

Executive Cabinet

1. Any Cabinet recommendations on the reports that require Council decisions appear as separate items on the agenda.

GENERAL REPORT OF THE MEETING HELD ON 30 JULY 2020

Infrastructure Funding Statement and Allocation of Community Infrastructure Levy Funds

2. I presented the report of the Deputy Chief Executive which seeks approval to delegate the update of the Infrastructure Funding Statement (IFS) and allocation of main Community Infrastructure Levy monies to infrastructure projects by an Executive Member Decision (EMD).
3. There is a risk in that the number of allocation requests received for CIL funding will exceed the amount of money collected in the Strategic CIL Portion. The total uncommitted CIL is £2.3m, with known outstanding applications relating to Chorley Council projects of £4.3m.
4. Officers have requested that Lancashire County Council as the local education authority provide a list of schools that require additional school places for consideration for inclusion on the Infrastructure Funding Statement by 31 July 2020, as this is an area of concern for members.
5. We approved the undertaking of a consultation process regarding the schemes on the IFS and allocation of strategic CIL funds. We also approved that the decision to update the Infrastructure Funding Statement and the allocation of main CIL monies following the consultation, be delegated as an EMD.

Quarter One Performance Report 2020/21

6. Councillor Peter Wilson, Executive Member (Resources), presented the report of the Deputy Chief Executive which sets out the performance against the delivery of the Corporate Strategy and key performance indicators during the first quarter of 2020/21, 1 April to 30 June 2020.
7. During quarter one the Covid-19 pandemic and associated lockdown has continued. There has been some impact on service delivery as parts of the organisation have been redeployed to co-ordinate the emergency response. The impact of the Covid-19 crisis will continue to have a significant operational and financial impact on the council, its partners, and the communities it serves.
8. To mitigate the impact of the pandemic as far as possible, the council has developed comprehensive plans to facilitate the recovery of services most impacted by the Covid-19 crisis to ensure our communities, businesses and residents can continue to access our key services and be supported in the recovery from the Covid-19 crisis.
9. Additionally, new ways of working have been successfully deployed, with managers utilising technology, such as remote working. This has ensured that services can continue to be delivered and progress be made under the lockdown restrictions.
10. For the overall performance of the key projects, there are six (46%) of the projects rated as green, and 7 (54%) rated as amber. The projects which have been rated as amber are on the whole due to the impact of Covid-19 on delivery and many have

been rescoped to reflect reprofiled timescales going forward to ensure that project activity in quarter two will be realistic and achievable.

11. Performance of the Corporate Strategy indicators and key service delivery measures is excellent with 80% of Corporate Strategy measures and 100% of key service delivery measures performing on or above target or within the 5% threshold. All projects and indicators performing below target have action plans outlined with measures to improve performance.
12. We discussed the need to continue to support residents in using technology to access council services and noted the report.

Waste collection round changes

13. Councillor Adrian Lowe, the Executive Member (Customer Advice and Streetscene Services) presented the report of the Director (Customer and Digital) which seeks approval for changes to domestic waste collection rounds.
14. The FCC waste contract commenced in April 2019 and reduced the Council's waste collection costs by over £1m per year. The council agreed to more efficient collection rounds in the waste contract to contribute towards the savings.
15. FCC have now submitted plans to change collection rounds. A total of 20,804 households will be affected by the changes. Of these, 13,285 households will see a change to their waste collection day and 7,520 households a change to the order in which their bins are collected. 33,112 households are unaffected by the changes.
16. There will be no reduction in the waste collection service. Each household will still have one collection day per week. Residential waste collections one week, with recycling and garden waste collected the alternative week. Collection frequencies will remain the same: fortnightly blue, grey and green bins; and four-weekly brown bins.
17. Communications will include a targeted letter with bin collection dates, a bin sticker to give advance notice, a dedicated webpage with a new 'address checker' feature, a social media campaign, press releases and posters in areas affected by changes.
18. We commented on the excellent service maintained during the Covid-19 pandemic and approved the approach and changes to waste collection rounds from September 2020.

