

EXECUTIVE CABINET

THURSDAY, 20 NOVEMBER 2014

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Executive Cabinet held on Thursday, 20 November 2014. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

4 CHORLEY COUNCIL PERFORMANCE MONITORING SECOND QUARTER 2014/2015

That the report be noted.

5 REVENUE AND CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING 2014/15 REPORT 2

1. That the full year forecast position for the 2014/15 revenue budget and capital investment programme be noted.
2. Following the success of the Chorley in Bloom and buy-in from the community, Council be requested to approve the setting aside of £40,000 from in-year underspend to develop proposals surrounding the in bloom concept.
3. Approval granted to the use of £30,000 from budget savings in 2014/15 to fund the additional cost of borough-wide campaigns and events.
4. Council be requested to approve the use of £112,000 from budget savings achieved on the Property Services contract in 2014/15 to contribute a sum of £65,000 towards the Town Hall refurbishment works and £47,000 towards the capital cost of Christmas attractions and events. It is further proposed that any additional saving achieved in 2014/15 against this budget be transferred to the Buildings Maintenance Reserve to fund future asset improvement works.
5. That the transfer of a sum of £30,000 received from Chorley Community Housing to an Earmarked Reserve to fund continuation of the Employability Officer post in 2015/16 be noted.
6. That the forecast position on the Council's reserves be noted.
7. Council be requested to approve the following additions to the capital budget all externally funded from Section 106 receipts: £120k for the programme of improvement works at Ranglett's Recreation Ground; £63k for the improvement of the boroughs playing fields; and £2k from three small contributions to the Eaves Green development.
8. That the addition of a £10k contribution received from Lancashire County Council to the Buttermere Play and Recreation budget be noted.
9. Council be requested to approve the transfer of budgets between the capital and revenue budgets to better reflect future delivery of schemes – for further information see paragraph 59.

10. Council be requested to approve the removal of an £80k budget in the capital programme originally earmarked to fund the Council's contribution to a future highway improvement scheme which is no longer going ahead.
11. Council be requested to approve the removal from the capital programme of £25k for IT Projects. This element of the project will be funded from in-year revenue savings rather than borrowing, which will save the Council the cost of repayment in future years.
12. That the addition to the capital programme of £1.1m to fund the agreed Council contribution to the Croston Flood Prevention Scheme approved at Council on 23rd September 2014 be noted.
13. Council be requested to approve the proposed re-profiling of the Capital Programme to better reflect delivery in 2014/15.

6 FLEET STREET MASTER PLAN - EXTRA CARE SCHEME

1. Council be requested to proceed with developing the business case and design for an extra care scheme on Fleet Street.
2. Approval granted that an options appraisal is incorporated into the project which includes exploring the option for a council owned and managed Extra Care Scheme.
3. Council be requested to proceed with site accumulation works and associated consultation.
4. Council be requested to allocate sufficient resources in order to proceed with the project, which will enable the commission of an architect and if necessary professional fees to assist in the modelling of the scheme finances, including capital costs and income and expenditure.
5. That subject to the findings of the business case, a future report is submitted to Executive Cabinet which will seek permission to allocate the land, any capital funding and to progress the scheme.

7 DIGITAL CHANGES TO BUSINESS PROCESSES

That the changes outlined in the report be noted.

8 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

To exclude the press and public for the following item of business on the ground that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

9 LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL RECOMMISSIONING OF INTEGRATED HOME IMPROVEMENT SERVICES (IHIS)

1. Approval granted to accept LCC's offer of a partnership arrangement to deliver the IHIS service in Chorley (contract area 3) from April 2015, on an initial 3 year term to 31 March 2018, with an option to extend for an additional 2 years to 31 March 2020.
2. Approval granted for Officers to investigate the feasibility of the Council tendering for the IHIS service in contract area 4, which comprises West Lancashire, South Ribble and Preston. Exploring the potential for such an

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opportunity would include dialogue with Preston Care & Repair (with whom we already work closely as our existing Handyperson provider) as potential partners in a joint bid for this contract.

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