

# **CABINET**

## Monday, 17 February 2020 10.00 a.m. Council Chamber, Rotherham Town Hall, Moorgate Street, Rotherham. S60 2TH

### **Cabinet Members:-**

Leader of the Council
Deputy Leader of the Council,
Children's Services and Neighbourhood Working Portfolio
Adult Social Care and Health Portfolio
Cleaner, Greener Communities
Corporate Services and Finance Portfolio
Housing Portfolio
Jobs and the Local Economy Portfolio
Waste, Roads and Community Safety Portfolio

Councillor Chris Read Councillor Gordon Watson

Councillor David Roche Councillor Sarah Allen Councillor Saghir Alam Councillor Dominic Beck Councillor Denise Lelliott Councillor Emma Hoddinott



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#### AGENDA

## 1. Apologies for Absence

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

#### 2. 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.

### 3. Questions from Members of the Public

To receive questions from members of the public who wish to ask a general question in respect of matters within the Council's area of responsibility or influence.

Subject to the Chair's discretion, members of the public may ask one question and one supplementary question, which should relate to the original question and answered received.

Councillors may also ask questions under this agenda item.

## 4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Pages 1 - 8)

To receive the record of proceedings of the Cabinet meeting held on 20 January 2020.

#### 5. Exclusion of the Press and Public

Agenda Item 7 has exempt appendices. Therefore, if necessary when considering those items, the Chair will move the following resolution:-

That under Section 100(A) 4 of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves 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.

## **ADULT SOCIAL CARE AND HEALTH**

6. To launch a new building based respite offer to replace current provision (Pages 9 - 43)

Report of the Strategic Director of Adult Care, Housing and Public Health

### Recommendations:-

- That the contents of the report be noted and approval be given to the recommended option for the Council to continue to provide a respite service from the new location at Conway Crescent as set out in the report.
- 2. That the proposed service of notice on the current provider within the terms of the contract to terminate the block contract for Learning Disability residential respite beds be noted.

## CHILDREN'S SERVICES AND NEIGHBOURHOOD WORKING

7. Operational Delivery of LAC Sufficiency Strategy - Proposals to Develop New Residential Provision (Pages 45 - 65)

Report of the Interim Strategic Director of Children and Young People's Services

#### Recommendations:-

- 1. That the proposal to develop in-house residential provision in the borough, as required to deliver the LAC Sufficiency Strategy 2019-2022, be approved.
- 2. That approval be given to progress to operational delivery of two properties in the first instance and also for the continued development of the plan to deliver the intention of the strategy.
- 3. That a further report be presented to Cabinet on the submission of the Ofsted registration for the first two homes, and any requests for permission to move to the next stage of the programme which will include an update on the financial implications.

## **CORPORATE SERVICES AND FINANCE**

8. December Financial Monitoring 2019/20 (Pages 67 - 84)
Report of the Strategic Director of Finance and Customer Services

Recommendations:-

- 1. That the current General Fund Revenue Budget forecast of £4.0m overspend be noted.
- 2. That it be noted that actions will continue to be taken to mitigate the forecast overspend.
- 3. That the Capital Programme update be noted.

## 9. Budget and Council Tax 2020-21 and Medium Term Financial Strategy (Pages 85 - 344)

Report of the Strategic Director of Finance and Customer Services

Recommendations:-

That Cabinet resolve to recommend to Council:-

- Approval of the Budget and Financial Strategy for 2020/21 as set out in the report and appendices, including the proposed budget adjustments and investments, a basic Council Tax increase of 0.99% and an Adult Social Care precept of 2.0%.
- 2. Approval of the updated Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) to 2022/23.
- 3. Approval of the Reserves Strategy as set out in Section 2.8 noting that the final determination of Reserves will be approved as part of reporting the financial outturn for 2019/20.
- 4. To note and accept the comments and advice of the Strategic Director of Finance and Customer Services (Section 151 Officer), provided in compliance with Section 25 of the Local Government Act 2003, as to the robustness of the estimates included in the Budget and the adequacy of reserves for which the Budget provides (Section 2.12).
- 5. To note the consultation feedback from the public, partners and Overview and Scrutiny Management Board (OSMB) following public consultation on the Council's budget for 2020/21 which took place from 13 December 2019 to 13 January 2020 (Section 4).
- 6. Approval of the proposed increases in Adult Social Care provider contracts as set out in Section 2.4.

- 7. Approval of the changes to allowances for Special Guardianship Orders and Child Arrangement Orders as set out in Paragraph 2.6.9.
- 8. Approval of the investment proposals set out in Section 2.7 and Appendix 2.
- 9. Approval of the Council Fees and Charges schedules for 2020/21 attached as Appendix 7.
- 10. Application of the Business Rates Reliefs as set out in Section 2.9, in line with Government guidance.
- 11. Approval of the proposed Capital Strategy and Capital Programme as presented in Section 2.10 and Appendices 3A to 3F.
- 12. Approval of the Treasury Management Matters for 2020/21 as set out in Appendix 4 of this report including the Prudential Indicators, the Minimum Revenue Provision Policy, the Treasury Management Strategy and the Investment Strategy.
- Approval of the Flexible use of Capital Receipts Strategy 2020/21 (Appendix 5).
- 14. Approval that the Capital Programme budget continues to be managed in line with the following key principles:
  - (i) Any underspends on the existing approved Capital Programme in respect of 2019/20 be rolled forward into future years, subject to an individual review of each carry forward to be set out within the Financial Outturn 2019/20 report to Cabinet.
  - (ii) In line with Financial and Procurement Procedure Rules 6.17 and 13.9, any successful grant applications in respect of capital projects will be added to the Council's approved Capital Programme on an ongoing basis.
  - (iii) Capitalisation opportunities and capital receipts flexibilities will be maximised, with capital receipts earmarked to minimise revenue costs.

## 10. Business Rates Discretionary Relief Renewals in 2020/21 (Pages 345 - 358)

Report of the Strategic Director of Finance and Customer Services

#### Recommendations:-

1. That approval be given to the applications for Discretionary Business Rate Relief for the organisations listed in Appendix 1 of the report and in accordance with the details set out in Section 6 of the report, for the 2020/21financial year.

## 11. Recommendations from Overview and Scrutiny Management Board

To receive a report detailing the recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board in respect of the above items that were subject to pre-decision scrutiny on 12 February 2020.

## 12. Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Cabinet will be held on Monday 23 March 2020, commencing at 10.00 a.m. in Rotherham Town Hall.

SHARON KEMP,

Chief Executive.