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## **Decision Summary**

**Committee:**

**Date:**

**Committee Clerk:**

**TEL:**

**CABINET**

**TUESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2017**

**Andrea Woodside**

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### **Chair**

Councillor David Sheard

### **Councillors Attended**

Councillor Shabir Pandor

Councillor Peter McBride

Councillor Musarrat Khan

Councillor Erin Hill

Councillor Masood Ahmed

Councillor Graham Turner

Councillor Cathy Scott

### **Apologies**

Councillor Naheed Mather

### **Observers**

Councillor Mussarat Pervaiz

Councillor Mahmood Akhtar

Councillor Gulfam Asif

Councillor Fazila Fadia

Councillor Manisha Roma Kaushik

Councillor Darren O'Donovan

Councillor Mohammad Sarwar

Councillor Mohan Sokhal

Councillor Rob Walker

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## **1: Membership of the Committee**

To receive apologies for absence of Members who are unable to attend this meeting.

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillor Mather.

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## **2: Interests**

The Councillors will be asked to say if there are any items on the Agenda in which they have disclosable pecuniary interests, which would prevent them from participating in any discussion of the items or participating in any vote upon the items, or any other interests.

No interests were declared.

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## **3: Admission of the Public**

Most debates take place in public. This only changes when there is a need to consider certain issues, for instance, commercially sensitive information or details concerning an individual. You will be told at this point whether there are any items on the Agenda which are to be discussed in private.

It was noted that Agenda Item 14 would be considered in private session.

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## **4: Deputations/Petitions**

The Committee will receive any petitions and hear any deputations from members of the public. A deputation is where up to five people can attend the meeting and make a presentation on some particular issue of concern. A member of the public can also hand in a petition at the meeting but that petition should relate to something on which the body has powers and responsibilities.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10 (2), Members of the Public should provide at least 24 hours' notice of presenting a deputation.

Cabinet received (i) a petition and deputations from Khalid Khan, Ayzaz Khaliq, Soyeb Yusuf, Hasan Badat, Aziz Daji and Paula Sheriff MP in relation to Agenda Item 9, and (ii) a deputation from Alisa Devlin (on behalf of Huddersfield Town Centre Action Group) in relation to Agenda Item 10.

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## **5: Public Question Time**

The Committee will hear any questions from the general public.

Cabinet received public questions in regards to Agenda Item 9, to which the Leader of the Council responded.

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## **6: Member Question Time**

To consider questions from Councillors.

No questions were asked.

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## **7: Council Budget Update Report 2018-22**

To determine the Cabinet's approach to the annual update of the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP). This is reported to full Council each year, and sets a framework for the development of draft spending plans for future years by officers and Cabinet.

**Officer:** Eamonn Croston

**Wards:** All

- 1) That the updated General Fund Revenue, Housing Revenue Account and Capital Budget Plans rolled forward into the Medium Term Financial Plan update over the 2018-2022 period be noted.
  - 2) That the underlying cost and funding assumptions underpinning the updated plans at this stage, be noted.
  - 3) That approval be given to the budget planning framework, as set out in the considered report.
  - 4) That approval be given to the flexible capital receipts strategy, as set out in the considered report.
  - 5) That approval be given to the corporate budget timetable and approach, as set out in the considered report.
  - 6) That approval be given to the budget consultation approach and timetable, as set out in the considered report.
  - 7) That the report be submitted to the meeting of Council on 11 October 2017 for consideration.
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## **8: Dog issues - Joint Working Protocols with West Yorkshire Police and Kirklees Prosecution Strategy**

A report seeking approval for protocols covering operational management of dog offences between the Council and West Yorkshire Police. The report outlines how the authority will deal with dog related offences to ensure a consistent approach and that appropriate and proportionate measures are put in place.

**Officer:** Sam Connelly

**Wards:** All

That approval be given to the adoption of (i) Responsibility Protocol for Dog Offences between West Yorkshire Police and Kirklees Council and (ii) Kirklees Prosecution Policy.

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## **9: Bereavement Services – Fees and Charges**

To seek approval for the development of future business models and charging structures for Bereavement Services.

