Executive Cabinet

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

GENERAL REPORT OF MEETING HELD ON 25 AUGUST 2016

Chorley Council Performance Monitoring Report – First Quarter 2016/17

- 2. The Deputy Leader and Executive Member (Resources) presented the report of the Director of Policy and Governance that set out the Council's performance against the delivery of the Corporate Strategy and key performance indicators during the first quarter of 2016/17, 1 April to 30 June 2016.
- 3. Overall performance of the 2015/16 key projects was good, with 88% on track or complete. Only two projects (12%) were currently rated as off track, the delivery of the Friday Street Health Centre was rated red due to external factors outside of the Council's control and the Delivery of the Community action Plans, currently rated amber following a review of scope. Actions to address the issues had been identified in both cases and were being implemented.
- 4. Members discussed the merits and disadvantages of the Community Action Plan pilot scheme that had been recently undertaken and the Cabinet agreed that lessons had been learnt throughout the process. A full review of all of the Community Action Plans would be undertaken over the next few months.
- 5. The Botany Bay Masterplan was progressing well and the Council would continue to work with all relevant stakeholders including nearby residents on the proposals. It is anticipated that the Masterplan will be brought to a future Council meeting to agree a broad direction of travel before undertaking a more formal consultation. A planning application is expected to be considered early in 2017.
- 6. Performance of the Corporate Strategy indicators and key service delivery measures is also good with 80% of the Corporate Strategy indicators and 86% of key service measures performing above target or within the 5% tolerance. Only two indicators are performing below target, the percentage of 16-18 year olds who are not in education, employment or training (NEET) and percentage of customer's dissatisfied with the service they have received from the Council. Action plans have been developed to improve performance and recent results are already showing improvement.

Revenue and Capital Budget Monitoring 2016/17 Report 1 (end of June 2016)

- 7. The Deputy Leader and Executive Member (Resources) presented the report of the Chief Executive setting out the provisional revenue end capital outturn figures for the Council as compared against the budgets and efficiency savings targets set for the financial year 2016/17.
- 8. The projected revenue outturn showed a forecast underspend of £245,000 against budget, however no action was required at this stage of the year. The latest forecast excluded any variation to projected expenditure on investment items added to the budget in 2016/17 and any remaining balances at year end would be transferred into specific reserves and matched to expenditure in future years.
- 9. In the 2016/17 budget the expected net income from Market Walk after deducting financial costs was £0.942m with the latest projection showing a forecast return of £1.002m. The overall forecast of capital expenditure in 2016/17 was £14.006m.
- 10. The Council was expected to make an overall target saving of £150k in 2016/17 from management of the establishment, with savings of £100k already having been achieved for the year.

11. The Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy proposes that working balances would reach £4.0m over the three year life span of the MTFS to 2018/19 due to the financial risks facing the Council. A budgeted contribution into General Balances of £500k was contained within the new investment package for 2016/17 with the current forecast to the end of June showing that the General Fund balance could be around £3.430m by the end of the financial year. Following approval of the recommendations in the report, the forecast balance would reduce to £3.363m and be on target to achieve £4.0m by 2018/19.

Select Move Policy Amendments

- 12. The Deputy Leader and Executive Member (Resources) presented the report of the Director or Early Intervention and Support outlining the outcome of the consultation and subsequent amendments to the Select Move Allocations Policy.
- 13. Following approval earlier in the year, a consultation programme had been undertaken and involved gathering input from customers, stakeholders and partner agencies. A summary of the consultation comments were provided in appendix one of the report and were in the main, minor changes to the policy. Once all the partners within the Select Move partnership had obtained final sign off from their respective boards and Elected Members, an implementation plan would be established, that would also involve working with the software provider Abritas to make the necessary changes to the system in order to maintain the policy changes.
- 14. Approval was given to adopt the amendments to the Select Move common allocations policy to be implemented in accordance with the plan developed by the Select Move Partnership and to extend the pilot to allocate 25% outside the allocations policy for a further 12 months.

Cotswold Supported Housing, Concierge Service Contract

- 15. The report of the Director of Early Intervention and support was presented by The Deputy Executive Leader and Executive Member (Resources) presented the report of the Director of Early Intervention and Support providing the details of a procurement exercise being undertaken to renew the contract for the delivery of the concierge service for Cotswold Supported Housing, including the evaluations criteria which would be used to award the contract.
- 16. Approval was granted for the contract award procedure, evaluation criteria and weightings that would be used to award the new contract for the provision of night caretaking and concierge service at Cotswold Supported Housing, along with delegated authority for the Executive Member (Resources) to award the contract to the successful bidder.

Recommendation

17. To note the report.

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