Review of Procurement Route for Alker Lane

19. I presented the confidential report of the Director (Commercial Services) which provides an update on the progress associated with the Alker Lane Development.
20. Officers have reconsidered the site, particularly in light of COVID-19, and how the market may be affected going forward. We noted the constraints plan, developments in the design, discussions with partners, and the financial model.
21. We supported the reconfiguration of the scrub area to the North East corner of the site, to maximise the developable area, whilst retaining a 10m Ecology buffer.
22. We approved a number of recommendations which progress the project, including the masterplan option for the Alker Lane site and the possible masterplan options for the wider Strawberry Fields site.

Stagecoach Bus Depot Demolition

23. I presented the confidential report of the Director (Commercial Services) which advises the options and benefits of early procurement and direct award of a contractor to complete the demolition of the existing Stagecoach bus depot, including asbestos removal and site remediation
24. Part funding has been secured through Homes England for the Tatton Recreation Ground project, which is dependent on completion of the assisted living element by March 2022.
25. Officers have been progressing with a design to RIBA Stage 3, in order to submit a planning application by August 2020 and ensure the programme is maintained.
26. Whilst, initially, it had been intended that the demolition of the existing Stagecoach Bus Depot, asbestos removal and remediation would be completed by the Principal Contractor as part of the main project award, it has proved necessary to expedite this element of the work. This is to mitigate the time risk associated and to allow additional site investigation and geotechnical appraisals to be completed to inform the more detailed design in this area of the site.
27. We approved the delegation of Contract Award to Executive Member (Resources).

Tatton Procurement

28. I presented the confidential report of the Director (Commercial Services) which seeks approval to utilise a 2-stage tender procure route to appoint a Principal Contractor for the Tatton Regeneration scheme.
29. Officers have been progressing the feasibility and outline design for the proposed Tatton Development which included an assisted living facility, GP surgery and potential pharmacy (relocating the GP surgery from Eaves Lane), new community centre, private residential properties, café, hairdressers and upgrade to the Tatton recreation ground.
30. It has become apparent that the market impact of COVID-19 and the pressures of the programme driven by Homes England funding milestones, make it impractical to secure a robust fixed price at RIBA Stage 3 thus preventing a significant risk to the Council.
31. Consequently, Officers have reflected on the originally intended single stage procurement method and propose the use of a 2-stage procurement method which will identify a preferred bidder who will work with the Council and the project team, on a limited appointment, to develop a Stage 4 design and a fixed price through a strict 'open book' process.
32. We noted the range of consultation undertaken and supported this excellent development for the people of East Chorley.
33. We approved a 2-stage procurement route for the selection of a Principal Contractor for the Tatton Regeneration scheme and an evaluation criteria based on 50% cost and 50% quality.

Approval for the terms of the lease for Whittle surgery, site of 239 Preston Road, Whittle le Woods

34. I presented the confidential report of the Director (Commercial Services) which reports Heads of Terms provisionally agreed for the occupation of the proposed GP Surgery at 239 Preston Road, Whittle Le Woods.
35. We approved the terms reported to enable the drafting of Lease and instructed the Director of Governance to draft the Lease.

Proposed procurement arrangements for the supply, installation, servicing and maintenance of stairlifts and lifting equipment funded by Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG)

36. I accepted this urgent item of business due to reasons of special circumstances. The special urgency procedure has been used to enable this item to be considered.
37. Councillor Graham Dunn, Executive Member (Homes and Housing)) presented the confidential report of the Director (Early Intervention and Support) which proposes revised procurement arrangements for the supply, installation, servicing and maintenance of stairlifts and lifting equipment funded by Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG).
38. We endorsed the recommendations made within the Executive Member Decision in May.

Local Government Reorganisation

39. I accepted this urgent item of business as the issue had arisen since the publication of the agenda.
40. I reported that discussions were ongoing regarding the future of Local Government reorganisation. We noted that discussions are ongoing with other Local Authorities in Lancashire.
41. The government is due to publish a white paper on devolution in September, which will include the subject of local government reorganisation.
42. We noted the discussions.

Recommendation

43. To note the report.

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