**Officer:** Sarah Durdin

**Wards:** All

- 1) That the considered report be accepted in principle, and noted.
  - 2) That approval be given to the implementation of the proposal to cease charges for the cremation or burial of a person under the age of 18 years old.
  - 3) That authority be delegated to the Strategic Director (Economy and Infrastructure) to make arrangements for an engagement exercise on the proposed changes to fees and charges to be undertaken with affected community groups prior to the submission of a further report to a future meeting of Cabinet meeting.
  - 4) That, pursuant to (3) above, any members of the public who wish to be informed of the engagement exercise be asked to register their interest with their local Ward Councillor/s.
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## **10: Huddersfield Town Centre Access and Connectivity Project Impact Assessment Report**

To present to Cabinet the evidence and indicators that have been considered to provide an evaluation of the impact of the 'Huddersfield Town Centre Access and Connectivity' project against its original aims together with an overview of changes noted within the town centre since the scheme's implementation

**Officer:** Richard Hadfield and Steven Hanley

**Wards:** Newsome, Dalton and Greenhead

That the report be noted and submitted to the meeting of the Town Centre Working Party on 20 September 2017 for consideration.

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## **11: Specialist Provision for Kirklees Children with Communication and Interactive Needs.**

A report advising members on the outcome of the statutory processes on the Kirklees Council proposals to:-

- a) Create 12 new transitional places at Windmill Church of England Voluntary Controlled Primary School for children with complex communication and interaction needs.
- b) Decommission 12 transitional places for children with Speech, Language and Communication Needs (SLCN) at Ashbrow School

**Officer:** Mandy Cameron

**Wards:** All

- 1) That the advice of Kirklees School Organisation Advisory Group that (i) the proposals for Ashbrow School to discontinue the provision of 12 transitional places for children with speech language and communication needs are valid and (ii) that the required statutory processes have been carried out, be noted.
- 2) That it be agreed that the decision regarding the proposals will be taken within the statutory time period.
- 3) That the outcomes and recommendations of the School Organisation Advisory Group from the meeting of 21 August 2017, and associated recommendations, noted.
- 4) That the human resource and financial implication of the approval of the proposals be noted.
- 5) That it be confirmed that, in meeting the obligations of the Equality Act 2010 and the Public Sector Equality Duty 2011, full regard has been given to the Equalities Impact Assessment throughout the statutory process for the proposal including the decision regarding approval.
- 6) That approval be given to the discontinuation of the provision of twelve transitional places for children with speech and language and communication needs at Ashbrow School.
- 7) That approval be given to the creation of twelve new transitional places at Windmill Church of England Voluntary Controlled Primary School for children with complex communication and interaction needs from 1 October 2017.

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## **12: Ashbrow Housing Site – Contract and Land Disposal**

A report seeking authority for the Council to enter in to a contract with a development partner for the Ashbrow Housing site, and dispose of the land to that partner.

**Officer:** Liz Jefferson

**Wards:** Ashbrow

- 1) That approval be given to dispose of the land at less than best consideration to the preferred bidder, as detailed in the considered report.
  - 2) That approval be given to the use of the capital receipt from the disposal of the land to subsidise the provision of additional affordable homes.
  - 3) That the opportunity for Homes and Communities Agency funding, as set out in paragraph 3.3.5 of the considered report, be noted and that approval be given for officers to pursue this funding opportunity.
  - 4) That the previous decision of Cabinet (dated 7 February 2017) to delegate authority to the Assistant Director (Legal, Governance and Monitoring) , now Service Director (Legal, Governance and Commissioning), to finalise and enter into all appropriate contracts, deeds and documents in relation to the appointment of a preferred bidder, in consultation with the Assistant Director (Place), now Service Director (Economy, Regeneration and Culture) and the Service Director (Commercial, Regulatory and Operational Services), be noted and re-confirmed.
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### **13: Exclusion of the Public**

To resolve that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business, on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information, as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

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### **14: Ashbrow Housing Site - contract and land disposal**

A Private Appendix in relation to agenda item 14 above.

Cabinet received exempt information prior to the determination of Agenda Item No. 12.

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