0	10,140,441
			Neighbourhood Capital Programm			2,337,031	3,900,000	9,900,000	1,900,000	18,037,031
	Neighbourhood Improvements - N	Neighbourhood Improvements Non	Fuel Poverty Vulnerable People	CP0802	Fuel Poverty-Vulnerable People	28,733	0	0	0	28,733
			Fuel Poverty Vulnerable People			28,733	0	0	0	28,733
			Furnished Homes CPTL	CPA001	Furnished Homes New CPTL	1,134,000	1,134,000	1,134,000	1,134,000	4,536,000
				CPA002	Furnished Homes Replace CPTL	72,000	72,000	72,000	0	216,000
			Furnished Homes CPTL			1,206,000	1,206,000	1,206,000	1,134,000	4,752,000
			N'bourhood Grants Unallocated	CPXBUN	N'Hoods Grants Unallocated	0	0	0	84,000	84,000
			N'bourhood Grants Unallocated			0	0	0	84,000	84,000
			Neighbourhood Improvements Non			1,234,733	1,206,000	1,206,000	1,218,000	4,864,733
			Neighbourhood Improvements - N			1,234,733	1,206,000	1,206,000	1,218,000	4,864,733
			Adult Care & Housing			4,763,764	5,992,593	11,976,000	4,005,091	26,737,448
Assistant Chief Executive	Democratic Services	Democratic Services	Democratic Services	CPC001	Rother Valley South CPTL	0	0	0	0	0
				CPC003	Rotherham North CPTL	0	0	0	0	0
				CPC004	Rotherham South CPTL	0	0	0	0	0

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Directorate	Service Area	Service Area	Sub Service	Project Code	Project	Current Year	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	Total Budget
						Budget £	Budget £	Budget £	Budget £	Budget £
				CPC005	Wentworth North CPTL	0	0	0	0	0
				CPC007	Wentworth Valley CPTL	0	0	0	0	0
				CXB100	ACE - Thurcroft Creatives - creation of a piece	8,900	0	0	0	8,900
				CPC008	Capt'l Inv't Ward Anst wdssets	10,500	10,000	10,000	10,000	40,500
				CPC009	Capt'l Inv't-Ward - Dinnington	10,415	10,000	10,000	10,000	40,415
				CPC010	Capt'l Inv't-Ward - Wales	14,960	10,000	10,000	10,000	44,960
				CPC011	Capt'l Inv't-Wd-Brinwth/catffe	19,635	10,000	10,000	10,000	49,635
				CPC012	Capt'l Inv't-Ward - Holderness	18,510	10,000	10,000	10,000	48,510
				CPC013	Capt'l Inv't-Ward - RotherVale	14,292	10,000	10,000	10,000	44,292
				CPC014	Capt'l Inv't-Ward - Keppel	14,317	10,000	10,000	10,000	44,317
				CPC015	Capt'l Inv't-Ward - Roth West	19,706	10,000	10,000	10,000	49,706
				CPC016	Capt'l Inv't-Ward - Wingfield	18,291	10,000	10,000	10,000	48,291
				CPC017	Capt'l Inv't-Ward - Bostn Ctle	14,494	10,000	10,000	10,000	44,494
				CPC018	Capt'l Inv't-Ward - Roth East	19,879	10,000	10,000	10,000	49,879
				CPC019	Capt'l Inv't-Ward - Sitwell	16,032	10,000	10,000	10,000	46,032
				CPC020	Capt'l Inv't-Ward - Hooper	17,807	10,000	10,000	10,000	47,807
				CPC021	Capt'l Inv't-Ward - Swinton	13,789	10,000	10,000	10,000	43,789
				CPC022	Capt'l Inv't-Ward - Wath	13,228	10,000	10,000	10,000	43,228
				CPC023	Capt'l Inv't-Ward - Rawmarsh	20,319	10,000	10,000	10,000	50,319
				CPC024	Capt'l Inv't-Ward - Silverwood	17,670	10,000	10,000	10,000	47,670
				CPC025	Capt'l Inv't-Ward - Valley	22,290	10,000	10,000	10,000	52,290
				CPC026	Capt'l Inv't-Ward - Maltby	18,761	10,000	10,000	10,000	48,761
				CPC027	Capt'l Inv't-Ward - Hellaby	18,199	10,000	10,000	10,000	48,199
				CPC028	Capt'l Inv't-Ward - Wickersley	19,619	10,000	10,000	10,000	49,619
			Democratic Services			361,613	210,000	210,000	210,000	991,613
		Democratic Services				361,613	210,000	210,000	210,000	991,613
	Democratic Services					361,613	210,000	210,000	210,000	991,613
	Human Resources	Human Resources	Human Resources	CXA001	Replace HR & Payroll system	263,817	0	0	0	263,817
			Human Resources			263,817	0	0	0	263,817
		Human Resources				263,817	0	0	0	263,817
						263,817	0	0	0	263,817
	Human Resources					263,817	0	0	0	263,817
	Assistant Chief Executive					625,430	210,000	210,000	210,000	1,255,430
Children & Young Peoples Serv	CYPs - RMBC	Other CYPs	Children & Families	CE1014	Thrybergh CC Satelite CPTL	0	0	0	0	0
				CE1026	Thurcroft Jnr Childcare dev	0	0	0	0	0
				CE1027	Flanderwell Pri Childcare dev	0	0	0	0	0
				CE1030	Replacement minibus-LibertyHse	0	0	0	0	0
				CE1031	Harthill Primary School Contribution	0	0	0	0	0
				CE1032	Grafton & Cranworth Contact Centres	0	0	0	0	0
				CED900	Adaptations - Foster Care	1,338,628	640,000	640,000	640,000	3,258,628
				CEL900	Early Education Place Grant	103,491	0	0	0	103,491
			Children & Families			1,442,119	640,000	640,000	640,000	3,362,119
		Other CYPs				1,442,119	640,000	640,000	640,000	3,362,119

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Directorate	Service Area	Service Area	Sub Service	Project Code	Project	Current Year	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	Total Budget
						Budget £	Budget £	Budget £	Budget £	Budget £
		Schools	Schools - Capitalised Enh	C0006N	Aston Lodge Primary	0	0	0	0	0
				C0018N	East Dene Primary	0	0	0	0	0
				C0023N	Maltby Academy Secondary	0	0	0	0	0
				C0027N	Redscope Primary	0	0	0	0	0
				C0028N	Redscope Primary	0	0	0	0	0
				C0034N	St Thomas CofE	0	0	0	0	0
				C0035N	Swallownest Primary	0	0	0	0	0
				C0052N	Kitchen Canopies Asbestos surv	0	0	0	0	0
				C0056N	Badsley Pri Curtain wall Ph 2	0	0	0	0	0
				C0060N	Brins Manor Inf Damp Works	0	0	0	0	0
				C0077N	Thorpe Hes Pri Kitchen Canopy	0	0	0	0	0
				C0081N	West Melton Pr Legionella reme	0	0	0	0	0
				C0083N	Kimb'worth Pri 15/16projCEN002	0	0	0	0	0
				C0084N	Broom Valley CC Boiler replac	0	0	0	0	0
				C0085N	Rawmarsh Rye Inf Boiler replac	0	0	0	0	0
				C0086N	Maltby Lillyhall Boiler replac	0	0	0	0	0
				C0090N	Clifton School Drainage work	0	0	0	0	0
				C0091N	Aston Fence J & I School	0	0	0	0	0
				C0092N	Blackburn PS R'place Windows	0	0	0	0	0
				C0093N	Bramley S'side I.S. H'ting Fea	10,000	0	0	0	10,000
				C0094N	Brinsworth Howrth P.S Roofing	0	0	0	0	0
				C0095N	Broom Valley C.P Hot Water Sys	0	0	0	0	0
				C0096N	Fernham P.S Ext'd Tiolet area	0	0	0	0	0
				C0097N	Newman Sch Inc NAR Re-roof	238,373	0	0	0	238,373
				C0098N	Redscope PS Struct Wall tie	0	0	0	0	0
				C0100N	Sitwell I.S F Alrm, E Light Rm	0	0	0	0	0
				C0101N	St Anns J&I Sch Re-roof	126,675	0	0	0	126,675
				C0102N	Stepping Stones CC Em'cy Light	0	0	0	0	0
				C0103N	Swallownest P.S F&T, Re-roof	0	0	0	0	0
				C0104N	Wales P.S Rep Fascia & Soffit	0	0	0	0	0
				C0105N	The Willows Valleys & Gutters	0	0	0	0	0
				C0106N	The Willows Compliant Ramp	0	0	0	0	0
				C0107N	St Ann's J&I Kit- Ext Fan	0	0	0	0	0
				C0108N	Badsley Pri Kit/Din New Flr	0	0	0	0	0
				C0109N	East Dene Pr - Asbestos Remove	0	0	0	0	0
				C0110N	Thurcroft Infant	0	0	0	0	0
				C0111N	Thrybergh Academy	0	0	0	0	0
				C0112N	Clifton Community School - Academy	0	0	0	0	0
				C0113N	West Melton	0	0	0	0	0
				C0114N	Thrybergh Academy Asbestos Removal	0	0	0	0	0
				C0128N	St Anns J&I Fire Alarm, etc	78,510	0	0	0	78,510
				C0129N	St Anns J&I Bolier & Heater	179,785	0	0	0	179,785

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Directorate	Service Area	Service Area	Sub Service	Project Code	Project	Current Year	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	Total Budget
						Budget £	Budget £	Budget £	Budget £	Budget £
				C0131N	Thurcroft Infant- Kitchen Can	67,663	0	0	0	67,663
				CE7006	Newman Special School - 10 additional place	56,499	0	0	0	56,499
				CE7007	Newman Sch -St Barnibus C Hall	13,739	0	0	0	13,739
				CE7008	The Willows - 1 C'room Ext	287,056	0	0	0	287,056
				CENBUN	Capitalised Enhancements Unall	1,135,030	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	4,135,030
				CENF02	CEN FWT Remedials CNTL CPTL	80,000	0	0	0	80,000
				Schools - Capitalised Enh		2,273,330	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	5,273,330
			Schools - Prims - Major	CE1005	New Central Prim School	0	0	0	0	0
				CE1016	Kiveton Park Inf -Nursery Prov	0	0	0	0	0
				CE1018	Dalton Foljambe Primary	0	0	0	0	0
				CE1019	Brampton Cortw'd Inf class rm	0	0	0	0	0
				CE1020	Laughton J&I add classrooms	0	0	0	0	0
				CE1021	Wath CoFE Primary Classroom Pr	5,300	0	0	0	5,300
				CE1022	R'marsh Sandhill Pri add class	548,029	0	0	0	548,029
				CE1024	Maltby Hall Infants-Demolition	0	0	0	0	0
				CE1028	Waverley New Primary School	7,239,000	1,429,000	135,000	0	8,803,000
				CE1029	Bramley S'side Jnr mod classrm	0	0	0	0	0
				Schools - Prims - Major		7,792,329	1,429,000	135,000	0	9,356,329
			Schools - PRUs	CE8902	Riverside (Catcliffe) PRU CPTL	49,530	0	0	0	49,530
				CE8904	Rowan Centre PRU adaptations	0	0	0	0	0
				Schools - PRUs		49,530	0	0	0	49,530
			Schools - Secs - Major	CE5001	Wickersley SSC Expansion.	0	0	0	0	0
				CE5002	Wales School add. classrooms	155,850	0	0	0	155,850
				CE5003	Wath Comp add. classrooms	0	0	0	0	0
				CE5004	Aston Acad replace classrooms	2,191,175	1,800,000	0	0	3,991,175
				CE5005	Wickersley Remedial Cladding Works	0	0	0	0	0
				CE5BUN	Secondary BUDGET UNALLOC	980,760	2,385,114	865,000	1,000,000	5,230,874
				Schools - Secs - Major		3,327,785	4,185,114	865,000	1,000,000	9,377,899
			Schools - Spcls - Major	CE7000	Wingfield Academy - SEND provi	0	0	0	0	0
				CE7001	Thrybergh Academy - SEND provi	0	0	0	0	0
				CE7002	Newman School swimming pool	740,058	0	0	0	740,058
				CE7004	Cherry Tree Hse- Refurb (SEND)	0	0	0	0	0
				CE7005	Abbey School SEND 2 add C/Room	76,672	0	0	0	76,672
				CE7BUN	Special BUDGET UNALLOC	700,100	200,666	0	0	900,766
				Schools - Spcls - Major		1,516,830	200,666	0	0	1,717,496
			Schools PFI Life Cycle Program	CE5900	Schools PFI Life Cycle Program	725,216	808,994	1,173,564	1,718,023	4,425,797
			Schools PFI Life Cycle Program			725,216	808,994	1,173,564	1,718,023	4,425,797
			Schools			15,685,020	7,623,774	3,173,564	3,718,023	30,200,381
			CYPS - RMBC			17,127,139	8,263,774	3,813,564	4,358,023	33,562,500
DFC	DFC - RMBC	DFC - RMBC all	CEXBUN	DFCG Unallocated		231,039	200,000	175,000	150,000	756,039
		DFC - RMBC all				231,039	200,000	175,000	150,000	756,039
	DFC - RMBC					231,039	200,000	175,000	150,000	756,039

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	DFC					231,039	200,000	175,000	150,000	756,039
Children & Young Peoples Serv						17,358,178	8,463,774	3,988,564	4,508,023	34,318,539
Finance & Customer Services	F&CS	F&CS	F&CS - REFCUS	CTR805	Transformation Projects	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	0	6,000,000
			F&CS - REFCUS			2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	0	6,000,000
			F&CS - RMBC	CTR004	Acq Mayors Car	0	0	0	0	0
			F&CS - RMBC			0	0	0	0	0
		F&CS				2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	0	6,000,000
	F&CS					2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	0	6,000,000
	ICT	Disabled - ICT	Disabled - ICT	CTT001	Tech Refresh-Other ICT	0	0	0	0	0
			Disabled - ICT			0	0	0	0	0
		Disabled - ICT				0	0	0	0	0
		ICT 2	ICT 2	CTT208	Finl Systms Upgrdes-ICT2	200,000	0	0	0	200,000
				CTT211	RMBCWebsite Enhncmnt-ICT2	0	0	0	0	0
				CTT213	Customer Access-hard ICT2	0	0	0	0	0
				CTT283	Spend Analytics (BI) - ICT2	790	0	0	0	790
				CTT286	Iken Upgrade	10,000	0	0	0	10,000
				CTT287	Planned print leased machines	10,000	0	0	0	10,000
				CTT288	Fleet of MFD printers	0	0	0	0	0
				CTT291	Social Care IT System - CNTL C	0	0	0	0	0
				CTT294	ICT RESILIENCE	9,341	0	0	0	9,341
			ICT 2			230,131	0	0	0	230,131
		ICT 2				230,131	0	0	0	230,131
	ICT Refresh	ICT Refresh	CTT218	ICT Digital Strategy		317,083	0	0	0	317,083
			CTT219	Computer Refresh		1,436,398	910,000	910,000	910,000	4,166,398
			CTT220	Network Equipment Refresh Proj		595,146	630,000	630,000	630,000	2,485,146
			CTT221	Replacement of server equip		333,245	235,000	235,000	235,000	1,038,245
			CTT222	Telephony System Replacement		1,242,000	0	0	0	1,242,000
			CTT223	Storage area network replace		610,734	0	0	0	610,734
			CTT224	Mobile Applications - Liquid Logic		1,615,000	3,053,000	0	0	4,668,000
			CTT226	E5 Development		0	0	0	0	0
			CTT227	South Yorkshire Superfast Broadband		0	0	0	0	0
			CTT225	Microsoft 365		0	0	0	0	0
			CTT296	SY superfast broadband		662,278	0	0	0	662,278
			ICT Refresh			6,811,884	4,828,000	1,775,000	1,775,000	15,189,884
		ICT Refresh				6,811,884	4,828,000	1,775,000	1,775,000	15,189,884
	ICT					7,042,015	4,828,000	1,775,000	1,775,000	15,420,015
Finance & Customer Services						9,042,015	6,828,000	3,775,000	1,775,000	21,420,015
Regeneration & Environment	Community Safety & Street Scene	Network Management	Drainage	CGF005	Wath Flood Alleviation	18,986	0	0	0	18,986
				CGF008	AstonAughtonSwnest PropProtPh2	0	0	0	0	0
				CGF009	Herringthorpe V Flood Defence	8	0	270,000	0	270,008
				CGF010	Whiston Brook Flood Storage	9,827	0	0	0	9,827
				CGF011	Parkgate FAS	10,000	0	0	0	10,000

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				CGF012	Rotherham to Kilnhurst FAS	239,064	0	0	0	239,064			
				CGF013	Maltby Surface Water FAS	20,560	0	0	0	20,560			
				CGF014	Eel Mires Dike FAS	23,150	0	0	0	23,150			
				CGF015	Flood Alleviation (ERDF)	450,000	2,750,000	40,000	0	3,240,000			
			Drainage					771,595	2,750,000	310,000	0	3,831,595	
			Highways Delivery	CGR001	Carriageway Resurfacing	2,485,850	2,485,850	2,485,850	2,485,850	9,943,400			
				CGR005	Highway Maintenance	0	0	0	0	0			
				CGR006	Unclassified Roads	0	0	0	0	0			
				CGR007	DFT Pothole Grant 1718	0	0	0	0	0			
				CGR008	Unclassified Rds 17/18 ? 19/20	4,668,305	0	0	0	4,668,305			
				CGR010	Capitalisation Carriageways	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	2,000,000			
				CGR011	Multi Hog vehicle	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	1,200,000			
				CGR012	Three Tippers vehicles	0	0	0	0	0			
				CGR013	Cap Rights of way	34,000	34,000	34,000	34,000	136,000			
				CGR014	Pavement Improvements	0	0	0	0	0			
				CGR015	Winter Damage Pothole/Flood	5,944	0	0	0	5,944			
				Highways Delivery					7,994,099	3,319,850	3,319,850	3,319,850	17,953,649
				Street Lighting	CGL002	Replacemnt/Upgrade Street Lght	159,367	0	0	0	159,367		
					CGL004	St Lighting Invest to Save	0	0	0	0	0		
			CGL005		St Lighting LTP 15/16 - 19/20	179,700	179,700	179,700	179,700	718,800			
			CGL006		Upgrade PLL lighting to LED	554,310	0	0	0	554,310			
			CGL007		Capitalisation Lighting	150,000	150,000	150,000	0	450,000			
			CGL009		Replace Obsolete Strt Lighting	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	160,000			
			CGL008		Cap benches signs bollards	80,386	75,000	75,000	75,000	305,386			
			Street Lighting					1,163,763	444,700	444,700	294,700	2,347,863	
			Network Management					9,929,457	6,514,550	4,074,550	3,614,550	24,133,107	
			Safer Neighbourhoods	Safer Neighbourhoods	CN0100	Carhill Landfill Site	45,000	0	0	0	45,000		
					CN0105	Wath Landfill Site	17,275	0	0	0	17,275		
					CN0106	CCTV Investment	0	0	0	0	0		
					CN0200	Air Quality residual	0	0	0	0	0		
			Safer Neighbourhoods					62,275	0	0	0	62,275	
			Safer Neighbourhoods					62,275	0	0	0	62,275	
			Street Scene Services	Waste Management	CGY002	PFI Residual Waste Facility	0	0	0	0	0		
					CGY004	Bins	502,088	150,775	150,775	150,775	954,413		
					CGY005	Bin Wagons	0	0	0	0	0		
					CGY013	Fleet Mgt System	54,000	0	0	0	54,000		
					CGY014	Fleet Mgt Vehicle Purchase	2,051,000	0	0	0	2,051,000		
					CLC011	Cap damaged litter bins	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	32,000		
					CLC012	Equipment & Bins	495,324	0	0	0	495,324		
					CGC014	Fleet Mgt Vehicle Purchase	0	0	0	0	0		
					CLC013	Replacement mobile CCTV cams	0	0	0	0	0		
					Waste Management					3,110,412	158,775	158,775	158,775

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		Street Scene Services				3,110,412	158,775	158,775	158,775	3,586,737
		Community Safety & Street Scene				13,102,144	6,673,325	4,233,325	3,773,325	27,782,119
	Culture, Sport & Tourism	Cultural Heritage & Sports	Heritage Services	CLM005	Ready to Borrow	0	0	0	0	0
			Heritage Services			0	0	0	0	0
		Libraries		CLL001	Brinsworth Library	251,718	0	0	0	251,718
				CLL003	Libraries Infrastructure	0	0	0	0	0
				CLL002	Strat Review of Libraries	34,753	0	0	0	34,753
			Libraries			286,471	0	0	0	286,471
		Cultural Heritage & Sports				286,471	0	0	0	286,471
	Leisure & Community Service	Green Spaces		CLA001	Allotments	100,000	0	0	0	100,000
				CLC005	RVCP Grass Cutter	0	0	0	0	0
				CLC006	RVCP Electric Boats	0	0	0	0	0
				CLC007	Capital RVCP Broadband	0	0	0	0	0
				CLC008	RVCP Caravan Park	0	0	0	0	0
				CLC009	Clifton Car Park & Tennis Crts	0	0	0	0	0
				CLC010	Grounds Maint Eq Purchase	23,460	0	0	0	23,460
				CLC014	Clifton park Slide	53,000	0	0	0	53,000
				CLC015	RVCP Automated Parking	91,000	0	0	0	91,000
				CLC016	RVCP Safety Boats	84,000	0	0	0	84,000
				CLC017	Allotments	0	0	0	0	0
				CLD001	Treeton St Helen Church Yard	450,000	0	0	0	450,000
				CLR004	Firsby Reservoir Phase 2	0	0	0	0	0
				CLS002	Leisure PFI Equip lifecycle	0	0	0	0	0
				CLS003	Leisure PFI Aston car park	0	0	0	0	0
				CLS004	Leisure PFI lifecycle	286,942	482,000	848,000	461,000	2,077,942
				CLU010	Alexandra Park Play Area	3,804	0	0	0	3,804
				CLU011	Thurcroft POS - Play	0	0	0	0	0
				CLU012	Sanctuary Fields s106	4,745	0	0	0	4,745
				CLU014	Wath Park Childrens Play	0	0	0	0	0
				CLU015	S106 Packman Way for play prov	20,000	0	0	0	20,000
				CLU017	Clifton Park Bollards	0	0	0	0	0
				CLU018	Barkers Park Changing Rooms Re	10,888	0	0	0	10,888
				CLU019	The Wickets MUGA	82,711	0	0	0	82,711
				CLU020	CCTV Investment	50,000	0	0	0	50,000
		Green Spaces				1,260,550	482,000	848,000	461,000	3,051,550
		St Cleansing		CLB002	Town Centre Cleansing Machines	0	0	0	0	0
		St Cleansing				0	0	0	0	0
		Leisure & Community Service				1,260,550	482,000	848,000	461,000	3,051,550
	Culture, Sport & Tourism					1,547,021	482,000	848,000	461,000	3,338,021
	Planning, Regen & Transport	Corp Property Unit	Corporate Property Cap Proj	CGY016	Wellgate Cpark Ret. Wall	46,000	0	0	0	46,000
				CSD004	Demo Swinton Off&SwimmingPool	0	0	0	0	0
				CSD005	Charnwood House Demo	0	0	0	0	0

