

SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE DECISION MAKING

RECORD OF THE DECISION MAKING HELD ON 14 JULY 2020

Present:

Councillor Hammond	-	Leader of the Council, Clean Growth and Development
Councillor Rayment	-	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Customer and Organisation
Councillor Fielker	-	Cabinet Member for Health and Adults
Councillor Kaur	-	Cabinet Member for Culture and Homes
Councillor Leggett	-	Cabinet Member for Green City and Place
Councillor Dr Paffey	-	Cabinet Member for Children & Learning
Councillor Shields	-	Cabinet Member for Stronger Communities
Councillor Barnes-Andrews	-	Cabinet Member for Finance & Income Generation

Apologies: Councillor

1. UPDATE ON BREXIT PLANNING

DECISION MADE: (CAB 20/21 29241)

On consideration of the report of the Leader, Cabinet agreed the following:-

- (i) That Cabinet notes the update in this report and the further verbal update to be provided at the meeting.
- (ii) That Cabinet endorses the planned approach to preparations for the end of the Brexit Transition Period on 31 December 2020.

2. SOUTHAMPTON GREEN TRANSPORT RECOVERY PLAN

DECISION MADE: (CAB 20/21 28124)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Green City and Place, Cabinet agreed the following:-

- (i) For the Cabinet to provide overall approval of the Southampton Green Transport Recovery Plan (provided in Appendix 1) which sets out both the key work done to date, work that is currently in progress and work planned for the future, to complement and supplement Connected Southampton 2040 (LTP4) and the schemes identified in Table 1.

- (ii) Cabinet is recommended to accept the Emergency Active Travel Fund (EATF) grant of £0.245m and approve the addition of this amount to the capital programme 2020/21, together with approval to spend as per the details provided in paragraph 13 of this report.
- (iii) Cabinet delegates authority to the S151 officer to accept and authorise spend of any future additional ETAF grant allocation which is expected to be £0.980m but subject to further DfT guidelines and a business case submission that will be approved by the Director of place following consultation with the Cabinet Member and is in accordance with the details provided in paragraph 13 of this report.

3. BUDGET MATTERS: REVENUE AND CAPITAL OUTTURN 2019-20

DECISION MADE: (CAB 20/21 29227)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Finance and Income Generation, Cabinet agreed the following:-

General Revenue Fund

It is recommended that Cabinet:

- (i) Notes the General Fund outturn for 2019/20 is a balanced position as outlined in paragraph 4 and in paragraph 1 of appendix 1.
- (ii) Notes the performance of individual Portfolios in managing their budgets as set out in paragraphs 2 to 4 of appendix 1 and annex 1.1.
- (iii) Recommends Council to approve the budget carry-forward requests totalling £2.36M as outlined in paragraph 5 of appendix 1 and detailed in annex 1.2.
- (iv) Recommends Council to note the performance of the Property Investment Fund (PIF) as detailed in paragraphs 7 to 9 of appendix 1 and annex 1.3.
- (v) Notes that the level of General Fund balances at 31 March 2020 was £10.07M and the level of earmarked reserves was £87.76M as detailed in paragraph 15 and 16 of appendix 1 and annex 1.4.
- (vi) Notes the accounts for the Collection Fund in 2019/20 detailed in paragraphs 20 to 21 of appendix 1 and annex 1.6.

Housing Revenue Account

It is recommended that Cabinet:

- (i) Notes the HRA outturn for 2019/20 as outlined in paragraph 6 and paragraphs 18 and 19 of appendix 1 and annex 1.5.

Capital Programme

It is recommended that Cabinet:

- (i) Notes the actual capital spending in 2019/20 for the General Fund was £56.03M and for the HRA was £41.05M, as outlined in paragraphs 9 and 10 below and detailed in paragraphs 2 to 4 of Appendix 2.
- (ii) Notes the proposed capital financing in 2019/20 as shown in table 3 of Appendix 2.

- (iii) Notes that £0.09M has been added to the programme with approval to spend, with relevant approvals. These additions are detailed in paragraph 11 of Appendix 2 and Annex 2.2.
- (iv) Notes that £0.54M has been added to the programme which requires approval by full Council. These additions are detailed in paragraph 12 of Appendix 2 and Annex 2.3.
- (v) Notes the difference to the amended programme, allowing for slippage, re-phasing and amendments as outlined in the report and set out in table 4 of appendix 2.

4. COVID-19: LEISURE CONTRACTS: FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL IMPACT

DECISION MADE: (CAB 20/21 28112)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Finance and Income Generation, Cabinet agreed the following:-

- (i) Delegate authority to the Executive Director Finance and Commercialisation, following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Income Generation, to reach financial settlement of claims from Places for People Leisure Management Ltd within the parameters detailed in the confidential Appendix 1 of this report and to finalise, following consultation with the Service Director Legal and Governance, the associated deed of variation relating to the service in the future.
- (ii) Delegate authority to the Head of Supplier Management to agree and finalise, following consultation with the Service Director, Legal and Governance a contract with Solent University (“SU”) to operate the building currently known St Mary’s Leisure Centre (“the Centre”) as a community hub until 31 December 2021.

5. 1000 HOMES PROGRAMME

DECISION MADE: (CAB 20/21 28104)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Culture and Homes, Cabinet agreed the following:-

- (i) Subject to the financial approvals of Council, to delegate authority to the Director of Place following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Homes and Culture, Executive Director Communities, Culture and Homes, the Executive Director Finance and Commercialisation and the Service Director Legal and Governance:
 - To deliver a programme in accordance with the overall financial parameters and assumption outlined in this report and to approve and agree the details of each individual scheme which will be based on a specific scheme by scheme business case evaluation.

- To establish a new Programme Board to oversee the delivery of the programme.
- To enter into contracts with consultants, design teams and construction companies as required.
- To agree the final housing and tenure mix for each individual scheme.
- To approve funding applications and successful awards towards this programme.
- To take any other actions required, ancillary approvals or enter into any agreements required to give effect to this decision.

6. DRIVERS WHARF LAND ACQUISITION

DECISION MADE: (CAB 20/21 28120)

On consideration of the confidential report of the Cabinet Member for Finance and Income Regeneration, Cabinet agreed the following:-

Recommendations approved as set out in the confidential report.