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				CSD006	Greasbrough TH Demo	0	0	0	0	0
				CSD007	St Johns Green CC Demo	0	0	0	0	0
				CSD008	Psalters Lane Demo	0	0	0	0	0
				CSD009	Maltby Library Demo	4,055	0	0	0	4,055
				CSD010	Copeland Lodge Demo	18,614	0	0	0	18,614
				CSR003	Bailey House Condition+	59,028	0	0	0	59,028
				CSR004	Swinton Civic Hall	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR007	LEDs Riverside House	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR012	Suitability&Relocations in RH	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR013	All Saints Public Toilet Work	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR014	Wath Montgomery Square (Asb)	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR015	Eric Manns relo Evolve team	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR016	Chatham Villas	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR018	Dalton YC - Refurb	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR019	Kiveton YC - Alterations	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR021	Rawmarsh CSC - Alterations	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR023	The Place - Alterations	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR024	Winterhill Early Help - ICT Up	3,145	0	0	0	3,145
				CSR025	Catcliffe Primary Early Help	8,557	0	0	0	8,557
				CSR026	Chatham Villas ph2 - Altertn's	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR027	Nelson Street Refurb	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR028	Wath YC	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR029	Wingfield YC - EH team	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR030	RotherValley CP-Heating	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR031	Maltby Library Relocation	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR032	Barbers Depot-Shutters	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR033	Wath Library -Concrete	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR034	Bailey House-WorksD12	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR035	Hellaby Roof	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR036	Markets Imps -O16	2,789	0	0	0	2,789
				CSR037	Barbot Hall Ind	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR039	Bailey House Roof	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR040	Civic Theatre-refurb	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR041	Vic Park-Drainage	20,000	0	0	0	20,000
				CSR043	OpsBuildings-Caps	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR045	Middle Lane South, Clifton	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR046	Cranworth Centre	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR047	Relocation Visitor's Centre	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR048	Greasbrough Library Project	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR049	Rawmarsh Dale Rd Com Centre	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR050	Sch Caretakers Premises	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR052	Crowden OPC lift/fire	0	0	0	0	0

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				CSR053	Ops Buildings Cap Inv - Co Location	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR054	Rain Building -Upgrade Fire Alarm Panel	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR055	Hellaby Depot CCTV	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR056	Herringthorpe Stadium	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR057	All Saints Fountain - Legionella works	4,000	0	0	0	4,000
				CSR058	Various Resurfacing Works	87,539	0	0	0	87,539
				CSR059	Bailey Hse Extnl Wrks & Lights	119,619	0	0	0	119,619
				CSR060	Garden Hut, Bryely Road	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR061	Miscellaneous Minor Works	250,000	0	0	0	250,000
				CSR062	Market Stalls Project Work	4,963	0	0	0	4,963
				CSR063	Aston CSC Air Con	0	0	0	0	0
				CSR064	Grafton/Cranworth Contact Cent	180,000	0	0	0	180,000
				CSRXX1	Hellaby Depot CCTV	0	0	0	0	0
				CSRXX2	Herringthorpe Stadium	0	0	0	0	0
				CSRXX3	All Saints Fountain - Legionella works	0	0	0	0	0
				CSRBUN	Ops Buildings Cap Inv	886,419	549,000	550,000	550,000	2,535,419
				CSXBUN	Corps CYPS BUN	239,433	0	0	0	239,433
				CSY001	Commercial Property Cap	403,050	75,000	75,000	75,000	628,050
				CSY002	Riverside House part lease	400,000	0	0	0	400,000
			Corporate Property Cap Proj			2,737,211	624,000	625,000	625,000	4,611,211
			Corp Property Unit			2,737,211	624,000	625,000	625,000	4,611,211
		RIDO	Business Growth	CS5001	Private-Twn Ctr Business Vit	58,579	0	0	0	58,579
				CS5002	RMBC-Town Ctr Business Vit	12,768	0	0	0	12,768
			Business Growth			71,347	0	0	0	71,347
			Inv & Economic Initiatives	CSA005	Acq Forge Island	0	0	0	0	0
				CSA006	Acq. of Riverside Precinct	144,568	0	0	0	144,568
				CSA007	Magistrates Court Demo	0	0	0	0	0
				CSA009	Town Centre Masterplan Cap	0	0	0	0	0
				CSA010	NHS Land Acquisition Swinton TC	0	0	0	0	0
				CSA011	Land Aqu Millfold Hse&Henley G	370,000	0	0	0	370,000
				CSA012	Town Centre Masterplan Imp	425,277	0	0	0	425,277
				CSA013	Forge Island Flood Defence	4,024,668	0	0	0	4,024,668
				CSA014	Flood Alleviation (ERDF supported)	0	0	0	0	0
				CSABUN	Town Centre Investment	0	9,341,399	0	0	9,341,399
				CSC006	Bassingthorpe Farm	252,286	100,000	0	0	352,286
				CSC007	Pithouse West Investigations	11,117	0	0	0	11,117
				CSC008	Beighton Link Growth Fund	5,400,000	0	0	0	5,400,000
				CSC009	Century Phase II	3,070,670	0	0	0	3,070,670
				CSC010	Bassingthorpe Farm Land Acq	910,000	0	0	0	910,000
				CSCBUN	Growth Fund	0	0	0	0	0
				CSP003	High Street Public Realm	0	0	0	0	0
			Inv & Economic Initiatives			14,608,586	9,441,399	0	0	24,049,985

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		RIDO				14,679,933	9,441,399	0	0	24,121,332
		Transportation & Highways	Bridges	CGB001	Bridge Assessments	0	0	0	0	0
				CGB010	Canklow River Bridge	0	0	0	0	0
				CGB011	Talbot Road Bridge	0	0	0	0	0
				CGB012	Brookhouse Rail Bridge	0	0	0	0	0
				CGB014	Clough Road Bridge	0	0	0	0	0
				CGB017	Bessemer Way Bridge	0	0	0	0	0
				CGB020	Barrow Hill Retaining Wall	0	0	0	0	0
				CGBBUN	Bridges unallocated	581,152	329,450	329,450	329,450	1,569,502
			Bridges			581,152	329,450	329,450	329,450	1,569,502
			Connectivity	CGCBUN	Unallocated Connectivity	432,694	341,000	341,000	341,000	1,455,694
			Connectivity			432,694	341,000	341,000	341,000	1,455,694
			Local Safety Schemes	CGY015	Comm Aspects of Rd Sfty	150,000	150,000	150,000	0	450,000
				CGLBUN	Unallocated Local Safety S	345,000	375,000	375,000	375,000	1,470,000
			Local Safety Schemes			495,000	525,000	525,000	375,000	1,920,000
			LSTF & Smarter Choices	CGSBUN	Unallocated Smarter Choices	50,000	0	0	0	50,000
			LSTF & Smarter Choices			50,000	0	0	0	50,000
			Major Schemes	CGA011	A618 Growth Corridor Phase 1	0	0	0	0	0
				CGA012	A618 Growth Corridor Phase 2	600,000	0	0	0	600,000
				CGA013	Parkway Widening ph2	3,720,000	23,802,000	14,438,000	0	41,960,000
				CGA014	Waverley Link Rd Main Works	0	0	0	0	0
				CGA015	College Road NPIF	4,159,365	125,000	0	0	4,284,365
				CGA016	Community Aspects of Road Safety	0	0	0	0	0
				CGA017	A618 Growth Corridor Phase 2 design	0	0	0	0	0
				CGB008	Old Flats Bridge Pinch Point	0	0	0	0	0
				CGB023	Crinoline Bridge Repairs	542,147	0	0	0	542,147
				CGC047	A630 Pool Green Roundabout	62,094	0	0	0	62,094
				CGF007	Holmes Tail Goit Pumping Stn	1,510,946	0	0	0	1,510,946
				CGN002	A57 (T) M1 NATA	0	0	0	0	0
				CGN020	SYITS infrastructure	4,096	0	0	0	4,096
				CGN051	SYITS Com Database	0	0	0	0	0
				CGN055	A630 Sheffield Parkway widenin	1,929,335	0	0	0	1,929,335
				CGN056	Waverley Link Road	0	0	0	0	0
				CGN078	Bawtry Rd Bramley mor to ch In	111,462	0	0	0	111,462
				CGN079	Wellgate Carpark Retaining Wall	0	0	0	0	0
				CGU003	Chantry Bridge Bus Priority	0	0	0	0	0
				CGS005	Traffic Signal Refurb Prog	34,515	0	0	0	34,515
				CGS006	Traff Signal renewal Prog	493,931	500,000	0	0	993,931
				CGS007	Trafsig redlight cam digi upgra	0	0	0	0	0
				CGW060	Cont pedxings job1 Fenton Rd	0	0	0	0	0
				CGW061	Cont pedxings job2 A631 Bawtry	120,000	0	0	0	120,000
				CGW062	Cont pedxings job3 A633 High S	0	120,000	0	0	120,000

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				CGY010	Com Infra Levy (CIL) software	0	0	0	0	0
				CGX021	Clean Air Zones - Early Measures	2,050	0	0	0	2,050
				CGY012	Clean Air Zones Elec Chrg Pts	647,538	0	0	0	647,538
			Major Schemes		13,937,479	24,547,000	14,438,000	0	52,922,479	
			Network Management	CGNBUN	Unallocated Network Man	410,000	325,000	450,000	450,000	1,635,000
			Network Management		410,000	325,000	450,000	450,000	1,635,000	
			Sustainable Tran Exemplar Prog	CGTBUN	Unallocated Step 2	0	0	0	0	0
			Sustainable Tran Exemplar Prog		0	0	0	0	0	
			Transportation & Highways		15,906,325	26,067,450	16,083,450	1,495,450	59,552,675	
	Planning, Regen & Transport		33,323,469	36,132,849	16,708,450	2,120,450	88,285,218			
Regeneration & Environment						47,972,634	43,288,174	21,789,775	6,354,775	119,405,358
Summary						79,762,021	64,782,541	41,739,339	16,852,889	203,136,790

Capital Programme HRA Fund 2019/20 to 2022/23

Directorate	Current Year		Future Years		Total Project
	Budget £		Budget £		Budget £
HRA	50,722,112		70,663,269		121,385,381
Total	50,722,112		70,663,269		121,385,381

Funding:

Funding Stream	Current Year		Future Years		Total Project
	Budget £		Budget £		Budget £
Grants And Contributions	2,814,500		976,500		3,791,000
Major Repairs Allowance	18,305,908		56,809,000		75,114,908
Revenue Contribution	16,555,213		11,619,795		28,175,008
Usable Capital Receipts	13,046,491		1,257,974		14,304,465
Total	50,722,112		70,663,269		121,385,381

Capital Programme HRA Fund 2019/20 to 2022/23

Directorate	Service Area	Service Area	Sub Service	Project Code	Project	Current Year	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	Total Budget
						Budget £	Budget £	Budget £	Budget £	Budget £
HRA	Neighbourhood Capital Programm	Fair Access to All	Aids and Adaptations (Public S	CJF301	Adapts - WDP - Public Major	926,524	0	0	0	926,524
				CJF302	Adapts - MFS - Public Major	620,798	0	0	0	620,798
				CJF303	Adapts - OTHERS - Public Major	416,479	0	0	0	416,479
				CJF401	Adapts - WDP - Public Minor	172,558	0	0	0	172,558
				CJF402	Adapts - MFS - Public Minor	113,641	0	0	0	113,641
				CJFBUN	Public Adapts Bud Unall	0	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	6,000,000
			Aids and Adaptations (Public S			2,250,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	8,250,000
			Fair Access to All			2,250,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	8,250,000
		Improving Council Housing & Ho	Asbestos	CJQ101	Asbestos-Testing & Removal	530,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	1,730,000
			Asbestos			530,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	1,730,000
			Beeversleigh	CJS103	Beeversleigh Doors.Misc	0	0	0	0	0
			Beeversleigh			0	0	0	0	0
			District Heating	CJ0602	District Heating Conversions	100,000	0	0	0	100,000
				CJJ515	Vine Close-Pipework to dwell's	0	0	0	0	0
				CJJ519	Vale Road	30,000	0	0	0	30,000
				CJJ520	Hampstead Green DH	0	0	0	0	0
				CJJ522	Grange Estate Heat Meters	0	0	0	0	0
				CJJ525	Mansfield DH	120,000	0	0	0	120,000
				CJTBUN	District Heating Bud Unall	200,000	450,000	450,000	450,000	1,550,000
			District Heating			450,000	450,000	450,000	450,000	1,800,000
			Electrical Board & Bond	CJJ301	WDP - Board and Bond	0	0	0	0	0
			Electrical Board & Bond			0	0	0	0	0
			Environmental Programme	CJE220	Dawson Croft-Car Park Works	0	0	0	0	0
				CJE226	Woodlands Close	0	0	0	0	0
				CJE227	Wingfield Road Phase 2 Enviro	0	0	0	0	0
				CJE228	Markfield Drive Phase 2 Enviro	0	0	0	0	0
				CJE229	Albert Street Phase 2 Enviro	0	0	0	0	0
				CJE232	Badsley Moor Lane Boundary Imp	0	0	0	0	0
				CJE233	Warwick St Access.bin storage.	0	0	0	0	0
				CJE234	Fleming Way Park Impts	0	0	0	0	0
				CJE235	Wellfield Lodge bin storage im	0	0	0	0	0
				CJE236	Leverton Creation of parking b	0	0	0	0	0
				CJE237	Pike Rd Bin store imp	0	0	0	0	0
				CJE238	St Philips Access improvements	140,000	0	0	0	140,000
				CJE239	Staple Green pathway imp	0	0	0	0	0
				CJE240	Tristford parking imp	0	0	0	0	0
				CJE241	Christchurch Rd Parking prov'n	0	0	0	0	0
				CJE242	Library Close access-surfacing	0	0	0	0	0
				CJE243	High Nook Pk, Dinn'ton Impts	30,000	0	0	0	30,000
				CJE244	Lyme tree Play Area design	0	0	0	0	0
				CJE247	H'thorpeVily Rd hwy resurface	0	0	0	0	0
				CJE248	School Close Wales Enviro	0	0	0	0	0

Capital Programme HRA Fund 2019/20 to 2022/23

Directorate	Service Area	Service Area	Sub Service	Project Code	Project	Current Year	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	Total Budget	
						Budget £	Budget £	Budget £	Budget £	Budget £	
				CJE249	Hawksworth Road Enviro	20,000	0	0	0	20,000	
				CJE250	Church Close Enviro	0	0	0	0	0	
				CJE251	St Johns Green Princint	100,000	0	0	0	100,000	
				CJE252	Woodland Drive	42,000	0	0	0	42,000	
				CJE253	Hayfield Walk	51,000	0	0	0	51,000	
				CJE255	Cedar Drive	40,000	0	0	0	40,000	
				CJE256	Plowmans Way	40,000	0	0	0	40,000	
				CJE257	Hepworth Drive	30,000	0	0	0	30,000	
				CJE258	Brameld Road	20,000	0	0	0	20,000	
				CJE259	Robinets Road Fencing	5,000	0	0	0	5,000	
				CJE260	Birdwell Road Parking	11,000	0	0	0	11,000	
				CJEBUN	Environmental Bud Unall	271,000	800,000	800,000	800,000	2,671,000	
				Environmental Programme		800,000	800,000	800,000	800,000	3,200,000	
				External Insulation	CJN401	Thermal Improvments	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	2,000,000
					CJN402	Fitzwilliam - Swinton Thermal	0	0	0	0	0
				External Insulation		500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	2,000,000	
				Garage Site Investment	CJ0806	Unsustainable Garage Sites	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	1,000,000
				Garage Site Investment		250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	1,000,000	
				General Structures	CJM301	Capital Structural Work	975,000	0	0	0	975,000
				General Structures		975,000	0	0	0	975,000	
				IHMS (IT System)	CJ1003	HIMS Computer System	700,000	500,000	0	0	1,200,000
				IHMS (IT System)		700,000	500,000	0	0	1,200,000	
				Major Voids Capital Prog	CJC101	WDP - Major Voids	1,400,000	1,400,000	1,400,000	1,400,000	5,600,000
					CJC102	MFS - Major Voids	1,400,000	1,400,000	1,400,000	1,400,000	5,600,000
				Major Voids Capital Prog		2,800,000	2,800,000	2,800,000	2,800,000	11,200,000	
				Refurbishments	CJA102	MFS - Site Prelims	450,000	0	0	0	450,000
					CJA113	Rawmarsh External	0	0	0	0	0
					CJA117	Kimberworth Roofing	808,336	0	0	0	808,336
					CJA118	Wharnccliffe Flats RoofRWG Balc	0	0	0	0	0
					CJA119	Aston/Org/Swall Extnals Ph 1	1,671,376	0	0	0	1,671,376
					CJA120	Thrybergh Externals Phase 1	1,978,868	0	0	0	1,978,868
					CJA121	Dawsons Croft Communals	0	0	0	0	0
					CJA122	Soil Stacks	150,000	0	0	0	150,000
					CJA123	Beeversleigh Concrete Repairs	200,000	0	0	0	200,000
					CJA401	MFS - Internal-MFS C5 1A	938,420	0	0	0	938,420
					CJA710	The Lanes Balconies	0	0	0	0	0
					CJA714	Vine Close Communals	0	0	0	0	0
					CJA715	Munsb'gh Roof,Chim,FSB,RWG	0	0	0	0	0
					CJA718	Rock'ghm&Wingf'd Asb'tos Gutts	0	0	0	0	0
					CJA719	Durham Place Bungalows	0	0	0	0	0
					CJA720	Rockingham House Lift	0	0	0	0	0
					CJA721	Lapwater Drive Est Communals	0	0	0	0	0

Capital Programme HRA Fund 2019/20 to 2022/23

Directorate	Service Area	Service Area	Sub Service	Project Code	Project	Current Year	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	Total Budget	
						Budget £	Budget £	Budget £	Budget £	Budget £	
				CJA722	Hampstead Green Communals	0	0	0	0	0	
				CJA723	Maltby all Hallows Communals	0	0	0	0	0	
				CJA725	Sprinkler Systems	287,000	0	0	0	287,000	
				CJA726	Communals	1,100,000	0	0	0	1,100,000	
				CJA727	Alderson Close Curtain Wall	100,000	0	0	0	100,000	
				CJA728	Blocks & Balconies	425,000	0	0	0	425,000	
				CJA729	Bin Stores	2,571,805	0	0	0	2,571,805	
				CJA801	Design & Appraisal	75,000	0	0	0	75,000	
				CJABUN	Refurb Bud Unall	1,010,120	13,500,000	13,575,000	13,575,000	41,660,120	
				CJB101	Replacement Windows	1,008,343	0	0	0	1,008,343	
				Refurbishments		12,774,268	13,500,000	13,575,000	13,575,000	53,424,268	
			Replacement of Central Heating	CJJ101	WDP - Ad Hoc Boiler Repl'ts	1,320,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	5,820,000	
				CJJ102	WDP-Fires(gas2elec/elec2elec)	45,000	0	0	0	45,000	
				CJJ103	WDP - Magna Cleans	25,000	0	0	0	25,000	
				CJJ104	WDP - Hard Wire Stats	35,000	0	0	0	35,000	
				CJJ105	WDP-Boilers Scheme 1	800,000	0	0	0	800,000	
				CJJ108	MFS - Boiler Swaps on Voids	75,000	0	0	0	75,000	
				Replacement of Central Heating		2,300,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	6,800,000	
			Replacement of Communal Doors	CJD101	Communal Doors (High Security)	50,000	0	0	0	50,000	
			Replacement of Communal Doors		50,000	0	0	0	50,000		
			Sheltered Housing Communal Are	CJR101	Community Centre Improvements	0	0	0	0	0	
				CJR103	Comm Centre Conv-Sorrel Sykes	0	0	0	0	0	
				CJR104	Comm Centre Conv-Arbour Drive	0	0	0	0	0	
				CJR107	Comm Centre Conv-Ash Grove	0	0	0	0	0	
				CJR108	Comm Centre Conv-Dorothy Tayl	0	0	0	0	0	
				CJR109	Comm Centre Conv-Caperns Rd	0	0	0	0	0	
				CJR110	Comm Centre Conv-Normanville	0	0	0	0	0	
				CJR111	Comm C'tre Conv-Victoria Court	0	0	0	0	0	
				CJR112	Robert Street, Com cent conv	0	0	0	0	0	
				CJR113	Station Rd, T'ton Comcent conv	0	0	0	0	0	
				CJR114	Ann Rhodes Com cent conv	0	0	0	0	0	
				CJRBUN	Community Centre Imps-Bud Unal	0	0	0	0	0	
				Sheltered Housing Communal Are		0	0	0	0	0	
			Improving Council Housing & Ho		22,129,268	20,700,000	20,275,000	20,275,000	83,379,268		
			New Housing Provision	Site Clusters	CJP001	Site Cluster Braithwell	5,237,046	602,931	0	0	5,839,977
					CJP002	Site Cluster Rotherview Road 1	1,415,723	342,470	0	0	1,758,193
					CJP003	Site Cluster Rotherview Road 2	3,772,442	912,573	0	0	4,685,015
					CJP004	Site Cluster Conway	980,011	0	0	0	980,011
					CJP005	Site Cluster Farnworth	886,907	0	0	0	886,907
					CJP006	Site Cluster Gaitskell	23,159	0	0	0	23,159
					CJP007	Site Cluster Shakespear	677,810	0	0	0	677,810
					Site Clusters		12,993,098	1,857,974	0	0	14,851,072

Capital Programme HRA Fund 2019/20 to 2022/23

Directorate	Service Area	Service Area	Sub Service	Project Code	Project	Current Year	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	Total Budget			
						Budget £	Budget £	Budget £	Budget £	Budget £			
			SOAHP delivery	CJP008	Bellows Road SOAHP	5,211,038	0	0	0	5,211,038			
				CJP009	Rothwell Grange SOAHP units	4,165,194	1,388,398	0	0	5,553,592			
				CJP010	Braithwell Rd SOAHP Bungalows	666,572	166,897	0	0	833,469			
				CJP011	Arundel Ave Bungws SOAHP	0	0	0	0	0			
				CJP012	SOAHP Bungalows - 4 units	0	0	0	0	0			
				CJP100	Millfold Site	139,354	0	0	0	139,354			
				CJP101	Sheffield Road Site	181,685	0	0	0	181,685			
				CJP102	Henleys Site	151,285	0	0	0	151,285			
				CJP200	MMC Bungalows	1,981,640	0	0	0	1,981,640			
				SOAHP delivery		12,496,768	1,555,295	0	0	14,052,063			
			Stock Conversions	CJH101	Grange Road Flats Conversion	0	0	0	0	0			
			Stock Conversions		0	0	0	0	0				
			Strategic Acquisitions	CJ0117	SA Waverley	0	0	0	0	0			
				CJ0120	Catherine Ave & St Marys Drive	0	0	0	0	0			
				CJ0122	Waverley HC5 Avant	0	0	0	0	0			
				CJ0123	Queens Ave KivetonPk 12 units	261,257	0	0	0	261,257			
				CJ0124	Pennypiece Lane	591,721	0	0	0	591,721			
				CJHBUN	LA Strat Acquisit'ns Bud Unall	0	0	0	0	0			
			Strategic Acquisitions		852,978	0	0	0	852,978				
			New Housing Provision		26,342,844	3,413,269	0	0	29,756,113				
			Neighbourhood Capital Programm						50,722,112	26,113,269	22,275,000	22,275,000	121,385,381
			HRA						50,722,112	26,113,269	22,275,000	22,275,000	121,385,381
			Summary						50,722,112	26,113,269	22,275,000	22,275,000	121,385,381

Initial Equality Screening Assessment (Part A)

As a public authority we need to ensure that all our strategies, policies, service and functions, both current and proposed have given proper consideration to equality and diversity.

A **screening** process can help judge relevance and provide a record of both the process and decision. Screening should be a short, sharp exercise that determines relevance for all new and revised strategies, policies, services and functions.

Completed at the earliest opportunity it will help to determine:

- the relevance of proposals and decisions to equality and diversity
- whether or not equality and diversity is being/has already been considered, and
- whether or not it is necessary to carry out an equality analysis.

Directorate: Finance and Customer Services	Service area: Finance
Lead person: Paul Stone	Contact number: 01709 822013

1. Title:

Is this a:

☐

Strategy / Policy

☒

Service / Function

☐

Other

If other, please specify

2. Please provide a brief description of what you are screening

The Council has a framework of budgetary monitoring and reporting that ensures budget management is exercised within annual cash limits.

The framework ensures that the forecast outturn position is reported regularly to Members during the year, including details of the final outturn position.

This Cabinet report outlines the final revenue and capital outturn position for 2018/19.

Given that the revenue and capital budgets have been approved by Council in February 2018, when equality assessments would have been considered at that time in respect of the budget proposals, there are no further issues in respect of equality and diversity.

3. Relevance to equality and diversity

All the Council's strategies/policies, services/functions affect service users, employees or the wider community – borough wide or more local. These will also have a greater/lesser relevance to equality and diversity.

The following questions will help you to identify how relevant your proposals are.

When considering these questions think about age, carers, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation and any other relevant characteristics (for example socio-economic status, social class, income, unemployment, residential location or family background and education or skills levels).

Questions	Yes	No
Could the proposal have implications regarding the accessibility of services to the whole or wider community?		x
Could the proposal affect service users?		x
Has there been or is there likely to be an impact on an individual or group with protected characteristics?		x
Have there been or likely to be any public concerns regarding the proposal?		x
Could the proposal affect how the Council's services, commissioning or procurement activities are organised, provided, located and by whom?		x
Could the proposal affect the Council's workforce or employment practices?		x

If you have answered **no** to all the questions above please complete **sections 5 and 6**.

If you have answered **yes** to any of the above please complete **section 4**.

4. Considering the impact on equality and diversity

If you have not already done so, the impact on equality and diversity should be considered within your proposals prior to carrying out an **Equality Analysis**.

Considering equality and diversity will help to eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and take active steps to create a discrimination free society by meeting a group or individual's needs and encouraging participation.

Please provide specific details for all three areas below and use the prompts for

guidance.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How have you considered equality and diversity? n/a 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key findings n/a 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Actions n/a 	
Date to scope and plan your Equality Analysis:	n/a
Date to complete your Equality Analysis:	n/a
Lead person for your Equality Analysis (Include name and job title):	n/a

5. Governance, ownership and approval

Please state here who has approved the actions and outcomes of the screening:

Name	Job title	Date
Graham Saxton	Assistant Director – Financial Services	18 June 2019

6. Publishing

This screening document will act as evidence that due regard to equality and diversity has been given.

If this screening relates to a **Cabinet, key delegated officer decision, Council, other committee or a significant operational decision** a copy of the completed document should be attached as an appendix and published alongside the relevant report.

A copy of **all** screenings should also be sent to equality@rotherham.gov.uk For record keeping purposes it will be kept on file and also published on the Council's Equality and Diversity Internet page.

Date screening completed	18 th June 2019
If relates to a Key Delegated Decision, Executive Board, Council or a Significant Operational Decision – report date and date sent for publication	
Date screening sent to Performance, Intelligence and Improvement equality@rotherham.gov.uk	

Name of Committee and Date of Committee Meeting

Council - 24 July 2019

Report Title

Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2018-19

Is this a Key Decision and has it been included on the Forward Plan?

No

Strategic Director Approving Submission of the Report

Shokat Lal, Assistant Chief Executive

Report Author(s)

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Ward(s) Affected

Borough-wide

Report Summary

This report presents the final draft of the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report for 2018-19 for Members' approval, having been endorsed by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board on 3 July 2019.

Recommendation

That the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2018-19 be approved.

List of Appendices Included

Appendix 1 Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2018-19

Background Papers

Minutes of Scrutiny meetings during 2018-19
Scrutiny Review reports and responses from Cabinet

Consideration by any other Council Committee, Scrutiny or Advisory Panel

Overview and Scrutiny Management Board – 3 July 2019

Council Approval Required

Yes

Exempt from the Press and Public

No

Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2018-19

1. Background

- 1.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report provides a retrospective summary of the work undertaken and outcomes achieved by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board and the three Select Commissions last year. It also offers a look ahead for 2019-20 in terms of future priorities through a headline work programme.
- 1.2 It is a good opportunity to provide information to Members, officers, partner agencies and the general public about the role and work of Scrutiny and to formally thank Scrutiny Members and our co-optees for their contributions.
- 1.3 The intention is to show tangible outcomes that have been achieved and which may be directly attributable to the work of Scrutiny, illustrating the added value Scrutiny brings to the work of the Council. The draft report is attached as Appendix 1.

2. Key Issues

- 2.1 The scrutiny work programme, as outlined in the annual report, helps to achieve corporate priorities by addressing key policy and performance agendas and the outcomes focus on adding value.
- 2.2 The report is a key tool for engaging Members, officers and the general public in the detail of Scrutiny work and hopes to encourage wider involvement in scrutiny, as an important aspect of local democracy and the Council's governance processes. This had a renewed focus in 2018-19 and will be developed further in the year ahead.

3. Options considered and recommended proposal

- 3.1 This report presents the final draft of the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report for 2018-19 for consideration and approval by Council.

4. Consultation on proposal

- 4.1 This section is not applicable to this report.

5. Timetable and Accountability for Implementing this Decision

- 5.1 As Council is recommended to approve the Annual Report, there are no further stages in the decision making process.
- 5.2 The Head of Democratic Services and Statutory Scrutiny Officer is accountable for the publication of the report.

6. Financial and Procurement Advice and Implications

- 6.1 There are no financial or procurement implications associated with the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report.

7. Legal Advice and Implications

- 7.1 Article 8(6) of the Council's Constitution requires the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board to submit an annual report to the Council and this report is submitted to meet that requirement.

8. Human Resources Advice and Implications

- 8.1 There are no direct human resources implications associated with this report.

9. Implications for Children and Young People and Vulnerable Adults

- 9.1 There are no direct implications for children and young people and vulnerable adults associated with this report, however the scrutiny function has undertaken work throughout the past year to support both groups.

10. Equalities and Human Rights Advice and Implications

- 10.1 Scrutiny focuses on promoting equality through improving access to services and support and ensuring the needs of groups sharing an equality protected characteristic are taken into account.

11. Implications for Partners

- 11.1 There are no implications for partners associated with this report.

12. Risks and Mitigation

- 12.1 There are no risks associated with the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report.

13. Accountable Officer(s)

James McLaughlin, Head of Democratic Services and Statutory Scrutiny Officer

This report is published on the Council's [website](#).

Overview and Scrutiny in Rotherham



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Welcome to the Annual Report of Overview and Scrutiny



This report presents a summary of the extensive scrutiny work programme undertaken last year by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board (OSMB) and the three Select Commissions - Health (HSC), Improving Lives (ILSC) and Improving Places (IPSC).

It encompasses the full range of scrutiny work carried out - pre-decision scrutiny; focused pieces of work on a specific issue; standard agenda items considered each year; and areas such as service transformation that continue over a longer period.

After scrutinising proposals for various major strategies in pre-decision scrutiny during 2018-19, such as the Customer Access Strategy, Scrutiny is keen to ensure that the non-executive Members will be involved in evaluating the impact of the changes on customer experience. The OSMB also emphasised its expectations to see equality impact assessments (EIA) included with proposals as an important aspect of the assurance process, and it is positive to see this becoming more embedded.

Recommendations from spotlight reviews of Adult Community Learning; Drug and Alcohol Services; and Adult Residential and Nursing Care Homes have all been accepted. Cabinet also acknowledged the contribution made by the in-depth scrutiny review to strengthening arrangements for managing use of agency, interim and consultancy staff. Formal responses to the recommendations resulting from the following reviews/workshops - Modern Methods of Construction; Transition from Children's to Adult Services; and Multi-agency Working in Complex Abuse Investigations will be reported later in the year.

It is always a pleasure to support the Youth Cabinet in the Children's Commissioner's Takeover Challenge and this year we also welcomed participation from Rotherham Young Carers. The theme was based on improving opportunities for young carers to access leisure activities and I look forward to receiving the review report and recommendations from the young people. Last year's theme looked at improving work experience for all young people and the recommendations will feed in to the Rotherham Employment and Skills Strategy and action plan.

It is pleasing to see that Scrutiny Members have again been out and about on visits to partners and service providers, either during reviews as part of their evidence gathering or to explore how things are working in practice following service changes. The session at Voluntary Action Rotherham resulted in two members of Rotherham Parent Carers Forum contributing to scrutiny of social, emotional and mental health, bringing their perspective as parents and service users as well as being partners in co-production.

Of late the work programme has strongly emphasised budgetary matters, linked to performance and delivery of improvement plans and strategies. Scrutiny Members will continue to seek assurances about future service sustainability through consideration of the work by services on demand management and new approaches in social care.

Finally, I would like to thank all Scrutiny Members for their hard work last year and their commitment to undertaking effective scrutiny in Rotherham. I would also like to thank our co-optees who have given their time voluntarily to enhance the scrutiny process. In particular, I wish to recognise the positive and insightful contributions to scrutiny made by the late Lilian Shears from RotherFed on IPSC, who sadly passed away in June 2019.

I feel confident that the scrutiny function in Rotherham will continue to evolve and strengthen, achieving positive outcomes again in 2019-20 through our work programme.

Cllr Brian Steele, Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Management Board

Enhancing the Scrutiny Function

Introduction

The restoration of local democratic control of all services to the Council, including full decision-making powers to Cabinet, in September 2018 following Government intervention was a significant step forward. Lead Commissioner Mary Ney said: *“The Commissioners are pleased that the continuous hard work of members, officers and partners in Rotherham has resulted in sufficient improvement for democratic decision-making to be restored to the Council.”*

The scrutiny function continues to be critical within the Council's formal governance arrangements, in ensuring oversight, accountability and transparency. Since the start of intervention the scrutiny function has been strengthened, underpinned by an extensive development programme to equip Members with the skills and confidence to carry out effective and meaningful scrutiny across all services. Scrutiny will continue to evolve and provide the necessary challenge to drive improvements and ensure further progress.

Scrutiny roles

Scrutiny is an important means of engaging Members, Council officers, partner agencies and the public in local democracy by considering major issues that affect the Borough and our communities.

- ❖ **Holding to account** - Scrutiny provides a “critical friend” to decision makers in ensuring that their decisions reflect the views and priorities of local people and that decisions are implemented properly. The Executive may be held to account by scrutiny reviewing a decision before it is implemented, known as “call in”.
- ❖ **Policy development** - Our scrutiny committees undertake reviews into areas of concern, consider policies and practices, and look at performance information before making recommendations or suggestions to Cabinet and partners about how policies and services could be improved.
- ❖ **Pre-decision scrutiny** - OSMB use the Forward Plan of Key Decisions to identify a small number of policy decisions to scrutinise in advance of them going to Cabinet. Details of these and additional recommendations from OSMB are on pages 8-9.

Work programme

Each year Members develop a scrutiny work programme using a prioritisation process to make sure their focus is on the right issues. Financial management and performance management will remain as key themes to ensure the Council achieves its priorities in view of the financial challenges faced. Service transformation and reconfiguration is another area in which Scrutiny seeks assurance that issues such as consultation, equality, communication, access and long term sustainability are all taken into account.

Members employed various methods in delivering their work programme last year in order to use the most effective approach for each issue under scrutiny. Performance sub-groups; task and finish groups; full and spotlight reviews; workshops; visits to service providers; and focused single item meetings all featured, in addition to reports or presentations to the full committee.

RMBC Scrutiny Members continue to participate in sub-regional scrutiny to ensure Rotherham has a voice and that our priorities and concerns are heard. We have been represented on the Sheffield City Region Combined Authority Overview and Scrutiny Committee; the South Yorkshire, Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire and Wakefield Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee; and the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel.

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Next steps

- ❖ In 2019-20 work will continue to build on the progress made by the scrutiny function in recent years. The intention is to maintain a strong focus on holding the Executive to account but also maximising opportunities for a wider role in policy development.
- ❖ The Scrutiny Chairs held a positive reflective session to discuss their approach to scrutiny in 2019-20 and devised some core principles:
 - Focus on outcomes
 - Cross-commission working where possible
 - Debriefs after meetings to reflect and apply learning
 - Delegation of pre-decision scrutiny to the Select Commissions when possible
 - Chairs to continue meeting with individual Cabinet Members regularly to keep abreast of key issues
- ❖ Scrutiny would have more scope to influence policy, seek assurances or request additional information if pre-decision scrutiny were to take place at an earlier stage than just prior to the decision by Cabinet and this will need to be discussed.
- ❖ For major transformation projects OSMB have emphasised the need for Scrutiny to see clear timelines and milestones to facilitate progress monitoring.
- ❖ Greater public involvement in scrutiny is important and did have a renewed focus in 2018, with some positive results, as evinced in *Getting Involved* on pages 4-5. Members are keen to develop this further by building on the links made with groups and considering use of social media for engagement with scrutiny.
- ❖ Under Overview and Scrutiny Procedural Rules, responses to scrutiny review recommendations are to be reported back to Council within two months of the Council receiving the report and recommendations from the OSMB. During 2018-19 the response to several reviews exceeded this deadline and this is an area to tighten up given the time-limited nature of many reviews and the importance of showing the valued contributions of Scrutiny Members.
- ❖ Successful improvements or changes as a result of scrutiny work are not always referred to in subsequent officer reports. It would reinforce the impact and value added by scrutiny if their contributions were always acknowledged.
- ❖ In addition to building the effectiveness of the scrutiny function, there are also process issues to resolve which would make the function more efficient, particularly around items for the scheduled meetings:
 - Responses to other recommendations from Scrutiny – although systems are in place for responses to reviews and for recommendations made in pre-decision scrutiny, a formal process is needed for ones resulting from either scrutiny of items in scheduled meetings or more informal scrutiny workshops.
 - Forward Plan of Key Decisions – attainable dates when items are added to the plan will facilitate scheduling items for scrutiny i.e. right date first time.
 - Items removed from or added to agendas at short notice – this creates practical difficulties in managing agendas and may result in a meeting with a less meaningful agenda, an overloaded meeting agenda, or having to schedule an extra meeting, all in the context of the busy diary commitments of Members, officers and other witnesses.
- ❖ It is also timely to revisit the terms of reference for scrutiny and ways of working, as this has not been done for a few years, looking at good practice in other authorities.

Getting Involved in Scrutiny

Scrutiny Services constantly look at ways to raise public awareness of scrutiny work to try and encourage more people to be involved, through providing information and giving their views. It is important that scrutiny reflects the needs and concerns of everyone who lives and/or works in Rotherham.

We engage with the public in different ways alongside the positive contributions made by our co-optees, such as working with the Youth Cabinet to improve mental health services. We also speak regularly to tenants groups and have sought service user views on Early Help and other projects. Other examples of recent engagement activity include:

“An Audience with Scrutiny”

Cllrs Sansome and Steele participated in one of the “An Audience with ...” sessions hosted by Voluntary Action Rotherham (VAR). They met with representatives from various voluntary and community sector (VCS) organisations to discuss what scrutiny is, how it works in Rotherham and how the VCS could become more directly involved in scrutiny work. Health, social care and housing in particular were issues that the VCS representatives were interested in. Further links with VAR are planned.

OSMB

- Has a standard agenda item at their meetings for the Youth Cabinet to raise any issues or concerns.
- Supports the Youth Cabinet in the annual Children’s Commissioner’s Takeover Challenge, which this year also involved young carers from Rotherham and Sheffield.
- Involved looked after children in the review of Modern Methods of Construction through participation in the site visits and hearing their thoughts and ideas.
- Considers petitions from members of the public with 600 or more signatures that are referred from Council.

HSC

- Have invited carers and carers representatives to scrutiny meetings, as mentioned on page 1 regarding social, emotional and mental health.
- Contact Healthwatch for any information they have to feed in to reviews/agenda items in addition to the standard agenda item for Healthwatch to raise any issues with Members.

ILSC

11 Young Inspectors met with ILSC Members who were impressed with their work and commitment. Members suggested that it would be helpful if copies of the summary reports, including outline recommendations and the response from the service, could be shared with ILSC. This would assist them in understanding where improvements had been made and if there were any areas of concern still outstanding. It was agreed that the summary reports from Exclusions and Contact Centres would be circulated. ILSC will maintain their links with the Young Inspectors. See also page 6 - Barnado’s ReachOut.

IPSC

- Three young housing tenants shared their personal experiences with Members and were congratulated for the positive impact they were making. Discussion also took place on other forms of support that could be put in place to support young tenants.

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- The Chair and Vice Chair, together with officers, met with approximately 30 community members to discuss their concerns regarding bereavement services.

Scrutiny meetings take place in public and include a dedicated slot for members of the public to ask questions on the items on the agenda. More detailed information about the scrutiny process is included on our webpages at www.rotherham.gov.uk/scrutiny.

This includes a “have your say” form for people to submit evidence for a review, make a suggestion or raise a query about scrutiny. We hope this will encourage people to communicate with us on-line and contribute to scrutiny even if they are unable to attend scrutiny meetings. We will also be looking at using social media as a means of developing our public engagement.

You can find out more about the issues scrutinised in previous reviews on our website. Two recent examples are Drug and Alcohol Services and Use of Agency, Interim and Consultancy Staff by the Council. The responses from Cabinet (and partners where applicable) to recommendations made by the scrutiny committees are also available.

Broad areas for scrutiny in the 2019-20 work programme are set out on page 27, providing a flavour of the work coming up. VAR, the Children and Young People’s Consortium, Rotherham Youth Cabinet, Young Inspectors and the Different But Equal Board have also been invited to send in their suggestions on key issues or concerns to inform the work programme. Once the final version has been confirmed we will regularly update the webpages about current and upcoming work and welcome your involvement.

The next section in this report highlights where scrutiny has successfully had a positive impact, either at pre-decision stage, in reviews and workshops or through scrutiny of agenda items at the scheduled meetings.

Public engagement during 2018-19

The scrutiny bodies continued to welcome members of the public to their meetings as observers and co-opted members. Scrutiny Members appreciate their input in reviews and discussions and would like to thank the co-optees who served on the Select Commissions in 2018-19.

Health - Victoria Farnsworth and Robert Parkin, Speakup

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Improving Places - Wendy Birch and Lilian Shears, RotherFed

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Outcomes from Scrutiny

In this section are examples highlighting where positive changes have resulted, or are under way, as a result of the work undertaken by Scrutiny, either this year or as a result of previous recommendations. As the sections for each committee show later in the report, some outcomes are less tangible than the ones provided here. They tend to be ones where Scrutiny has looked closely at a particular service, or at the development and implementation of a strategy, over time, until Members have been assured about progress and improvements. Examples include improvements in child and adolescent mental health services, bereavement services and the multi-agency response to domestic abuse.

- ❖ The final Youth Transport Charter and promotional poster developed by young people with SYPTE, following a Children's Commissioner's Takeover Challenge, have been published and a new webpage launched.
- ❖ IPSC asked RotherFed to consider including a young tenant on the RotherFed Board. The idea was welcomed, although it is recognised that intermediate steps to involve young people and build capacity will be needed first.
- ❖ Following a recommendation in 2017-18, improvements were made to the budget consultation process to ensure that public views could be taken into account by OSMB in their scrutiny of the budget proposals for 2019-21.
- ❖ ILSC requested specific information for the 2018 update on CSE Post Abuse Services. Responding to this request and in light of capacity concerns identified through performance monitoring, a service review was undertaken by Children's Commissioning to quantify and understand pressures on the services and come up with long term recommendations for future commissioning.
- ❖ OSMB supported a petition calling for a CCTV camera in the Memorial Garden, Clifton Park to prevent further vandalism and make visitors feel safer, which has been installed.
- ❖ Members have been consulted on the refresh of the South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP) following a recommendation to the Fire and Rescue Authority.
- ❖ Last year OSMB suggested a small scale trial in different types of households (terraced housing, flats, and maisonettes) prior to full implementation of the changes to waste recycling. A trial took place in flats which saw a huge increase in recycling, particularly in places that had not previously had the opportunity to recycle.
- ❖ Following a recommendation from ILSC that lower levels of engagement with health colleagues in Barnardo's Reach Out service should be raised at the Children and Young People and Families Partnership, increased referrals from health and the police have resulted. Another recommendation was to ask the Young Inspectors for ideas to help increase primary school engagement with the Real Love Rocks Train the Trainer offer. Good suggestions were made by the young people and will be considered in the ongoing promotion of the training offer and further awareness raising activity.
- ❖ The refreshed Sexual Health Strategy includes clear actions on communication and information for people with a learning disability following a recommendation from HSC.
- ❖ Two areas of focus after the Equality and Diversity peer review have been EIAs and building knowledge to embed equality protocols and practice. OSMB Members embraced this by participating in a development session on EIAs after emphasising the importance of all nine equality protected characteristics being recognised and the need

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to consider intersectional issues, such as Black and Minority Ethnic older people.

- ❖ OSMB's suggestions about improvements to the Annual Complaints and Compliments Report contributed to the new improved reporting format.
- ❖ Rotherham "Voice of the Child" Lifestyle Survey 2018 - ILSC discussed the design of the survey and recommended that thought be given to streamlining it and to including demographic and equality monitoring information. The Commission will be involved in developing the questions for 2019. They also asked about use of the data by Public Health and partners, and the survey has informed the refreshed Sexual Health Strategy.
- ❖ Following a previous recommendation from HSC, Rotherham Clinical Commissioning Group and RMBC Customer Information and Digital Services are continuing to explore possibilities for joint work to increase digital engagement now the Rotherham App is live, particularly for phase two. The project manager has been discussing groups who download the app and how they utilise it, to inform the next phase.
- ❖ **Scrutiny Review - Drug and Alcohol Treatment and Recovery Services**
Development of a new joint pathway between mental health services and drug and alcohol treatment and recovery services for service users with needs arising from both their mental health and substance misuse resulted from a recommendation by HSC.
- ❖ **Scrutiny Review - Emergency Planning**
More recommendations have now been implemented, including the Corporate Risk Manager acting as a "critical friend" in amendments to the Major Incident Plan. The review group had also recommended running an "out of hours" training exercise and *Exercise Thunderbird* involved a test scenario around a rail crash and included all elements of the Major Incident Plan.
- ❖ **Scrutiny Review - Use of Interims, Agency and Consultancy staff**
This sought assurance that the Council measures performance and value for money in this area and takes appropriate action to maintain spend within acceptable limits. Agreed definitions for all three categories have been adopted Council-wide, together with corresponding revised budget codes. Business case forms and processes have also been updated.
- ❖ **Scrutiny Review: Alternative Management Arrangements for Children's Service**
A performance tracker was developed following this review. This comprises a set of 20 measures selected by ILSC, after working with performance staff, that CYPS report on weekly to the Commission. Current performance, year-to-date and trends are included under three domains of healthy and safe from harm; start school ready to learn for life; and ready for the world of work. It also links to Safeguarding and Early Help reports.
- ❖ **Scrutiny Workshop: Adult and Community Learning**
As a result of a broad recommendation on performance management, quarterly performance reports have been redesigned and clearly include any areas of under-performance and action being taken to address any issues and make improvements.

At Council, Cllr Watson declared: "This was a good report .. and is the sort of thing that Scrutiny should, and does, do - moving policy and performance forward."

- ❖ **Scrutiny Review – Adult Residential and Nursing Care Homes**
Processes for briefing Ward Members have been strengthened. For example, in a recent provider-led closure of a care home Members were advised of the process and procedures to be undertaken and their queries were addressed at a dedicated meeting. This facilitates responding to queries and concerns from residents.

Outcomes from Pre-Decision Scrutiny

OSMB undertakes the majority of this work but also delegates proposals to the Select Commissions to scrutinise where more appropriate. The recommendations proposed in the pre-decision reports considered by Scrutiny in 2018-19 were all supported, bar one proposal that was deferred by Cabinet pending finalisation of the EIA, as recommended by the OSMB. Scrutiny also successfully made additional recommendations to Cabinet regarding a number of policy decisions, as summarised below.

“Cabinet have continued to be appropriately challenged by Scrutiny over the last 12 months, supporting the governance process in ensuring that open and transparent decision making is able to take place.” The Leader, Cllr Reed

- ❖ **Enforcement** - Single code of practice for officers in respect of enforcement activity and issuing penalties (by the Council or an external body on behalf of the Council) in place.
- ❖ **Policy on Immobilisation of Vehicles (Clamping) - Persistent Evaders and Untaxed Vehicles** - Following a recommendation from IPSC that the viability of reducing the number of offences from six to three should be explored, this was subsequently set at four Penalty Charge Notices (PCNs).
- ❖ **Enabling School Improvement** - OSMB recommended that members of the Rotherham Youth Cabinet should be appointed to the new Rotherham Strategic Education Partnership Board to ensure the voice of young people is heard.
- ❖ **The House Project (a co-production approach to finding alternative housing solutions to secure permanent homes for young people on leaving care)** - The Leaving Care Team linked in with the Scrutiny Review of Modern Methods of Construction (see page 11) and Scrutiny Members were given assurance that care leavers with additional needs would be included in the House Project.
- ❖ **Rotherham Local Plan - Adoption of the Sites and Policies Document** - Specific briefings in respect of major planning developments to be delivered to Ward Members on a ward-by-ward basis.
- ❖ **Area Housing Panel Review** - The proposed second report regarding the new organisational and budget arrangements for Area Housing Panels from 2020-21 will be subject to pre-decision scrutiny prior to consideration by Cabinet. The paper will also address governance arrangements and provide clarity on delegated decision making.
- ❖ **Site Cluster Programme Amendments** – The recommendation for the Section 151 Officer to share the learning from this project in respect of the tender and contract agreement process, to ensure that larger scale projects undertaken across the authority are well managed and controlled, was accepted.
- ❖ **Amendments to the Housing Allocation Policy - January 2019** – Amended wording regarding people who are included as having a local connection to Rotherham.
- ❖ **Consultation on the Adoption of Schedule 3 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 and a Rotherham Sex Establishment Licensing Policy** - OSMB fully supported these proposals and Cabinet implemented the recommendations from the Board for wide reaching public consultation to engage as many people as possible, including workers in the industry, in giving their views.

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❖ Community Energy Switching Scheme

OSMB had fully supported a paper seeking agreement for a feasibility study into developing a community energy switching scheme in Rotherham to reduce the number of people paying high tariffs for gas and electricity. Subsequently, a second report detailed the proposed scheme that would be open to all Rotherham residents and sought approval to carry out procurement process to identify a potential partner to develop a scheme.

Scrutiny had previously requested that, subject to the outcome of the study, thought be given to the marketing and promotion of the scheme. This was reflected in the report as it recommended engaging with voluntary and community sector groups, and a range of Council services, to inform the marketing and communication strategy. Cabinet approved additional recommendations from OSMB regarding building customer support and service standards into the tender framework, with performance reported quarterly.

Cllr Cowles, Vice Chair of OSMB: “As opposition members we endeavour to keep the politics out of this vital function and to participate as fully as possible. We ensure that cabinet members and officers are held to account for the decisions that they take while seeking the best outcomes for the people of the borough.”

As mentioned on page 1, OSMB is keen to ensure that governance and monitoring arrangements allow for non-executive Members to be involved in evaluating the impact of changes on customer outcomes and experience. This related in particular to the [Customer Access Strategy](#), [House Project](#), [Enabling School Improvement](#) and the [Learning Disability Strategy “My Front Door”](#).

Follow up reports to either OSMB or the relevant Select Commission have been requested in 2019-20 specifically to monitor the implementation of several new initiatives, strategies or service changes. These include:

- the re-designed [Intermediate Care Service \(HSC\)](#)
- annual review of the [Homelessness and Rough Sleeper Prevention Strategy](#) – reporting specifically on the strategy’s financial sustainability and compliance with Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 (IPSC)
- [New Library Strategy 2020-2025](#) - an OSMB sub-group will scrutinise outcomes of Phase 1 of the consultation prior to the start of work on the final service offer.
- Commissioning and Procurement of a New Delivery Model for [Home Care and Support Services](#) - HSC will monitor implementation of the new contract, with a report back in November 2020 once the contract has been in a place for a year
- [CCTV Priority Capital Investment and Policy](#) – IPSC to review use of cameras
- Implementation of the [Early Help Strategy Phases 2 and 3 \(ILSC\)](#)
- [Rotherham Town Centre Masterplan and Forge Island Development](#) - quarterly updates and exception reports if not on track (OSMB) and flood alleviation (IPSC)

Pre-decision scrutiny of the following items is covered later in the report:

- ❖ ILSC - [Special Educational Needs and Disability \(SEND\) Sufficiency and increase in educational provision - Phase 2](#)
- ❖ IPSC - [Clean Air Zone](#)
- ❖ OSMB - [Early Help Strategy Phase 2 and Phase 3 and Budget 2019-20](#)

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The remit for the OSMB is:

- Leading on pre-decision scrutiny
- Monitoring the Council's budget, medium term financial strategy and achievement of efficiencies
- Designated Crime and Disorder Committee
- Scrutinising the annual budget setting process
- Monitoring and holding to account the performance of service delivery
- Call-in and Councillor Call for Action
- Assigning overview and scrutiny work as appropriate to the Select Commissions

Early Help Strategy 2016-2019: 'Phase Two & Phase Three'

A detailed report summarised consultation activity, feedback on the proposals and an overview of how responses had informed the final proposals. It also covered the approved savings considered by OSMB in December 2017. Members supported the recommendations and added additional ones, taking into account input from ILSC who - additional recommendations were all approved by Cabinet and in summary were for:-

- a progress update on establishing Service Level Agreements with schools for youth service provision and related transfer of assets
- Cabinet to revisit the exit survey and number of assessments completed by partners as performance measures
- an update showing how Early Help is capturing the child/young person's voice
- Ward Members to be consulted on the transfer or disposal of assets, which is happening

Implementing the recommendations from the Scrutiny Review - Use of Interims, Agency and Consultancy Staff

In addition to the outcomes seen on page 7, other recommendations are still being implemented. Further work had been requested to explore options to reduce the requirement for seasonal agency staff and a paper outlined specific progress on reducing agency use across Street Scene Services. A review of the Council's resourcing processes was being undertaken, including options for management of agency engagements and the development of a central 'bank system' for casual or temporary workers. The Board welcomed the progress made but will maintain a focus on agency spending and asked for a report back to include trends, plus a further breakdown on consultancy costs.

Council Plan Performance Monitoring

OSMB regularly discussed current performance and direction of travel against the key delivery outcomes and measures in the Council Plan, including the year-end report for 2017-18. For each report they probed more deeply into the measures where they had concerns and were provided with additional information on remedial actions to address the issues. They also inquired how the creation of a rich and diverse cultural offer and thriving town centre would be measured and were provided with specific examples. Concerns about the 101 system and hate crime were followed up with South Yorkshire Police.

Safer Rotherham Partnership (SRP) Annual Report

A presentation detailed the SRP's priorities and achievements the previous year, including revised processes and stronger engagement. A peer review had provided assurance that the SRP was developing in the right way and identified areas for further development, such as aligning resources and commissioning. It was agreed performance information regarding hate crime would be shared with Members. OSMB recommended that further work be undertaken to establish protocols for sharing local offender management plans, or information supporting such plans, to Ward Members.

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Joint OSMB and IPSC Scrutiny Review: Modern Methods of Construction (MMC)

MMC is a generic term used to cover different types of homes that are manufactured in a factory environment and either fully or partially assembled in the factory, or the component parts are assembled on site. This review focused on the viability of providing low cost housing for young single individuals and young families in one and two bedroom modular accommodation, incorporating suitable technology where possible to reduce running costs.

After extensive evidence gathering and a number of site visits, Cllr Cowles presented the final report and recommendations. Various pertinent issues had emerged such as the general lack of affordable housing for young people and young families, with many local authorities struggling to meet demand for social housing in their area. Homelessness and the implications from recent welfare reform and the introduction of Universal Credit were also factors. In addition, traditional build houses take longer to complete than container or modular build homes. The review formulated a small number of recommendations and the Cabinet response will be reported to Council and OSMB later in 2019.

Scrutiny review: Rothercard Scheme

A sub-group of OSMB is undertaking a review of the current Rothercard Scheme to determine if it is still fit for purpose as it has been running for a number of years. After considering the information provided, including initiatives in other local authorities, officers have been charged with developing a business case for a new sustainable scheme. This should include a range of options linked in with the digital agenda, plus clear eligibility criteria. Members will consider the business case and potential options before making recommendations about the future operation of the scheme.

Impact of Roll Out of Universal Credit in Rotherham (July 2018)

Universal Credit is an integrated working-age benefit providing a basic allowance with additional elements for children, disability, housing and caring. People move onto Universal Credit when they are a new claimant or after a change in their circumstances.

OSMB considered an initial report as a starting point for scrutiny of this issue. What became clear was the balance needed between the Council's function as a landlord, where risk of rent arrears impacts financially on the Housing Revenue Account, and its role in supporting residents. The Housing Income Team had been restructured to help support tenants with financial advice and staff training on assisting tenants with making claims for housing benefit had taken place corporately not only in Housing Services. As it was still quite early in the transition a follow up report would break down issues relating to impact on housing tenants and the broader impact on residents in the borough.

The Board also discussed a potential decline in Council Tax Support applications now this was an additional, discrete process to the Universal Credit application. Members sought assurances about communication of the changes to residents and inquired about actions taken to encourage people who were potentially entitled to Council Tax Support to apply.

Budget and Council Tax 2019-20 and Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS)

Prior to commencing scrutiny of the two-year budget proposals for 2019-21 a small sub-group considered progress in delivering savings agreed in previous years across all directorates. OSMB had also requested a briefing paper to inform its approach to scrutiny of emerging budget proposals for 2019-20 and it was noted that Cabinet had established a set of Service Design Criteria, which were guiding the development of budget options. Members reflected on the financial challenges faced, noting the specific challenges in adult and children's social care services, and queried what proposals would be brought forward and whether re-engineering of business processes was happening. Discussions also focused on potential approaches to assist in reducing unit costs associated with

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children's social care and to move away from building based services. OSMB emphasised the importance of timely submission of proposals for scrutiny and for public consultation.

In-depth scrutiny of the budget proposals from service areas for the period 2019-2021 was carried out over two days in October. Further details on certain options, particularly those for Children and Young People's Services (CYPS), were also explored at length in a subsequent workshop, prior to Board submitting its interim response to the proposals.

A report summarising the methods used and responses to the recent public consultation on the Council budget proposals was presented. Members probed into how the consultation process had been designed, costs in terms of time and money, and whether any difficulties had been encountered in collating information due to the range of methods used. Clarification was sought on how the Council had looked to consult with groups sharing a protected characteristic under the Equality Act 2010. The Board recommended that future budget consultation should ensure these groups are targeted more effectively.

At pre-decision scrutiny Members asked questions regarding delivery of the large scale ICT and technology driven projects across the Council; treasury management; and income generation initiatives. Final assurance was sought that measures to reduce the number of Looked After Children were starting to make a difference and that adult residential and nursing care would continue to be monitored. The Board endorsed the Budget and Financial Strategy for 2019-20 after having regard to the outcomes of public consultation and updated MTFs, which reflected recommendations Scrutiny made earlier in the year.

Children's Commissioner's Takeover Challenge 2019 – Young Carers

OSMB reaffirmed its backing for this initiative by supporting Rotherham Youth Cabinet (RYC) and Rotherham Young Carers in a spotlight session in April. The theme was chosen as it linked in with RYC's manifesto aims - to make sure young carers have the same opportunities as adult carers to access free activities, in their caring role and as a respite from their caring responsibilities. Prior to the meeting RYC had met with Rotherham Young Carers and undertaken research about support available in other areas. After setting the context, young people from both groups led a question and answer session with Members, partners and officers to explore how more opportunities could be created. A report and recommendations, is being drafted at the time of writing.

"It was a very special meeting for me and I was honoured to chair it. To get all the decision makers in one room is when change really happens and as a group we are incredibly fortunate that the scrutiny board helps us make it happen every year." Emilia Ashton, RYC

Financial Outturn 2017-18 and in-year Financial Monitoring

Members noted the outturn position for 2017-18 and expressed concerns about the significant overspends in social care services for children and adults, seeking assurances in respect of work to analyse and reduce spending in these areas. Despite line-by-line analysis of each budget, increased demand was still the main cause of pressure. The forecast overspend for 2018-19 was also discussed, together with actions to address areas of overspend and identify additional savings to mitigate shortfalls in planned savings. OSMB recommended building in adequate time for consultation when planning the implementation of budget savings, to avoid delays in realising savings.

A series of in-year reports set out the current financial position at that time, based on actual costs and income for the financial year to date with forecasts for the remainder of the year. The main area of overspending continued to be in CYPS as a result of demand for services outstripping budget capacity, which also impacted on the budget for Legal Services. Pressures were reported in Regeneration and Environment Services to deliver

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their agreed savings and Members sought clarification on alternative strategies should income targets not be achieved. Issues with regard to vacancy management were explored in terms of any potential impact on service delivery, and on other employees, of not filling vacant posts to achieve savings. The Board will consider a report on the new HR and Payroll System once implemented in phases from June 2019 which will rationalise information on the staffing establishment as at present data is held in HR and Finance.

Adult Social Care Financial and Performance

A workshop took place in July 2018 to update Members on the current position, issues and challenges in Adult Care to set the context to inform their future scrutiny. Following this session OSMB has scrutinised quarterly updates summarising developments and progress in relation to the improvement plan and budget position. The main points to emerge were:

- Scrutiny of the plan developed by the Principal Social Worker enabled Members to have a good appreciation of activity taking place with staff to embed the strengths based approach, improve quality and practice standards, and enhance legal literacy.
- OSMB sought assurance that the overspend would continue to fall and were assured that although still a challenge, the level had decreased month on month since September 2017.
- Responding to concerns around pace and meeting targets, a specific activity report would be produced to provide reassurance to Members.
- The importance of clear dates, actions and milestones in plans to facilitate monitoring and to inform the Scrutiny work programme in 2019-20.

Children's Services Financial Monitoring and Review

Given the budget challenges in the service, OSMB receives comprehensive quarterly updates on the current budget position and pressures; in-year mitigations; future plans and progress on the sustainability plan and initiatives to manage demand. The Board asked probing questions and sought assurances around the budget position; achieving the savings; and reducing the overspend; without this having a negative impact on the quality of services provided for children and young people. Significant savings are linked to reducing demand and OSMB were informed that signs of the expected improvements from the initiatives put in place were appearing. Members requested more information on the number of out of borough placements and greater clarity on timescales and milestones for addressing in-year budget pressures. They also asked that future reports include more detail on transformation projects to provide greater assurance.

OSMB scrutinised a separate paper summarising the increased number of Education, Health and Care Plans; growth in demand for specialist provision; and current financial position of the High Needs Block of the Dedicated Schools Grant. The High Needs Block Recovery Plan aimed to bring in-year expenditure in line with the annual budget allocation and to focus on a longer term plan which would contribute to reducing the cumulative deficit. The option to implement a recovery plan to enable future budget sustainability was supported by OSMB who would look at this again as part of the monitoring cycle.

Public Spaces Protection Orders (PSPO)

As requested by OSMB, a 12 month review post implementation of the PSPO for the Town Centre was undertaken to assess its impact and consider any variations or new orders. As previously agreed, potential inclusion of a condition relating to nuisance vehicles had been reviewed. However, with only limited incidents the previous year, it was agreed that no further action was needed at that stage, although incident monitoring would continue. Members also discussed the proposed PSPO for Fitzwilliam Road, Rotherham and focused on resourcing, consultation and avoiding displacement to other areas.

Health Select Commission

The remit is to carry out overview and scrutiny as directed by the OSMB in relation to:

- being the Council's designated scrutiny body for health issues relating to health or public health
- partnerships and commissioning arrangements for health and well-being and their governance
- scrutinising the integration of health and social care services and budgets
- health improvements and the promotion of wellbeing for adults and children of Rotherham
- measures to address health inequality
- food law and environmental health
- issues referred from Healthwatch

Response to Scrutiny Review - Drug and Alcohol Treatment and Recovery Services

The spotlight review sought to ensure that the service, which is operating within a reduced budget, would provide a quality, safe service under the new contract from April 2018. Eight recommendations had resulted, with a focus on performance management, being proactive on safety, care pathways, and risk minimisation. All were accepted by Cabinet and HSC discussed the actions being implemented under each and the progress made.

One of the recommendations was for Public Health and CGL to present an overview of how the new service was developing after six months, including a summary of progress on the key performance indicators. Members scrutinised a comprehensive performance scorecard for treatment and recovery services, including exception reports and analysis of trends. They were assured by the performance and contract management arrangements. CGL articulated their methods to increase opiate use service exits, which is a corporate priority, including using different clinical approaches with service users, with safety paramount. Other areas explored by the Commission included waiting times; service user voice; use of new psychoactive substances; mental capacity; and if risk assessments would identify any issues regarding domestic abuse.

Five Members returned to Carnson House to view the new treatment facilities and discuss the services offered to help people recover from substance misuse. They asked questions about service user involvement and were provided with "you said, we did" examples. Recognising the challenges of long term methadone use, Members explored how service users were responding to new approaches. Assurance was provided on how the service was involved in partnership safeguarding arrangements and linked with local pharmacies.

Social Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) Strategy

In October 2017 Members considered information presented by Rotherham schools regarding their response to children and young people with SEMH needs and requested a further report in 2018. A new strategy is under development which will underpin a multi-agency approach to ensure children's needs are met effectively and as early as possible. HSC were assured this would be based on a thorough understanding of levels of need across the system, matched with agreed pathways that were clear, well communicated and properly resourced.

HSC explored a number of issues including capacity across the system, especially in Pupil Referral Units, therapeutic responses and partnership working. They recommended that consideration should be given to the provision and support for young lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGB&T) people, as young people had reported difficulties in accessing services. Members also recommended having a lead case worker for families as a dedicated single point of contact, after communication with families had been raised as an issue in some cases. check

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Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)

HSC discussed positive progress on the delivery of specialist CAMHS within Rotherham and the ongoing review of the Local CAMHS Transformation Plan. They also considered information on key themes identified from previous scrutiny work including workforce development, waiting times, the impact of locality working, closer integration with Early Help and transition from CAMHS. As with SEMH, Members asked about support for LGB&T young people, given the long waiting times for specialist clinics such as Tavistock. Attention was also drawn to differences between mental health and neuro-developmental conditions, although both come under CAMHS. Further work is underway on the autism spectrum pathway, which was still a concern, and HSC will scrutinise this in 2019-20.

Rotherham Care Group, Rotherham, Doncaster and South Humber NHS Trust (RDaSH) - Estates Strategy

RDaSH presented the emerging proposals to rationalise their estate from six buildings to four after consultation with stakeholders on two preferred options. This work links into the wider place-based plans. The aim is to improve access, including having a town centre facility in Rotherham, and to have integrated mental health and learning disability services for all age adults. Members explored issues around staffing and capacity for mental health services and the financial challenges and will keep developments on their agenda.

Response to Spotlight Review: Adult Residential and Nursing Care Homes

The purpose of the workshop was to consider progress in bringing about improvements to safety, quality and effectiveness in the sector. It was also an opportunity to explore the impact of the Care Home Support Service. Four recommendations resulted that were all accepted and actions are being implemented as part of the on-going service requirements.

Briefing Ward Members on issues relating to a care home in their ward has become more formalised, as seen earlier in the report. HSC were keen for all care homes to be encouraged to work with the Care Home Support Service and Clinical Quality Advisor (CQA) to raise standards, particularly through participation in training. Providers are being actively encouraged to embrace the offer and any reluctance to engage informs soft intelligence to feed into the provider risk matrix. Members also recommended that care home staff be encouraged to attend organised training sessions and that the take up and the impact of training be monitored. Training schedules of the staff working in care homes are monitored by Contract Compliance Officers. Care Home managers are asked to provide their training matrix for verification, which includes both mandatory and additional specialist training. Training that is due/overdue is also monitored.

Rotherham Integrated Care Partnership and Implementation of the Rotherham Integrated Health and Social Care Place Plan

Scrutiny of integrated working between health and social care is central to the HSC work programme. A short presentation outlined the priorities in the refreshed plan, governance, key achievements, new ways of working in localities and next steps. Discussion then ensued on the performance report for quarter one, with Members probing into a range of issues and verifying the rigour of the performance data. A particular focus was on mental health crisis services and suicide prevention work. Current workforce challenges and maternity services were also explored.

Subsequently HSC considered the scorecard for quarter two and saw positive progress on a number of the indicators since the previous report. Members will receive the future quarterly performance reports for information and with a number of the key workstreams included within HSC's work programme, any concerns arising from performance data will be explored at that time. They identified points for clarification or questions regarding a small number of the milestones/measures which were forwarded to officers for a response.

Evaluation of Health Village Pilot and Implementation of Integrated Locality Model

A small cross-party group discussed the key findings and challenges from the final evaluation in a workshop session. The aim was to feed into the discussions about wider implementation, across localities with differing demographic profiles and health needs. HSC emphasised the need for effective liaison and communication with carers as this seemed to be a gap in the evaluation/next steps. They also focused on the need for qualitative feedback to supplement the quantitative measures so that patient experience on the difference the new model has made is captured and reported.

A further update provided an overview of progress towards more integrated working overall and more specific detail about the emerging model for locality working. Capacity and recruitment challenges emerged as key concerns in being able to deliver the new models. Members re-emphasised the need for qualitative information and asked for clarification on the timescales for implementation of the locality model.

Adult Care Single Point of Access, Care Coordination Centre and Health Village

Following the updates to HSC, a cross-party group of seven Members visited these service access points. They met with managers and staff at all three sites who were enthusiastic about the benefits of working more closely with colleagues from other partners and teams. Clearer understanding of other roles, better communications and information sharing were cited as positive benefits, contributing to delivery of more holistic care.

Adult Care

Although OSMB led on scrutiny of Adult Care, HSC also discussed progress on implementation of the Carers Strategy (which includes young carers) and the learning disability strategy “My Front Door”. The performance sub-group scrutinised year end performance on the national Adult Social Care Outcomes Framework, including benchmarking with other local authorities. A thematic review using Red-Amber-Green ratings under the headings of prevention and delay; independence; personalisation; and perception and experience, linked in the relevant ASCOF measures. The key area that emerged for a more in-depth piece of work was reablement and this was followed up by an update on development of the Intermediate Care and Reablement Outline Business Case.

South Yorkshire, Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire and Wakefield Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (SYDNoW JHOSC)

During 2018-19 Cllr Evans represented RMBC on the JHOSC, which scrutinises proposals and workstreams for NHS service reconfiguration that impact on more than one local authority. The committee considered updates on implementation of changes to hyper acute stroke services and to out of hours children’s surgery and anaesthesia. Members also discussed the South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw Integrated Care System (SY&B ICS) and development of the SY&B response to the NHS long-term plan. They recommended further work on myth busting around the ICS and how it worked so it was clearer for the public. Further information was sought on plans for communication and engagement on the response to the NHS long term plan, to be followed by details of the engagement undertaken and emergent themes.

Following the Hospital Services Review, the focus is on transformation, both in terms of the workforce such as changing job roles, and by moving activity from hospitals to primary/community care where appropriate. Co-operation between hospitals will also be more formalised through hosted networks for five specialties. Options will be developed for maternity, paediatrics and gastroenterology services. Members again stressed the importance of public engagement and improving communications. Assurance was sought on addressing health inequalities and variations in performance and that plans would be delivered within timescales and resources.

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“The Health and Wellbeing of the Working Age Population” - Director of Public Health Annual Report and Making Every Contact Count (MECC)

This report was the third in a series that worked through the life course, focusing on key health issues at different stages of our lives. It highlighted successes in Rotherham, but also the challenges faced as a community. Members discussed the report and the MECC initiative “Healthy Chats” at length. They probed into specific concerns including the decline in women’s healthy life expectancy; impact of domestic abuse and other Adverse Childhood Events; use of e-cigarettes; substance misuse; treatment and recovery from cancer; sexual health and work in deprived areas. Follow up information was provided on several areas and HSC agreed to scrutinise the refreshed Sexual Health Strategy in 2019.

Scrutiny Workshop: Transition from Children’s to Adult Services (Joint with ILSC)

The purpose of the workshop was to seek assurance that young people and their families/carers would have a positive transition through clear pathways and a strength based approach that sought to maximise independence and inclusion. The review group therefore explored a number of issues in depth to ensure that:

- There is a clear understanding of the cohorts of young people likely to transition to adult services in the next few years, with strategies, plans and budgets aligned accordingly.
- The new pathway, based on the Preparing for Adulthood model (PfA), will lead to demonstrable better outcomes for young people.
- Services are able to evidence how young people and their families/carers have voice and influence in transition and support planning.
- Services have a shared approach to assessment and strength based practice.

Members welcomed the closer working between the two services, and also with partners including health and the Rotherham Parent Carers Forum, to deliver PfA under the key principles identified. They acknowledged the benefits of PfA starting early in a child’s life, not just in the teenage years, for developing skills and confidence. There was recognition that this work is still at a relatively early stage but the sub-group felt positive and reassured by what is developing. Potential follow up actions emerged for the Scrutiny work programme and a small number of recommendations will go forward for consideration.

Rotherham Hospital CQC Re-inspection

A powerpoint presentation provided HSC with a comprehensive overview of the key findings and ratings from the re-inspection in 2018. The Trust was still rated as “requires improvement” overall and it was positive to see improvement in Children’s to “good” and in the responsive domain to “good”. Balanced against this was the “inadequate” rating for Urgent & Emergency Care (UEC) with many of the concerns in relation to paediatric A&E.

Further detail was provided in relation to the principal challenges and ongoing issues identified and actions taken since the CQC visit to address these. Member questioning was extensive and although the responses provided some reassurance, HSC resolved to have a future progress update in line with the timescale for completion of the UEC actions.

Developing General Practice in Rotherham

This longstanding topic in the HSC work programme originated from the Scrutiny Review: Access to GPs and reflects the important role of GPs and their wider workforce in health care and the new models being developed. HSC considered a presentation giving an overview of the current offer and take up of appointments, including in the weekend hubs. Outcomes from the national GP patient survey and innovations such as the Rotherham App were also discussed. Significant changes to General Practice will result following new national guidance and an update on what this will mean for patients in Rotherham will be provided for HSC.

Improving Lives Select Commission

The remit is to carry out overview and scrutiny as directed by the OSMB in relation to:

- the Every Child Matters agenda (for every child to be safe, healthy, enjoy and achieve; make a positive contribution and achieve economic well-being)
- the early intervention and prevention agendas
- the implementation of Rotherham's plans to tackle Child Sexual Exploitation
- other cross-cutting services provided specifically for children and young people

Much of the work of ILSC in 2018-19 has featured scrutiny of progress on key plans and strategies, drilling down into specific areas where more information was required to provide Members with the requisite assurance about services. *Cllr Cusworth affirmed:*

"Sometimes scrutiny work can span a number of years and this has been the case with the Domestic Abuse Strategy. Starting in 2016 with no real strategy in place, ILSC has held the Lead Member and officers to account. The strategy is now almost in a place where ILSC know they have made a real difference. We now have confidence in the strategy and can let go of this and focus attention on other areas where improvements can be made."

Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) - Sufficiency and Increase in Educational Provision - Phase 2

After setting the context for Rotherham, a detailed overview was presented of the key themes in the SEND strategy, what is working well and areas for development. Current actions and timescales were also included. ILSC noted the progress made with the SEND and Inclusion agenda and agreed to have periodic updates over the next three years to ensure the continuation of the direction of travel and pace of developments given the change in two key leadership posts. Further information was requested regarding the High Needs budget monitoring group once set up and the regional evaluation when available.

Later in the year Members went on to discuss a detailed report regarding publication of the refreshed Special Education Needs Strategy (2019) as part of the Borough's Local Offer for children and young people with SEND. Approval was also being sought to commence consultation with schools and settings regarding the additional capacity required and to seek proposals to increase educational SEND provision across the Borough. Post-consultation a further report would come forward with recommended proposals for implementation and the associated allocation of capital investment to support delivery.

ILSC supported the recommendations to Cabinet but questioned the inclusion of the no-change option to retain SEND sufficiency at current levels as a viable option. The Commission also suggested further discussion was required on possible work with partners to look at the high prevalence within Rotherham of autism. Cllr Cusworth fed back to OSMB about the outcomes of this scrutiny and the proposals were endorsed.

Outcomes from the Workshop Session - Complex Abuse Investigation

Cllr Clark presented a briefing on the outcomes and recommendations from a workshop session. The purpose had been to seek assurance and further understanding of the extent to which agencies were working together effectively to address complex abuse.

Several key issues were explored including: when complex abuse procedures were used; which agencies were involved and at what level; impact of the investigations on referrals to social care; engagement with Early Help; and how the voice of the child is captured in investigations. After questioning officers and partners, Members were assured that the Council and its partners were working effectively within the prescribed policy for complex abuse investigations. A small number of recommendations went forward for consideration by Cabinet and partners and the response will be reported later in 2019.

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Children Missing from Education (CME) and Children Home Educated (CHE)

CME refers to children of compulsory school age who are not on a school roll, and who are not receiving a suitable alternative education. ILSC have closely scrutinised CME, with in-depth analysis of data on new, active and closed cases currently and in comparison with previous periods. Outcome data is captured and the scorecard records a breakdown by year group and main presenting need or issue, plus demographic and locality information.

Evidence suggested recurrence was largely due to families being transient and then returning to Rotherham intermittently rather than concerns about vulnerability and/or safeguarding issues. Reassurance was provided that the whole family was looked at, not only the child missing from education. Assertive outreach and work to educate families about the detrimental impact of removing children from school was taking place. The service was also confident that agencies were soon notified if any new families moved into the area, through the work in the community. Links with Selective Licensing, safeguarding, and work under the auspices of the Controlling Migration Fund were explored.

Members also asked questions with regard to Elective Home Education, including local authority powers and the checks carried out following an application. A multi-agency governance group is in place and an escalation process had been established if children had not been seen. IPSC made a recommendation for future six monthly reports to include the Strategic Missing Group and the wider context of CME, plus detail on persistent absence, Fixed Term Exclusions and Elective Home Education. A further recommendation around including CME and CHE in the weekly tracker has been implemented. ILSC also recommended that consideration be given to the appropriate arena for evaluation of the Controlling Migration Fund, and a paper will go to OSMB.

Demand Management and Placement Sufficiency - Looked After Children

Numbers of looked after children have increased significantly and Members scrutinised a report setting out current strategies to manage demand and financial pressure, including some assessment of their impact, and also future plans. Members sought clarification on various processes in relation to children entering and leaving care. They inquired about the marketing strategy for foster carers, especially for respite foster carers and Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic foster carers and heard about positive work to develop the Muslim foster care project. ILSC also explored foster carer resignations and what support was available. Improvements were being seen but there were still issues to probe into more deeply. Another update ensued on the refresh of the Looked After Children Sufficiency Strategy and a sub-group will look at the emergent options in detail.

Looking more broadly at support for looked after children, ILSC considered an update on the Improvement Partner Peer Review of the Looked After Children Service. This prompted a workshop on legal aspects around children's social care to provide a greater understanding of the process and challenges, areas of good performance and ones that needed to improve. As a result, Members recommended further data analysis on re-referrals. A report on practice implications from the Children and Social Work Act 2017 was considered separately and the Corporate Parenting Panel will keep this under review.

Update on development of the South Yorkshire Regional Adoption Agency

Following the rejection of the original business case developed by Doncaster Children's Services Trust (DCST), an additional sum of money was allocated by the Department for Education to underwrite the further costs of rewriting the business case. RMBC will remain fully engaged in the development of the model to ensure it meets the essential criteria desired for Rotherham. Members noted the expectation that the revised business case would be completed by April 2019 and then undergo necessary ratification. Democratic accountability should also be a consideration.

Domestic Abuse

Domestic abuse has been a core workstream for several years with ILSC considering regular progress reports, suggesting improvements and influencing policy development in this area. At the first 2018-19 update, Members noted the key achievements and probed into areas they had raised previously, such as the perpetrator programme and capturing the voice of the victim and of the child. Concerns were raised about online abuse, such as stalking and harassment, and how this is reported, how the risk is assessed and the potential for escalation. Clarification was also sought about risk thresholds across services, particularly when children were present, and ensuring these were consistent.

A second update covered service user engagement, the current Domestic Abuse Service review, and progress on the Domestic Abuse Strategy. Details of audit activity to support continuous improvement within Domestic Abuse services was also presented, as previously requested. Members had also asked for information on work taking place on stalking and harassment and probed into this theme. Gaps in Domestic Abuse - Stalking and Harassment, and how it supported victims of stalking and harassment effectively, were acknowledged and were being looked at. Figures did not distinguish in terms of stalking and harassment data and if it was linked to domestic abuse or stranger-related. ILSC commented on the good progress made in the last 18 months and agreed to consider a further report in respect of the principles for the Domestic Abuse Service, prior to submission to Cabinet. A follow up report on addressing the gap in service related to stalking and harassment was requested as this remained a concern.

Performance

ILSC has a strong focus on performance in both CYPS and education. As mentioned on page 7 the weekly tracker is in place and a performance sub-group meets quarterly. The Commission has kept up-to-date in relation to progress on recommendations from the Ofsted inspection and the outcome of the Ofsted Focused Visit. Work last year included:

- Children & Young People's Services (CYPS) 2017-2018 Year End Performance

A summary of performance under key themes was supplemented by performance data reports that provided trend data, graphical analysis and benchmarking data against national and statistical neighbour averages. The report outlined areas of good or improved performance and areas for improvement, broken down between Early Help and Family Engagement; Education and Skills; and Children's Social Care services. Members asked questions on a number of issues including demand for services and caseloads. They focused in particular on Looked After Children, including eligibility for personal education plans and Right Child Right Care plans and noted increased placement stability.

- CYPS Performance Sub-group - Safeguarding and Early Help Services

In relation to safeguarding, Members explored contacts progressing to referrals; numbers in care and leaving care; family contact; concerns about health and dental assessments; and care leavers in employment, education or training. For Early Help, questions centred on sources of referrals; quality of assessments; step-up/step-down provision; differentials in team performance, and pathways for children missing from home. Future reports were requested on dental assessments and on apprenticeships for Looked After Children.

- Provisional Education Performance Outcomes - year ending summer 2018

An overview of the un-validated educational outcomes of children and young people in Rotherham was presented. Members probed various issues including plans to address under-attainment of Gypsy, Roma and Traveller Pupils; plans for other disadvantaged cohorts; partnership working with Multi-Academy Trusts (MAT); how University Campus Rotherham (UCR) would link to the Skills Plan and the education sector as a whole; and actions to boost performance of more able students. Follow up work is planned in 2019.

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Response to Scrutiny Workshop: Adult and Community Learning

The purpose of the workshop was to seek assurance that issues raised in the Ofsted inspection of Adult and Community Learning in 2017 had been addressed and wider learning arising from this applied. As a result of the recommendations, improvements have been made to processes arising from areas of concern raised in external inspections or reviews, and to how performance management information is shared, acted upon and reported to Members. Delivery of Adult Community Learning was transferred to Rotherham and North Notts College and work has taken place with them regarding their input to the Employment and Skills Plan and how adult learning contributes to skills development.

Rotherham Pause Practice Update

Pause is a voluntary programme working with women who have had, or are at risk of, repeated pregnancies that result in children needing to be removed from their care. It keeps the women at the centre and enables them to address a number of complex and intersecting needs, as Pause works with other services such as Housing and Health. After considering the outcomes of a scoping exercise for Rotherham last year, ILSC had supported initiating the Pause Project in Rotherham and it commenced in July 2018.

The positive impact for the women on the caseload was noted and ILSC asked about support for other women who met the criteria but were not part of the cohort. Discussion also took place on future sustainability and funding. ILSC requested further information on partner contributions and longitudinal impact. They also recommended looking at whether the women who had completed the project could progress to the support of Housing First.

Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) Post Abuse Services Update

Members considered a report with the key findings of the CSE review referred to on page 6, responses to information previously requested and the longer term recommendations for commissioning post abuse services. This includes taking a whole system approach with partners for commissioning support services to avoid duplication, maximise resources and improve service user experience. A needs analysis would be undertaken to inform future commissioning and external funding bids. Contracts for the services had been extended to 30th September 2019 to allow for commissioning a different service offer following the findings of the needs analysis and system mapping. ILSC agreed to have a further update outlining the impact of the remedial actions and progress made on the proposed joint commissioning, with health partners asked to attend. Clarification was sought on actions to fill the gaps for post-trial support, bearing in mind funding limitations.

Barnardo's ReachOut Service and Barnardo's ReachOut Final Evaluation Report

This service strives to support and protect children and young people in Rotherham who are at risk of CSE, through preventative education, targeted outreach and direct support to individuals and their families. ReachOut has been delivered in most of Rotherham's primary and secondary schools. To make the project more sustainable school staff have taken part in a Train the Trainer programme so schools are able to deliver the programme.

After scrutiny of the service last year, Members discussed two updates and the evaluation report of the service which was very positive, with the good feedback from CYPS and other agencies welcomed. ILSC explored various issues with a focus on engaging more schools; publicity; referrals from health partners, and sharing information. Page 6 shows recommendations that have progressed and ILSC recommended further work with schools that had not engaged, on the reasons why and how engagement could be improved. Given the wider remit of the service, another progress update will be presented in 2020.

Scrutiny Workshop: Transition from Children's to Adult Services – See HSC
Early Help Strategy 2016-2019 Phase Two and Phase Three - See OSMB

Improving Places Select Commission

The remit is to carry out overview and scrutiny as directed by the OSMB relation to:

- Housing and Neighbourhood strategies
- Economic development and regeneration strategies
- Environment and sustainable development strategies
- Community cohesion and social inclusion
- Tourism, culture and leisure

Refuse and Recycling Collections Service Changes

Following their previous scrutiny of the communications and engagement strategy for the planned service changes, IPSC heard an update on the implementation of the new waste and recycling services across Rotherham. Since October 2018, residents had experienced big changes in terms of their bin collections, with the introduction of the new garden waste collection and black bins (pink lid) service. Initial figures on recycling rates were positive and the number of complaints received lower than expected, with the ones upheld mostly around a missed bin collection. One of the biggest challenges for recycling was for flats, maisonettes and housing complexes: chutes and security of some of the community collection sites and how to protect them. Joint work with Housing was taking place; incorporating lessons learned from the trial in flats mentioned earlier.

Members asked questions regarding levels of contamination of waste and how this was monitored and about regulations covering burning waste. They also explored ongoing engagement and communication, especially in areas with lower recycling rates, and ways to assist customers who require additional support, such as people with visual impairments or with dementia. They noted the update and intend to visit the Manvers Waste Centre.

Dignity Funerals Ltd. and RMBC Contract

As part of their continuing scrutiny of bereavement services, Members have undertaken a series of planned visits to Rotherham Crematorium to see the recent work to improve the facilities. The Commission also considered the Annual Report from Dignity at its meeting in July 2018, which included performance indicators for agreed service improvements and for requirements on both availability and performance. Prior to this formal scrutiny there had been discussion between the Council and members of the local Asian community regarding arrangements for Muslim burials. The key issues raised were times during the day when burials take place, costs and a general lack of satisfaction. A suggestion that emerged was to form an all faith group to consider any issues for people of other faiths.

IPSC noted the Annual Report and good progress on establishing new contract management arrangements following the transfer of this function to Registration Services. Members were supportive of proposals to set up a joint RMBC/Dignity Project Liaison Group, to facilitate discussions with the community and faith groups about bereavement, burial and cremation issues, which linked well to the feedback from the community.

During the year Members considered a further update on performance on the service improvement targets and KPIs. Their previous recommendation about the format of future performance reports had been put in place. Indicators and targets were now Red-Amber-Green (RAG) rated and had also been rated high, medium or low according to priority. 75% of service improvement targets and 89% of KPIs were rated green and IPSC welcomed the on-site improvements and wider liaison.

After discussing the extended hours pilot at length, IPSC requested a report on the outcomes. Points raised at the meeting to feed in were monitoring the impact of the pilot on local traffic and effective communication with all parishes and parts of the borough.

Update on Rotherham's Cultural Strategy Development

In July 2018 positive progress was reported on developing the new strategy, which will be the overarching document that sets the direction for culture, sport and tourism across the Borough. Spatial priorities had been identified and wide-ranging consultation was planned with the public, partner organisations and other stakeholders. IPSC questioned officers about the consultation and how they would ensure it would be effective, include all wards in the Borough and involve “hard-to-reach” groups. They also asked about consultation with children and young people and links to schools and colleges. Three Members agreed to keep a watching brief as the strategy developed.

Draft Skills and Employment Plan

With the increasing importance of skills in attracting investment and growing local businesses, as well as ensuring local residents can access employment opportunities, it was agreed by Rotherham Together Partnership that Rotherham required a standalone Employment and Skills Plan. The plan will build on the existing Rotherham Economic Growth Plan (2015-25) and also seek to complement the Sheffield City Region's Strategic Economic Plan and its Thematic Priority on Skills, Employment and Education.

Key lines of enquiry probed into the following areas:

- Preparing young people for the world of work including performance on the Gatsby Benchmarks
- Transport accessibility and connectivity across the region and the “Wheels to Work” scheme
- Funding allocations across the City Region and expected benefits for the local economy
- Qualifications of both older workers and young people
- Absence of some targets within the plan
- Reductions in the workforce in some sectors and plans to help affected employees
- Opportunities to achieve Level Four qualifications and the advantages of a university campus
- Apprentices securing permanent employment with the same employer
- Ill health and social exclusion

It was agreed comments made on the draft plan by IPSC would be considered for inclusion in the final version to Cabinet. Members requested further information on a range of issues and a future progress update.

Submission of Clean Air Zone Outline Business Case to the Joint Air Quality Unit

Rotherham and Sheffield have been mandated by DEFRA to improve air quality by reducing NO₂ emissions. The two Councils were required to submit an Outline Business Case to Government by the end of 2018, demonstrating how they will reduce emissions in the shortest possible timescale. It was noted that the Parkway crossed the border into Rotherham, so the Council was mandated to take action where identified in the report.

IPSC scrutinised the proposals at length, making recommendations that were endorsed by OSMB as part of pre-decision scrutiny. Members were in support of the recommendations proposed, but recommended that the fleet of vehicles used by RMBC be reviewed to make sure it met the required regulations and that the final business case should clearly show the points arising from consultation. Although there were no regulations specifically for Council vehicles, Cabinet took on board the need to look at air quality and contributions in terms of vehicles. The Clean Air Zone has remained on the work programme and IPSC discussed the outline consultation plan in a subsequent workshop. Another issue raised was the potential impact of the Clean Air Zone on traffic flows in neighbouring areas.

Thriving Neighbourhoods

Consideration was given to a report which detailed the production of a new neighbourhood strategy, with wards as the building blocks to enable partners and communities to work together to improve local outcomes. The Annual Report 2017-18 summarised the first year of delivery of the new model of neighbourhood working and lessons learned, in addition to making recommendations for future delivery of the model. The new draft Thriving Neighbourhoods: The Rotherham Neighbourhood Strategy 2018-2025 was noted. IPSC recommended that the required training for Members and officers in relation to the working of Thriving Neighbourhoods should be undertaken as soon as possible. Members requested a report in six months regarding devolved budgets and the governance framework (including monitoring progress on Ward Plans and evaluation of them).

Housing Strategy Refresh 2019-2022

Following earlier discussion of a presentation outlining achievements under the present strategy and the proposed vision, key priorities and pipeline projects for the refresh, it had been agreed that the draft revised strategy would come back to IPSC prior to Cabinet. A varied range of issues were explored including the annual target for new build properties; impact of right to buy; distribution of new Council stock across the borough; potential increase in housing needs as the university develops; and the need to promote town centre living to link in with wider regeneration strategy. Members also queried if an element of sustainable transport was included within the strategy.

Clarification was sought on how officers were working with developers to increase the number of properties built and provision of specialist properties for people with specific needs, which should be located so as to encourage mixed communities. Questions were also asked regarding the options for military veterans in the area and how the strategy would impact on them. Linking to the recent scrutiny review, modern methods of construction were also discussed as an alternative to traditional build properties.

IPSC recommended that a detailed action plan is produced to enable monitoring of progress on the strategy. They also requested a copy of the Equality Impact Assessment for the Housing Strategy and asked to see the six monthly progress reports presented to the Strategic Housing Forum, which has responsibility for holding the service to account.

Resulting from scrutiny of the refresh of the Housing Strategy IPSC also considered a report on Section 106 Agreements (S106) and implementation of the Rotherham Community Infrastructure Levy. It informed Members on the monies received from S106 and potential CIL income generated by demand notices issued up to 31 January 2019.

Homelessness Prevention and Rough Sleeper Strategy 2019-22

Officers gave a detailed presentation covering the legislative changes and duties for the Council underpinning the new strategy, which was under development. Achievements under the current strategy were highlighted, together with an overview of the proposed priorities for the new strategy. IPSC inquired about funding streams and support for people who had experienced domestic abuse and those with mental health needs. The work of the Rough Sleeper Team and Tenancy Support Team, including joint working with other partners and outreach was also explored in detail.

Home to School Transport Policy

IPSC noted the progress made on implementing the new Home to School Transport Policy, which had been approved in April 2018. Copies of the policy, the Parent and Carers Brochure and the new Assessment Matrix: Special Educational Needs and Disabilities for home to school transport were provided for the Commission.

Overview and Scrutiny in Rotherham

Clarity was sought on information used in the assessment matrix and about the appeals process. Questions also focused on progress with independent travel training and Members were informed that work was under way with schools to determine levels of need and capacity to deliver. Special Schools were keen to train their staff to deliver the training for their students.

Two recommendations resulted from the discussions and a further update on implementation was requested in 2019:

- to consider looking into the use of contactless cards on buses to support independent travel by young people who might have less visible support needs, such as autism
- to reconsider the appeals process for the renewal of a home to school bus pass in cases where a family's circumstances had not changed from the previous year

Asset Management Progress Update

The Corporate Asset Management Plan 2017-2025, which incorporates the Council's Asset Management Policy and Strategy, is the guiding document for Asset Management activities and priorities. Progress against the plan is monitored by the Asset Management Board and the position as at November 2018 was reported to Members, who queried the "green" rating status attributed to measures classed as on hold. It was agreed changes would be made to these for future reporting. The Commission had previously requested more information about property reviews and a draft flowchart outlining the Surplus Property process was discussed and supported by IPSC.

A number of issues were explored with more detail and/or clarification provided, including:

- Consistent management of former school caretakers' bungalows as isolated properties
- Management and acquisition of commercial real estate
- Development of cost effective energy services
- Review of efficiency on Worksmart
- Decision making of the Asset Management Board and how this worked in practice
- Strategic acquisitions of spare unused land
- Redevelopment of other town centres

IPSC noted progress on the plan and the ongoing work on records storage and reporting of statutory compliance. An update on Worksmart was requested when it was relaunched.

Rother Valley Country Park Caravan Park

The Commission noted that construction of a new camping and caravan site at the park was on track and scheduled for completion and handover in March 2019, in line with the original project programme. The Commission explored a number of issues and asked for more details regarding provision to charge up electric vehicles. Follow up reports were requested to cover the procurement of the booking system and then the first six months of being operational, including any impact on residents in the area. Several Members also visited the site in November.

In April Cllr Mallinder reported that the Caravan Park had recently opened and the Camp Management Booking System was now in operation. This had been "road tested" and found to be customer friendly and easy to navigate. A full report would be submitted in autumn 2019 on bookings and the effects of traffic on nearby properties. Members queried why there were only three pitches for motor homes when these were growing in popularity. They asked for the follow up report to include customer reviews/experience of the site and whether any potential customers had been lost due to unavailability of an appropriate pitch for their needs.

Scrutiny Membership 2019-20

Overview and Scrutiny Management Board

Meetings are held fortnightly at 11.00am on Wednesdays

Cllr Cusworth

TBC

Cllr Jarvis

Cllr Taylor

Cllr Keenan

Cllr Tweed

Cllr Mallinder

Cllr Walsh

Cllr Napper

Cllr Wyatt



Chair: Cllr Brian Steele

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Vice-Chair: Cllr Allen Cowles

The commission meets (usually) at 2:00pm on Thursdays every six weeks.



Cllr Albiston

Cllr R Elliott

Cllr Vjestica

Cllr Andrews

Cllr Ellis

Cllr Walsh

Cllr Bird

Cllr Evans

Cllr Williams

Cllr Brookes

Cllr Jarvis

Cllr Wilson

Cllr Cooksey

Cllr John Turner

Cllr Yasseen

Chair:

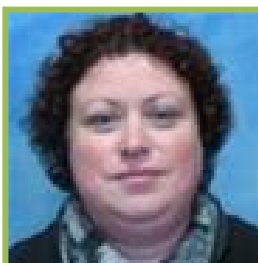
Cllr Eve Keenan

Vice-Chair: TBC

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Improving Lives

The commission meets (usually) at 5:30pm on Tuesdays every six weeks.



Cllr Atkin

Cllr Fenwick-Green

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Cllr Hague

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Cllr Clark

Cllr Khan

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Cllr Elliot

Cllr Marles

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Improving Places

The commission meets (usually) at 1:30pm on Thursdays every six weeks.



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Cllr Khan

Cllr Sheppard

Cllr Buckley

Cllr McNeely

Cllr Taylor

Cllr B Cutts

Cllr Reeder

Cllr Julie Turner

Cllr Elliot

Cllr Rushforth

Cllr Whysall

Cllr Jepson

Cllr Sansome

Cllr Wyatt

Chair:

Cllr Jeanette Mallinder

Cllr Jones

Our Work Programme 2019 – 20

Overview and Scrutiny Management Board

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| ❖ Council Plan Performance | ❖ To add post discussion |
| ❖ Safer Rotherham Partnership | ❖ Revenue Budget Monitoring |
| ❖ Complaints | ❖ Welfare Reform |
| ❖ Budget and Medium Term Financial Strategy | ❖ Children's Commissioner's Takeover Challenge |
| ❖ Customer Services Transformation | ❖ Pre-decision Scrutiny |

Health

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| ❖ Adult Care Service Development | ❖ Social, Emotional and Mental Health |
| ❖ Autism Strategy and Pathway | ❖ Maternity Services tbc |
| ❖ Public Health | ❖ Gambling and Gaming tbc |
| ❖ Rotherham Integrated Health and Care Place Plan | ❖ South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw Integrated Care System |
| ❖ Respiratory Services | ❖ NHS Trust Quality Reports |

Improving Lives

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| ❖ Early Help/Social Care Pathways | ❖ Counter Extremism in Schools |
| ❖ Safeguarding – Children and Adults | ❖ CYPS Performance |
| ❖ Holiday Hunger | ❖ Monitoring Ofsted Inspections |
| ❖ CYPS Workforce Strategy | ❖ School Performance |
| ❖ Looked After Children Sufficiency Strategy | ❖ Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) |

Improving Places

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| ❖ Thriving Neighbourhoods | ❖ Rotherham Town Centre |
| ❖ Social Inclusion | ❖ Major Incident Plan |
| ❖ Building Stronger Communities | ❖ Area Panel Housing Review |
| ❖ Cultural Strategy | ❖ To add post discussion |
| ❖ Litter and Recycling | ❖ To add post discussion |



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Committee Name and Date of Committee Meeting

Council – 24 July 2019

Report Title

Cabinet Response to Recommendations from Scrutiny review – Modern Methods of Construction

Is this a Key Decision and has it been included on the Forward Plan?

No

Strategic Director Approving Submission of the Report

Anne Marie Lubanski, Strategic Director of Adult Care, Housing and Public Health

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Ward(s) Affected

Borough-wide.

Report Summary

The Improving Places Select Commission conducted a review of modern methods of construction (MMC), and reported to Overview and Scrutiny Management Board (OSMB) on 12 December 2018.

The Housing Service is undertaking a pilot to deliver homes built using MMC and has participated in the IPSC review.

Under the Overview and Scrutiny procedure rules, the Cabinet is required to respond to any recommendations made by Scrutiny and this report is submitted to meet that requirement, and to set out the next steps in terms of implementation.

Recommendations

1. That the Cabinet response to the recommendations of the Scrutiny Review of Modern Methods of Construction as set out in Appendix A be noted.

List of Appendices Included

Appendix A: Response to individual Scrutiny recommendations

Background Papers

Report to Cabinet – 9 July 2018: Modern methods of construction pilot to build affordable homes

Report of Improving Places Select Commission's report to Overview and Scrutiny Management Board – 12 December 2018 – Modern Methods of Construction

Report to Cabinet – 4 February 2019: Delivery of 12 bungalows using modern methods of construction

Consideration by any other Council Committee, Scrutiny or Advisory Panel

Cabinet – 8 July 2019

Overview and Scrutiny Management Board – 17 July 2019

Council Approval Required

No

Exempt from the Press and Public

No

Response to Recommendations from Scrutiny review - Modern Methods of Construction

1. Background

- 1.1 The Improving Places Select Commission conducted a review of MMC, and reported to Overview and Scrutiny Management Board on 12th December 2018. The Housing service is undertaking a pilot to deliver homes built using MMC and has participated in the IPSC review.
- 1.2 The main objectives of the review were to;
- Establish baseline data around house need to help determine suitable locations
 - Identify suitable land opportunities
 - Identify suitable suppliers of modular housing and costs
 - Explore heat sources and solar options
 - Visit Sheffield University, Manchester University, and similar schemes, to fact find
 - Identify sponsorship or other available grant funding
 - Identify success criteria used to measure success and consider expanding the scheme
- 1.3 The Council's Strategic Housing and Development Service is exploring a range of ways to accelerate the delivery of new housing in the borough, including the use of modern methods of construction, and a response to each of the five recommendations is set out in Appendix A.

2. Key Issues

- 2.1 The Council has ambitious housing growth targets and a range of different delivery methods and approaches will be required to achieve the required scale of housing growth in the borough. MMC could contribute for the following reasons:
- Speed of construction.
 - MMC homes typically achieve high levels of quality and energy efficiency (industry expert's state that due to the superior airtightness achieved by precision engineering and factory conditions the homes cost 20% less to heat than conventional properties, which will help to reduce fuel poverty).
 - Potential for reduced labour and construction costs depending on the construction method and number of units.
 - Reduced waste generation (the precise nature of manufacturing means less waste during the process).
 - Health and safety – risks associated with working at heights are reduced.

- Consistency in construction – due to the precision manufacturing, use of high performance materials and inspection at every stage of the build process to ensure that the highest standards are maintained, the risk of imperfections is significantly reduced.
- Minimal impact and disruption on construction site and the surrounding area – typically 80% of the construction work is off-site, which keeps disruptive noise/activity/dust/ movements and deliveries to site to a minimum.
- Opportunities for small and medium specialist companies to work in partnership with the Council, which will help to diversify the local construction industry.

2.2 However, the following points must also be taken into consideration:

- MMC is not necessarily cheaper than traditional construction and it is often only the case that significant savings can be made with the economies of scale offered by a high volume programme.
- By definition, there is limited evidence regarding the long term condition and appearance of homes built through modern construction methods.
- Customer experience of living in MMC properties and customer demand needs evidencing.
- Separate provisions will need to be identified within the Council's repairs and maintenance contractual arrangements.
- As the manufacturing is largely carried out offsite and there are currently no factories in Rotherham, the opportunities for local employment will be lower than for traditional construction.

2.3 The current pilot project will be evaluated as to its effectiveness in addressing the issues set out above and due consideration to further usage and roll out.

3. Options considered and recommended proposal

3.1 The recommendations and corresponding actions are designed to ensure that homes delivered via MMC are closely monitored in terms of effectiveness, value for money and quality, with a view to applying lessons learnt to any future proposals of housing delivery using MMC.

4. Consultation on proposal

4.1 Consultation in respect of the MMC pilot has taken place with local Ward Members.

4.2 The Council's intention to explore the delivery of homes using MMC is set out in the new Housing Strategy, which was approved by Cabinet on 18th March 2019.

5. Timetable and Accountability for Implementing this Decision

- 5.1 The Assistant Director of Housing has overall accountability for delivering the outcomes set out in this report, and progress is reported to the Housing and Regeneration Programme Delivery Board.
- 5.2 The timetable for implementing the recommended actions is set out in the attached schedule (Appendix A).

6. Financial and Procurement Advice and Implications

- 6.1 These are fully addressed in Cabinet reports for specific schemes.
- 6.2 Finance officers will be involved in the analysis and comparison of maintenance costs against traditionally built properties.
- 6.3 There are no additional anticipated costs or incomes to the Housing Revenue Account or General Fund relating to this report. All activity to address the OSMB recommendations will be undertaken utilising existing staff resources.

7. Legal Advice and Implications

- 7.1 These are fully addressed in Cabinet reports for specific schemes.

8. Human Resources Advice and Implications

- 8.1 There are no Human Resources implications arising from this report.

9. Implications for Children and Young People and Vulnerable Adults

- 9.1 The MMC bungalows pilot will deliver accessible homes that will enable older people and people with support needs to continue to live independently.

10. Equalities and Human Rights Advice and Implications

- 10.1 Implementation of OSMB's recommendations, and delivery of the Council's MMC pilot, will help to meet the housing needs of older people and people with support needs. The higher energy efficiency ratings anticipated for new MMC properties will help to alleviate fuel poverty.
- 10.2 New MMC Council Homes will be allocated in accordance with the Council's Housing Allocation Policy.

11. Implications for Partners

- 11.1 Delivery of the OSMB's recommendations will allow the Council to engage in new partnership working and could extend opportunity to SME companies.

12. Risks and Mitigation

- 12.1 These are fully addressed in Cabinet reports for specific schemes.

13. Accountable Officer(s)

	Named Officer	Date
Chief Executive	Sharon Kemp	24/06/19
Strategic Director of Finance & Customer Services (S.151 Officer)	Judith Badger	19/06/19
Assistant Director of Legal Services (Monitoring Officer)	Bal Nahal	19/06/19

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This report is published on the Council's [website](#).

Response to individual Scrutiny recommendations (Modern Methods of Construction)

Recommendation	Officer Recommendation (Accepted/ Rejected/ Deferred)	Rationale for Officer Recommendation (detailing proposed action if accepted, rationale for rejection, and why and when issue will be reconsidered if deferred)	Officer Responsible	Action by (Date)
1. That consideration of any learning points identified as part of the Council's MMC pilot schemes be used to inform any future MMC housing projects.	Accepted	<p>Cabinet approved a pilot project to deliver 12 bungalows using MMC, on 4th February 2019. The Strategic Housing and Development Service is committed to ensuring learning points are captured in a comprehensive report following completion of the units, and the lessons learned will be used to decide whether to deliver further MMC projects.</p> <p>The Council has also committed to share learning from this pilot with other housing providers in the Sheffield City Region (SCR), as part of the conditions of the grant contribution from the SCR Housing Fund</p> <p>The post-completion 'lessons learned' report will focus on the following key areas;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Benchmarking MMC against traditional build in terms of build cost, speed of construction, quality, energy efficiency and ongoing maintenance costs • Evaluation of the most appropriate construction methods and quality assurance scheme(s) for different types of sites • Customer experience of living in the property and customer demand for the product 	Jane Davies, Head of Strategic Housing and Development Service	<p>Quarterly monitoring from Dec 19</p> <p>Lessons learned report 2020</p>

Recommendation	Officer Recommendation (Accepted/ Rejected/ Deferred)	Rationale for Officer Recommendation (detailing proposed action if accepted, rationale for rejection, and why and when issue will be reconsidered if deferred)	Officer Responsible	Action by (Date)
2. That the Housing Service develops a pilot project of up to ten pods at various locations throughout the borough.	Deferred	Further work is required to understand how pods could support housing needs, the most appropriate locations and how this investment would fit within the overall Housing Strategy and investment plan before commencing a pilot. The Council are currently considering options around a pilot of single persons accommodation. If this is viable it is likely that a further Cabinet decision would be required in order to progress development.	Jane Davies, Head of Strategic Housing and Development Service	N/A
3. A pilot project of five MMC homes for families to be developed.	Deferred	If the current MMC pilot is successful, based on the criteria set out in recommendation 1 rationale, consideration will be given to whether MMC can play a role in other housing development projects. The Council are currently considering options around a pilot of single persons accommodation. If this is viable it is likely that a further Cabinet decision would be required in order to progress development.	Jane Davies, Head of Strategic Housing and Development Service	2021/22
4. Develop the option of various energy packages in the MMC properties e.g. solar power and high energy efficiency measures for residents of the borough whether in social or private rented accommodation.	Rejected	For the MMC bungalows pilot, the specification to be adhered to ensures high levels of insulation and airtightness through a 'fabric first' approach. As energy efficiency is embedded in the design, separate energy efficiency options were not specified. However, a review of the energy costs will be undertaken by liaising with the tenants of the MMC	Jane Davies, Head of Strategic Housing and Development Service	Ongoing

Recommendation	Officer Recommendation <i>(Accepted/ Rejected/ Deferred)</i>	Rationale for Officer Recommendation <i>(detailing proposed action if accepted, rationale for rejection, and why and when issue will be reconsidered if deferred)</i>	Officer Responsible	Action by (Date)
		<p>bungalows from the point of sign up, and comparing with traditionally built properties. These findings will be included in the lessons learned report.</p> <p>The Strategic Housing and Development Service and Contracts, Investment and Compliance Service will continue to identify opportunities to implement energy efficiency measures in existing stock.</p>		
5. That each individual MMC property is monitored to demonstrate capital cost and repairs/maintenance costs over a set period of time to allow practical comparison with traditional built homes.	Accepted	This will be analysed on an ongoing basis.	Jane Davies, Head of Strategic Housing and Development Service	From Dec 2019

PART A - Initial Equality Screening Assessment

As a public authority we need to ensure that all our strategies, policies, service and functions, both current and proposed have given proper consideration to equality and diversity.

A **screening** process can help judge relevance and provide a record of both the process and decision. Screening should be a short, sharp exercise that determines relevance for all new and revised strategies, policies, services and functions.

Completed at the earliest opportunity it will help to determine:

- the relevance of proposals and decisions to equality and diversity
- whether or not equality and diversity is being/has already been considered, and
- whether or not it is necessary to carry out an Equality Analysis (Part B).

Further information is available in the Equality Screening and Analysis Guidance – see page 9.

1. Title

Title:

Response to Recommendations from Scrutiny review - Modern Methods of Construction

Directorate:

Adult Care, Housing and Public Health

Service area:

Housing Service

Lead person:

Jane Davies, Head of Strategic Housing and Development

Contact number:

(01709 334970)

Is this a:

☐

Strategy/Policy

☐

Service/Function

☒

Other

If other, please specify

Officer response to the Scrutiny Review of Modern Methods of Construction.

2. Please provide a brief description of what you are screening

The Improving Places Select Commission conducted a review of MMC, and reported to Overview and Scrutiny Management Board on 12 December 2018.

The Council's Strategic Housing and Development Service is exploring a range of ways to accelerate the delivery of new housing in the borough, including the use of

modern methods of construction.

3. Relevance to equality and diversity

All the Council's strategies/policies, services/functions affect service users, employees or the wider community – borough wide or more local. These will also have a greater/lesser relevance to equality and diversity.

The following questions will help you to identify how relevant your proposals are.

When considering these questions think about age, disability, sex, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sexual orientation, civil partnerships and marriage, pregnancy and maternity and other socio-economic groups e.g. parents, single parents and guardians, carers, looked after children, unemployed and people on low incomes, ex-offenders, victims of domestic violence, homeless people etc.

Questions	Yes	No
Could the proposal have implications regarding the accessibility of services to the whole or wider community? <i>(Be mindful that this is not just about numbers. A potential to affect a small number of people in a significant way is as important)</i>		✓
Could the proposal affect service users? <i>(Be mindful that this is not just about numbers. A potential to affect a small number of people in a significant way is as important)</i>		✓
Has there been or is there likely to be an impact on an individual or group with protected characteristics? <i>(Consider potential discrimination, harassment or victimisation of individuals with protected characteristics)</i>		✓
Have there been or likely to be any public concerns regarding the proposal? <i>(It is important that the Council is transparent and consultation is carried out with members of the public to help mitigate future challenge)</i>		✓
Could the proposal affect how the Council's services, commissioning or procurement activities are organised, provided, located and by whom? <i>(If the answer is yes you may wish to seek advice from commissioning or procurement)</i>		✓
Could the proposal affect the Council's workforce or employment practices? <i>(If the answer is yes you may wish to seek advice from your HR business partner)</i>		✓

If you have answered no to all the questions above, please explain the reason

Modern Methods of Construction (MMC) is a different means of property construction. As with traditionally built homes, the end product will be additional units; size, property type and tenure of those units will, regardless of construction method, be driven by an assessment of housing need. Therefore, it is understood that the use of MMC will not have a detrimental impact on an individual or group with protected characteristics.

If you have answered **no** to all the questions above please complete **sections 5 and 6**.

If you have answered **yes** to any of the above please complete **section 4**.

4. Considering the impact on equality and diversity

If you have not already done so, the impact on equality and diversity should be considered within your proposals before decisions are made.

Considering equality and diversity will help to eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and take active steps to create a discrimination free society by meeting a group or individual's needs and encouraging participation.

Please provide specific details for all three areas below using the prompts for guidance and complete an Equality Analysis (Part B).

- **How have you considered equality and diversity?**

(think about the scope of the proposal, who is likely to be affected, equality related information, gaps in information and plans to address, consultation and engagement activities (taken place or planned) with those likely to be affected)

- **Key findings**

(think about any potential positive and negative impact on different equality characteristics, potential to promote strong and positive relationships between groups, potential to bring groups/communities into increased contact with each other, perception that the proposal could benefit one group at the expense of another)

- **Actions**

(think about how you will promote positive impact and remove/reduce negative impact)

Date to scope and plan your Equality Analysis:	
Date to complete your Equality Analysis:	
Lead person for your Equality Analysis (Include name and job title):	

5. Governance, ownership and approval

Please state here who has approved the actions and outcomes of the screening:

Name	Job title	Date
Anne Marie Lubanski	Strategic Director of Adult Care, Housing and Public Health	21.06.19
Jane Davies	Head of Strategic Housing and Development	20.06.19

6. Publishing

This screening document will act as evidence that due regard to equality and diversity has been given.

If this screening relates to a **Cabinet, key delegated officer decision, Council, other committee or a significant operational decision** a copy of the completed document should be attached as an appendix and published alongside the relevant report.

A copy of **all** screenings should also be sent to equality@rotherham.gov.uk For record keeping purposes it will be kept on file and also published on the Council's Equality and Diversity Internet page.

Date screening completed	21.06.19
Report title and date	Response to Recommendations from Scrutiny review - Modern Methods of Construction
If relates to a Cabinet, key delegated officer decision, Council, other committee or a significant operational decision – report date and date sent for publication	<p>Cabinet report 9th July 2018: Modern methods of construction pilot to build affordable homes</p> <p>Improving Places Select Commission's report to Overview and Scrutiny Management Board, 12th December 2018</p> <p>Cabinet report 4th February 2019: Delivery of 12 bungalows using modern methods of construction</p>
Date screening sent to Performance, Intelligence and Improvement equality@rotherham.gov.uk	21.06.19

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Councillor
Beaumont



Councillor
Price



Councillor
Rushforth

PUTTING COMMUNITIES AT THE **HEART** OF EVERYTHING WE DO

The Maltby Ward priorities are:-

- Set up themed steering groups with partners to work together on local issues and priorities.
- Explore ways to help landlords and tenants to help improve the conditions of their properties which will help sustain tenancies and occupancies
- Improve the environment by empowering our communities
- Explore opportunities for diversionary activities for young people
- Explore opportunities to work with the community and partners on the perception of young people and intergenerational projects.
- Work with RMBC public health and the community to raise awareness of mental health
- Work with partners and Adult learning to explore opportunities within the community to improve employability skills and access training.
- Ensure co-ordinated response to ASB hotspots in Monthly CIM meeting and set up specific task and finish groups as / when required.
- Ensure the residents of Little London of kept informed of any developments and progress with the area

Explore opportunities for Diversionary Activities for Young People

Maltby Ward Councillors funded successful diversionary activities on Coronation Park on key nights in the year. Diversionary activities were funded during the Fawkes period (October Half term 2018) and in the summer as young people broke up for their summer break (July 2018). Due to previous successes and its popularity with young people, Maltby Ward Councillors, RMBC Early Help, Neighbourhoods, Barnardo's, Know the Score, Maltby Town Council, South Yorkshire Housing and Active Regen worked together to provide fun activities on the park. Over 80 young people enjoyed free activities on Coronation Park in Maltby in October half term and 156 young people attended the event as well as families in the summer. Young people enjoyed free activities including a climbing wall, Last One Standing and refreshments. Anti-social behaviour reports have significantly dropped since the activities were organised over the Fawkes period.



Improve the Environment by Empowering Communities

Maltby Ward Councillors funded two community groups with Handi Carts from their Ward budget. Maltby Model Village Community Association and the Maltby Environmentalists groups both regularly litter pick in their area keeping their streets free of litter. The young people in the Environmentalist group also designed a sign encouraging people not to drop litter which has been placed on a bin in their community. The colourful design funded by Councillors includes pictures drawn of themselves and their group's logo.



Crags Community School were awarded funding from Maltby Ward Councillors for scooters and safety equipment for pupils at the school to use. Crags Community School are staying active with the use of scooters which are available for all to access whether this is during break times, lunchtimes or an extension to the variety of activities available during PE lessons. The school staff were keen to provide all pupils with the opportunity to access scooters and learn how to ride them safely both in and out of school. The school will be inviting external providers who will provide additional scooter safety advice and initiatives for all the pupils.



Empowering Communities

Maltby has an active bowling group based in Coronation Park where over 70 plus bowlers regularly play and compete against other clubs in competitions. The RMBC owned bowling pavilion was in need of repair and maintenance particularly after water damage. The essential repairs were completed by RMBC but further works to improve the building was funded by the Maltby Ward Councillors. The bowlers themselves sourced a new kitchen which was installed ready for the new bowling season in April 2019. The bowlers were thrilled with all the improvements. The Bowling group would welcome new members and attract young people to join in. This project is part of a number of improvements in the park and an opportunity to promote 5 ways to well being.



Coronation Park NEW Orienteering Course

Maltby Councillors have been working with South Yorkshire Orienteering to set up an orienteering course in Coronation Park. There are three courses in the park for anyone to follow. This initiative is a new addition to the park which schools in the area are keen to use. The orienteering course is now live on the South Yorkshire website and easy to use. A launch of the orienteering course is to be organised with the community.

Intergenerational Project

Maltby Ward Councillors funded a lantern walk in Maltby in partnership with Crags Community School, Maltby Model Village Community Association and Neighbourhoods Team. The Lantern Walk was held in February 2019 and this was the 5th year this event has taken place. The event invited families to take part in a lantern walk where children made colourful lanterns at Crags Community School which they used to help light their way on a walk to a local Neighbourhood Centre in Maltby. Walk Rotherham, South Yorkshire Police Countywide Road Safety Officer, South Yorkshire Housing and South Yorkshire Fire Service also attended the craft session providing advice on how to be seen at night and how to cross roads safely. The group then took a steady walk through Maltby to a local Neighbourhood centre, where Maltby Model Village Community Association served refreshments including Pie, Peas and hot dogs. This was a great intergenerational project and an opportunity for Model Village Community Association to promote their group and encourage new members. The event was a great success and all the families and residents enjoyed a fun activity.

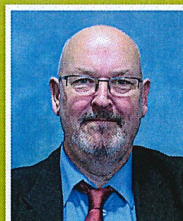


Rawmarsh Ward

Councillor Bob Bird (07787 243677)

Councillor Sandra Marriott (01709 255907)

Councillor David Sheppard (07503 654938)



Councillor
Bird



Councillor
Marriott



Councillor
Sheppard

PUTTING COMMUNITIES AT THE **HEART** OF EVERYTHING WE DO

Ward Priorities:-

- Improve the Physical Environment
- Community Engagement
- Facilities and Activities for Children and Young People
- Community Safety

Key Achievements

Improve the Physical Environment

Making Rawmarsh and Parkgate a cleaner, greener area in which to live and work:-

- Setting up of Friends of Rawmarsh and Parkgate Greenspaces:-

Weekly litter picks carried out in hotspot area.

269 volunteers have taken part in litter picks.

3624 bags of rubbish collected.

The group is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

Received Awards for All Funding.



- Installation of CCTV and lighting column on Old Warren Vale - two individuals fined £400 for fly tipping.
- Installation of opening time signs at Warren Vale Recycling Centre to alleviate issue people dumping outside the Centre when closed.
- Distribution of 200 composting bins in Rawmarsh and Parkgate area.

Community Engagement

Improve facilities and activities for older people in Rawmarsh and Parkgate Area:-

- Work with Friends of Turner Close, Restorative Justice and Housing Department to refresh and refurbish Neighbourhood Centre.



- Restorative Justice decorated the Neighbourhood Centre.
- Rawmarsh Ward Devolved Budget paid for materials for decorating.
- Housing Department paid for new curtains and new furniture.
- Friends of Turner Close has grown from a core group of six people to over 25 people attending various activities including bingo, outings and trips, Christmas and Easter events.

Engage with groups in the Rawmarsh and Parkgate area

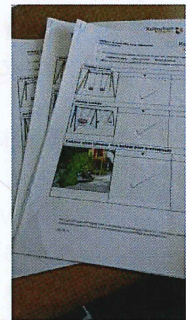
- Winter Weather flyer offering assistance to vulnerable residents in bad weather.
- Lantern Walks and Lantern Workshops – 85 people attended winter event, 120 attended Easter event. A summer event to coincide with Perseid Meteor Shower is being planned.



Facilities and Activities for Children and Young People

Age appropriate play equipment for children in Rawmarsh and Parkgate area

- Replacement play equipment in Rosehill Park – work with Friends of Rosehill Park. Supported through Rawmarsh Ward Devolved Budget.
- Consultation on proposed play area on Barbers Avenue – installation of play area due summer 2019



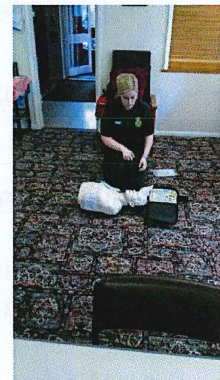
Encourage young people to read

- Summer reading challenge reward of visit to National Space Centre, Leicester being arranged.

Community Safety

Improve community safety

- Installation of defibrillator in Rosehill Park.
- Friends of Rosehill Park trained in use of defibrillator.
- Fire Safety Talks in Primary schools delivered by South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue
- First Aid Training for community members.



Rother Vale Ward

Councillor Leon Allcock (01709 255747)

Councillor Amy Brookes (01709 255943)

Councillor Bob Walsh (01709 255928)



Councillor
Allcock



Councillor
Brookes



Councillor
Walsh

PUTTING COMMUNITIES AT THE **HEART** OF EVERYTHING WE DO

Each of the boroughs 21 Wards have developed a Ward Plan and received a Ward Budget to support the delivery of their plan's priorities. In Rother Vale we have identified the following priorities;

- Build community capacity by supporting community groups and voluntary sector organisations to develop and deliver a wide range of community based services and activities across the Ward.
- Support and develop community safety initiatives in response to emerging hotspots and areas of concern.
- Champion initiatives to decrease loneliness and social isolation and improve physical and mental health and wellbeing
- Support and develop community based initiatives that tackle environmental issues and aim to improve the general appearance of the neighbourhood.
- Explore opportunities to promote lifelong learning and community education

Over the past several months we have delivered a number of projects across the ward that support our ward priorities:-

£5000 has been allocated to play areas across the ward. These include Ulley, Orgreave and Brampton-en-le-Morthen. The funding will contribute towards updating current equipment and making play areas more accessible and safe for children of all ages to enjoy.

Friends of Ulley Country Park secured funding to establish a Brass Rubbings Trail around the park and a contribution towards their Summer Arts Festival

£500 was used to support a monthly Luncheon Club at Treeton Community Centre which provides a 2 course hot meal for local people.

After speaking to residents we are currently working with partners and volunteers to set up monthly afternoon 'I-Tea' sessions at the centre. People will have access to the internet, free wifi and equipment and be able to speak to Ward Members, Housing staff and Police Officers.



£4177.50 was spent on CCTV equipment to tackle fly-tipping, littering and dog fouling in the area. The funding enabled us to purchase 2 CCTV cameras, one is a portable dome camera that can be fitted to a lamp post and the other is a hidden camera. These cameras are being deployed in hotspot areas in the Rother Vale Ward and offenders caught will be prosecuted.

£1600 paid for Bollards outside Willows School to prevent cars parking on the grass verges and making the area safer.

£830 has been allocated for Community Safety items which include Card Defenders, Defender Purse/Bag Cables and Keychain LED Torches. These have been given out to local residents at community events across the ward. We are currently working with Stay Put Handyman Service to fit a number of target hardening items such as shed alarms and window alarms to elderly and vulnerable residents.

£1400 was allocated to Waverley Residents Association to purchase and fit a solar powered

£750 provided match funding to Thurcroft Bowling Club which improved accessibility for disabled users by providing a ramp and shelter.

Following concerns raised by residents around cars speeding in Treeton we arranged a site visit with Highways who advised using the speed activated road sign. We have allocated £4000 for a mobile sign that can be used across the ward.

We have worked with the RVW Area Housing Panel to provide match funding to complete a fencing project in Thurcroft. The fencing will provide security to vulnerable residents, making them feel safer in their homes.

Great British Spring Clean – we allocated £2300 to Community Clean-ups, focusing on Thurcroft and Treeton. Local residents identified a number of overgrown snickets in Thurcroft. Over the summer we set to work clearing and cutting back these snickets.

We supported the Big Local to further develop their community litter picks and skip days by providing a 35 ton skip and purchasing a handcart to make litter picking more accessible to a wide range of people. In Treeton we held a community skip and litter pick day with Treeton community centre. The day was a great success and as a result we have managed to support the development of a new group 'Treeton Village Picker Litters'. This group now meet monthly and we have worked with Streetpride to secure them their own litter picking kit and cart.

Through community consultation we have worked with partners and the voluntary sector to develop and deliver a programme of multi-agency drop-in sessions alongside, advice and free use of IT equipment and internet access.

The growth of Waverley radically altered the demography of the southwest of the Borough. Rother Vale ward councillors supported Orgreave Parish Council in their request for a parish boundary review to reflect this. The review led through public consultation to the formation of the new Waverley Community Council.



HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD
29th May, 2019

Present:-

Councillor David Roche	Cabinet Member, Adult Social Care and Health (in the Chair)
Steve Chapman	Temporary District Commander, South Yorkshire Police
Tony Clabby	Healthwatch Rotherham
Dr. Richard Cullen	Strategic Clinical Executive, Rotherham CCG
Chris Edwards	Chief Operating Officer, Rotherham CCG
Sharon Kemp	Chief Executive, RMBC
Carol Lavelle	NHS England
Jenny Lingrell	Joint Assistant Director, Commissioning, Performance and Inclusion (representing Jon Stonehouse)
Anne Marie Lubanski	Strategic Director, Adult Care, Housing and Public Health)
Dr. Jason Page	Governance Lead, Rotherham CCG
Terri Roche	Director of Public Health
Angela Wood	Chief Nurse, Rotherham Foundation Trust (representing Louise Barnett)

Also Present:-

Adam Bramall	South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service (representing Steve Adams)
Paul Woodcock	Strategic Director, Regeneration and Environment Services
Rebecca Woolley	Policy and Partnerships Officer, RMBC

Report Presenters:-

Sam Barstow	Head of Community Safety and Regulatory Services
Richard Hart	Health Protection Principal
Councillor Emma Hoddinott	Cabinet Member for Waste, Roads and Community Safety
Jill Jones	Homelessness Manager
Sandra Tolley	Head of Housing Options

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mallinder and Watson, Louise Barnett (Rotherham Foundation Trust) and Kathryn Singh (RDaSH)

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest made at the meeting.

2. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS

There were no members of the public or press present at the meeting.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

The new Local Government Association publication that featured Rotherham's Health and Wellbeing Board was scheduled to be launched in July, 2019.

The Rotherham's Clinical Commissioning Group's Annual General Meeting was to take place on 3rd July, 2019, at the New York Stadium and would include stalls to promote good health and wellbeing and a workshop on loneliness.

4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board held on 20th March, 2019, were considered.

Arising from Minute No. 53 (Local Authority Declaration on Healthy Weight), it was noted that the report had been submitted to the Cabinet for information.

Arising from Minute No. 54(2) (Voice of the Child Lifestyle Survey 2019), it was noted that Becky Woolley and the Performance Assurance Manager were drawing up information with regard to long term trends. The information would then be used for Aim 1.

Arising from Minute No. 57(6) (Harmful Gambling), it was noted that the Task and Finish Group had been set up and would meet as soon as the member of staff responsible had returned to work. The first of the training had taken place with more arranged for June.

Resolved:- That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 20th March, 2019, be approved as a correct record.

5. UPDATE FROM SAFER ROTHERHAM PARTNERSHIP

Councillor Hoddinott, Cabinet Member for Waste, Roads and Community Safety and Chair of the Safer Rotherham Partnership Board, together with Sam Barstow, Head of Community Safety and Regulatory Services, gave the following powerpoint presentation on the work of the Partnership:-

Current Priorities (2019/20)

- Protecting vulnerable children
- Protecting vulnerable adults
- Building confident and cohesive communities
- Preventing domestic abuse and other related offences
- Preventing serious and organised crime

Performance Highlights

- First time young offenders down from 229 to 194
- Over 100 engagement sessions regarding countering extremism

Performance Challenges

- Mental Health referrals
- Stalking and harassment
- Substance misuse

Project Highlights

- Hate crime
 - 101 crimes/incidents reported
 - 120 drop-in sessions
 - 45 awareness raising sessions
 - 6 new panel members
 - 165 women part of a network
- Kickz
 - 120 young people engaged
 - 12 educational workshops for young people
 - 7 community events and tournaments
 - 20 young people referred on to education programmes etc.
- Perpetrator Programme
- Engagement activity
 - 1,224 families receiving leaflet on protecting children from extremism
 - 3,499 young people participating in the Lifestyle Survey
 - 7 young people attending a consultant event
 - 7 domestic abuse victims engaged by a 'DA Car' over the Christmas period
- Training activity
 - Hate Crime/Extremism
 - Co-abuse training for DA practitioners
 - Organised Crime sessions within schools
 - Training for responsible authorities under the Licensing Act
 - Extreme right wing ideology

Forward Look

- Continuing to develop co-located teams
- Licensing – Gambling, Training and Sex establishments
- Embedding delivery of the Child Criminal Exploitation project
- Tackling Harmful Narratives and Hate Crime
- Focussing on Environmental Crime, Drug Use/Supply and Off-Road Motorcycles
- Exploring and promoting intelligence across agencies
- Community Payback in local communities
- Hate Crime Strategy
- Anti-Social Behaviour Strategy

It was noted that the Cabinet was to shortly consider the Sex Establishment Policy, upon which consultation was currently being undertaken, and a refresh of the Licensing and Gambling Policy.

Discussion ensued with the following issues raised/clarified:-

- Public Health would be contributing to the Licensing and Gambling Policy consultation i.e. the health/alcohol harm evidence
- Anecdotal hotspots were known but supporting data was required for the cumulative impact assessment
- The Partnership had commissioned work later in the year on the vulnerabilities of people that were subject to certain types of crime
- The Board was pressing for a formalised plan around Mate Crime
- The link between anti-social behaviour and isolation/loneliness - would supporting people to address loneliness and isolation have an impact on the frequent reporters of anti-social behaviour

Councillor Hoddinott and Sam were thanked for their presentation.

Resolved:- That the presentation be noted.

6. **DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH ANNUAL REPORT**

Terri Roche, Director of Public Health, introduced the 2018 independent annual report. For the previous 3 years, the annual reports had focussed on the lifecourse; the 2018 report took a new approach and sought to champion the strengths of Rotherham's local communities and share experiences of what kept its residents healthy, happy and well.

The general public had been asked to submit photographs which showed what kept them healthy, happy and well where they lived. These were then grouped by theme and found that they fell into 2 main themes – community and the environment – as well as capturing all 5 of the 'five ways to wellbeing'.

The 2018 annual report was broken down into chapters on:-

- What does keeping healthy, happy and well in Rotherham mean to you
- Our communities
- Five ways to wellbeing
- What can we do to support health and wellbeing
- Recommendations
- What we will do together
- Progress on last year's recommendations

The key recommendations in the report were:-

- Consider 'health and wellbeing' in the wider context of being influenced by everything around us
- Seek first to understand what is 'strong' in our communities and what assets we can build on together to support the health and wellbeing of our residents

Discussion ensued on the report and presentation with the following issues raised/clarified:-

- Discussion would take place at the Aim 3 workshop to be held later that day with regard to asset-based training
- Should there be focus on one issue to maximise the impact?

Resolved:- That the report be noted.

7. HEALTH PROTECTION COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

Richard Hart, Health Protection Principal, presented the Health Protection annual report 2018 which highlighted the main areas of health protection activity in Rotherham over the period 1st January to 31st December, 2018.

The organisations represented on the Rotherham Health Protection Committee (RHPC) collectively acted to prevent or reduce the harm or impact on the health of the local population caused by infectious disease or environmental hazards, major incidents and other threats.

The Health Protection Committee, on behalf of the Director of Public Health, would continue to meet on a quarterly basis to oversee and discharge the Council's Health Protection duties.

With the publication of the NHS Long Term Plan (7th January 2019), there were opportunities to strengthen actions on health inequalities, antimicrobial resistance, air pollution, supporting people in care homes, national screening programmes and childhood immunisations.

There were 2 risks on the Council's Strategic Risk Register associated with protecting the health of the local health population:-

- To provide an effective co-ordinated multi-agency response in the early stages of any flu pandemic
- To reduce the impact of any communicable disease incident/outbreak in Rotherham

The report set out the areas that RHPC had identified as the focus for actions in the year ahead from which the following key recommendations had been drawn:-

1. Maintain effective monitoring, communication and response to incidents or outbreaks and consolidate multi-agency arrangements which includes an agreed approach to funding.
2. Improve the update of Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) vaccination to achieve minimum herd immunity, routine immunisations for the hard to reach communities and seasonal flu vaccination for staff and the eligible population.

3. Review Borough-wide Infection Prevention and Control Services and make recommendations for improvements to the patient pathway and the sustainability of services (including Tuberculosis Specialist Services).

Discussion ensued on the report with the following issues raised/clarified:-

- There was national debate with regard to the take up of vaccinations to children. If there was a national decision with regard to the way forward it would be adopted by Rotherham. Rotherham Public Health worked very closely with partners and the NHSE worked with GPs
- Public Health England was responsible for vaccinations and the CCG for management of local arrangements. There was history of it being unclear who was responsible for what in the event of a pandemic. It was important that PHE representation was in attendance at any workshop to discuss how such an event would be handled
- Whilst awaiting a lead nationally, it was considered prudent to have such conversations with school leaders through the Rotherham Educational Strategic Partnership as to their thoughts on vaccinations
- Consultation was due to start shortly on Clean Air Zones
- Weekly oversight by the CCG on the availability of drugs

Resolved:- (1) That report be noted.

(2) That the Board's commitment for all partners to sustain their contributions to the Borough-wide health protection work and actions of the Rotherham Health Protection Committee be approved.

ACTION:- All Board members

8. UPDATE ON AIM 1 OF THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING STRATEGY

Aim 1: All children get the best start in life and go on to achieve their potential

Dr. Jason Page, Rotherham CCG, presented an update in relation to Aim 1 of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2025.

With the aim of a powerpoint presentation, following the principles of Signs of Safety, the Board considered:-

What's working well
What are we worried about
What needs to happen

Discussion ensued with the following issues raised/clarified:-

- 25.5% of children aged 4-5 years old were classed as obese 15% would be the expected at that level

- Places for People, Rotherham's leisure provider, was fully engaged with the Council. For adults there was Slimming World, through Healthy Rotherham, and the Healthy Weight for All Plan which was about listening and endeavouring to get people more active. The Rotherham Active Partnership was hosted at the Rotherham Leisure Centre recently. Their aim was to engage the harder to reach groups
- Ensure food outlets were not next to schools
- Work required on advertising e.g. the display of adverts on public transport for fast food

Resolved:- That the report be noted.

9. OUTCOMES FRAMEWORK - SPOTLIGHT: HOMELESSNESS

Sandra Tolley, Head of Housing Options, and Jill Jones, Homelessness Manager, gave a powerpoint presentation on Homelessness Prevention and Rough Sleeper Strategy 2019-22.

The presentation included:-

- The vision
- National context – The Homelessness Reduction Act
- The local picture – the demand and funding
- The 6 aims of the Strategy:-
 - To support people with complex needs
 - To prevent homelessness and offer rapid housing solutions to get people in urgent need rehoused quicker
 - To increase support for young people to prevent homelessness
 - To end rough sleeping and begging
 - To improve access to tenancy support, employment and health support services
 - To ensure there is sufficient decent emergency accommodation
- Action plan to address the gaps
- Housing First
- Analysis of temporary accommodation
- Performance framework/trends

Discussion ensued with the following issues raised/clarified:-

- Housing had a good relationship with certain parts of the Hospital's Discharge Team. Some people discharged from A&E and/or the Mental Health Unit at Swallownest Court may be in need of temporary accommodation. The Service would be providing an Outreach Service at Swallownest Court
- Rotherham had seen an increase in the number of people with a disability rough sleeping over the past 12 months. That could be someone who was in temporary accommodation because it took longer to provide the appropriate accommodation

- Housing OT was part of the Housing Team so an applicant would have an assessment. However, they may have to spend more time in temporary accommodation until suitable accommodation was found. They may be unable to return to their previous accommodation due to their illness
- They would still be accepted under the Homeless Duty because their home was no longer suitable for them
- Step Up and Step Down was where people discharged from hospital and did not have a suitable home to go to and went into temporary accommodation as an interim measure
- The need to ensure everyone was aware and understood the pathways and a report back to the Board on what/where the challenges were in the system as experienced by different parties

Resolved:- That the report be noted.

10. ISSUES ESCALATED FROM PLACE BOARD

There were no issues to report.

11. Q3 PLACE PLAN PERFORMANCE

It was noted that Place Plan performance would be available at a future meeting.

12. ROTHERHAM ICP PLACE BOARD 6TH MARCH AND 3RD APRIL 2019

The minutes of the Rotherham Integrated Care Partnership Place Board held on 6th March and 3rd April, 2019, were noted.

13. UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS

Joint Strategic Needs Assessment update - July

Loneliness - November

14. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Resolved:- That a meeting be held on Wednesday, 10th July, 2019, commencing at 9.00 a.m. venue to be agreed.

PLANNING BOARD
Thursday, 16th May, 2019

Present:- Councillor Sheppard (in the Chair); Councillors Andrews, Atkin, Bird, M. Elliott, Sansome, Short, Steele, Tweed, Walsh, Whysall and Williams.

Councillor Williams assumed the Chair during consideration of application RB2018/1774 when Councillor Sheppard left the room.

Apologies for absence:- Apologies were received from Councillors D. Cutts and Fenwick-Green.

The webcast of the Council Meeting can be viewed at:-
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108. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Bird declared a personal interest in application RB2018/1774 (change of use to micro public (Use Class A4) and erection of a smoking shelter at Unit 10c Dale Road, Rawmarsh) on the grounds of general noise and disturbance and access/egress to the site. He spoke about the application, but then left the meeting and did not observe the vote.

Councillor Sheppard declared a pecuniary interest in application RB2018/1774 (change of use to micro public (Use Class A4) and erection of a smoking shelter at Unit 10c Dale Road, Rawmarsh) on the grounds of his employment at a nearby micro pub. He vacated the chair and left the meeting whilst the application was discussed.

109. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 25TH APRIL, 2019

Resolved:- That the minutes of the previous meeting of the Planning Regulatory Board held on Thursday, 25th April, 2019, be approved as a correct record of the meeting, subject to the inclusion of Councillor Sansome in the list of apologies.

110. DEFERMENTS/SITE VISITS

There were no site visits nor deferments recommended.

111. DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

Resolved:- (1) That, on the development proposals now considered, the requisite notices be issued and be made available on the Council's website and that the time limits specified in Sections 91 and 92 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 apply.

In accordance with the right to speak procedure, the following people attended the meeting and spoke about the application below:-

- Change of use to micro pub (Use Class A4) and erection of lobby area and smoking shelter (RB2018/1774)

Mr. H. Raki (Applicant)
 Ms. C. Ologbosele (Objector)
 Mr. R. Bale (Objector)
 Ms. H. Butler (Objector)
 Councillor R. Bird (Objector)

2) That the Planning Board declares that it is not in favour of application RB2018/1774 and that the application be refused for the following reason:-

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The site is allocated for Mixed Use purposes (MU03) on the adopted Local Plan and A4 'drinking establishments' is not included in the list of uses that are generally considered acceptable in this location. It is considered that the development would lead to unacceptable levels of noise nuisance and general disturbance to local residents and that the development would, therefore, be contrary to Local Plan Policies SP65 Development Within Mixed Use Areas and SP52 Pollution Control.

Members also authorised Enforcement Action to secure the cessation of the unauthorised use of the premises as an A4 drinking establishment, and the removal of the two areas of decking either side of the entrance door, with a compliance period of 28 days.

(3) That application RB2019/0311 be granted for the reasons adopted by Members at the meeting and subject to the relevant conditions listed in the submitted report.

112. UPDATES

The following update information was provided:-

- (a) Members' Seminar – 4th June, 2019 – Supplementary Planning Documents

Members were encouraged to attend a Members' Seminar arranged for Tuesday, 4th June, 2019 at 2.00 p.m. in the Council Chamber covering Supplementary Planning Documents.

- (b) Enforcement Notice – Pitches

The Enforcement Notice in relation to the Pitches site, which was refused permission at the last Planning Board meeting, had been served on 8th May, 2019 and the applicant had 28 days from that date in which to lodge an appeal.

(c) Completed Developments Tour

Plans for a Completed Developments Tour during June would now be confirmed for Monday, 24th June, 2019 departing from the Town Hall. (This has since been amended to Tuesday 25th June, departure from Town Hall and full itinerary to be confirmed)

Members were asked to forward any other proposed site suggestions to Committee Services.

The details and itinerary for the tour would be circulated in due course.

Resolved:- That the information be noted.

113. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Resolved:- That the next meeting take place on Thursday, 6th June, 2019 at 9.00 a.m.

PLANNING BOARD
Thursday, 6th June, 2019

Present:- Councillor Sheppard (in the Chair); Councillors Bird, D. Cutts, M. Elliott, Sansome, Steele, John Turner, Walsh, Whysall and Williams.

Apologies for absence:- Apologies were received from Councillors Atkin and Tweed.

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1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest to report.

2. DEFERMENTS/SITE VISITS

There were no site visits nor deferments recommended.

3. DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

Resolved:- (1) That, on the development proposals now considered, the requisite notices be issued and be made available on the Council's website and that the time limits specified in Sections 91 and 92 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 apply.

In accordance with the right to speak procedure, the following people attended the meeting and spoke about the following applications:-

- Erection of 9 No. dwellinghouse with associated garages at land to rear 76 Moor Lane South Ravenfield for Mr Whitelock (RB2019/0365)

Mr. G. Whitelock (Applicant)

- Demolition of conservatory and erection of single storey front and rear extensions to attach to existing garage at 6 Hall Croft Wickersley for Mr S Mitchell (RB2019/0498)

Ms. J. Dungworth (Applicant)

(2) That applications RB2019/0365 and RB2019/0498 be granted for the reasons adopted by Members at the meeting and subject to the relevant conditions listed in the submitted report.

(3) That, with regard to application RB2019/0550 this be deferred to the next meeting.

(4) That application RB2019/0578 be granted for the reasons adopted by Members at the meeting and subject to the relevant conditions listed in the submitted report and subject to an amendment to a plan in Condition 2 to now read:-

(Amended Unit E Roof Plan A-PL-04-002 Rev B) (Received 24/05/19)

4. PROPOSED TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NO 1, 2019 - LAND ADJACENT TO 43 CLEMENT STREET, KIMBERWORTH, ROTHERHAM

Consideration was given to a report of the Assistant Director of Planning, Regeneration and Transport concerning the proposed confirmation and serving of Tree Preservation Order No. 1 without modification with regard to a woodland on land adjacent to 43 Clement Street, Kimberworth, Rotherham under Section 198 and 201 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

The site of forty individual trees and five groups of trees or shrubs/hedge groups was subject to a planning application seeking outline permission for the erection of eight dwellinghouses with all matters reserved. This application detailed ten category B trees being retained, where possible, as part of the finished scheme. The indicative site layout plan submitted showed that all but seven trees would be retained – a loss of at least forty-three trees.

The Council's Tree Service Manager had stated that the woodland provided a good level of amenity to the local area and whilst it was in need of some management its structure was good. In addition, the trees should be judged as a collective rather than just individually and the loss of the woodland, therefore, would be a great loss to the area.

It was noted that the indicative layout had tried to retain the best structured trees, but the removal of the woodland would remove more than just trees, it would remove habitat and niches that did not exist in individual trees. Accordingly, the Tree Services Manager had recommended that the whole site be covered by a Woodland TPO.

The proposed TPO was based on the trees on site being of good quality that provided an excellent level of amenity to the local area. They were likely to be capable of providing at least this level of amenity for the next four decades, though likely more as they grow. The current development proposal would see the decimation of the woodland that would not be replaced with the current poor replacement tree planting proposal. This could result in just a quarter of the current tree numbers remaining on site along with a massive reduction in habitat for wildlife.

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It was, therefore, considered that the objections to the Order have been carefully considered and that the Order had been made in accordance with Government guidelines and, therefore, recommended to be confirmed without modification.

In accordance with the right to speak procedure, Mr. R. Rogers (Objector) attended the meeting and spoke about this proposed Order.

Resolved:- (1) That the report be received and its contents noted.

(2) That the serving of Tree Preservation Order No. 1 2019 be confirmed without modification with regard to the Woodland situated on land adjacent to 43 Clement Street, Kimberworth, Rotherham under Section 198 and 201 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

5. UPDATES

The following update was provided:-

(a) Completed Developments Tour

The date of the Completed Developments Tour was now set for Tuesday, 25th June, 2019 and confirmation of attendance was now required to Democratic Services.

Further suggestions of sites to visit were sought before a final itinerary was to be circulated.

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Resolved:- That the next meeting of the Planning Board take place on Thursday, 27th June, 2019 at 9.00 a.m.

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Present:- Councillor Sheppard (in the Chair); Councillors Bird, D. Cutts, Jarvis, Sansome, Steele, John Turner, Tweed, Walsh and Whysall.

Apologies for absence:- Apologies were received from Councillors M. Elliott and Williams.

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<https://rotherham.public-i.tv/core/portal/home>

7. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest to report.

8. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 16TH MAY, 2019

Resolved:- That the minutes of the previous meeting of the Planning Regulatory Board held on Thursday, 16th May, 2019, be approved as a correct record of the meeting.

9. DEFERMENTS/SITE VISITS

There were no site visits nor deferments recommended.

10. DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

Resolved:- (1) That, on the development proposals now considered, the requisite notices be issued and be made available on the Council's website and that the time limits specified in Sections 91 and 92 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 apply.

(2) That applications RB2019/0562, RB2019.0574, RB2019/0603 and RB2019/0625 be granted for the reasons adopted by Members at the meeting and subject to the relevant conditions listed in the submitted report.

(3) That, with regard to application RB2019/0243:-

(a) subject to a legal agreement under Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 with the developer for the purposes of securing:-

- 25% Affordable Housing Provision.
- Financial contribution of £500 per residential unit towards the provision of sustainable transport measures.
- Annual payment to The Manvers Lake Trust of £4,023 towards the ongoing management and maintenance of Manvers Lake based on

- a formula of £0.27 per sq. metre (1.49 hectares).
- Establishment of a management company to manage and maintain the on-site landscape and open spaces.

(b) subject to the satisfactory securing of such an agreement, the Council resolves to grant planning permission for the proposed development subject to the reasons for grant and conditions listed in the submitted report.

11. UPDATES

The following update information was provided:-

(a) Public Enquiry – Woodsetts

The Public Enquiry had now finished and both the Council and the appellants were in the process of providing final submissions. The decision was expected towards the end of July, 2019.

(b) Completed Developments Tour

The Completed Developments Tour did not take place on the 25th June, 2019, due to insufficient numbers of attendees. Arrangements would be considered for a tour to be arranged towards the end of the year.

Resolved:- That the information be noted.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Resolved:- That the next meeting of the Planning Board take place on Thursday, 18th July, 2019 at 9.00 a.m.