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Decision Summary

Committee:

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COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY 17 JANUARY 2018

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Chair

Councillor Christine Iredale

Councillors Attended

Councillor Masood Ahmed

Councillor Karen Allison

Councillor Bill Armer

Councillor Gulfam Asif

Councillor Donna Bellamy

Councillor Martyn Bolt

Councillor Cahal Burke

Councillor Jean Calvert

Councillor Andrew Cooper

Councillor Nosheen Dad

Councillor Jim Dodds

Councillor Richard Eastwood

Councillor Eric Firth

Councillor Michelle Grainger-Mead

Councillor Charles Greaves

Councillor David Hall

Councillor Steve Hall

Councillor Lisa Holmes

Councillor Edgar Holroyd-Doveton

Councillor James Homewood

Councillor Judith Hughes

Councillor Mumtaz Hussain

Councillor Paul Kane

Councillor Manisha Roma Kaushik

Councillor Viv Kendrick

Councillor Musarrat Khan

Councillor Vivien Lees-Hamilton

Councillor Robert Light
Councillor Fazila Loonat
Councillor Gwen Lowe
Councillor Terry Lyons
Councillor Andrew Marchington
Councillor Naheed Mather
Councillor Peter McBride
Councillor Bernard McGuin
Councillor Darren O'Donovan
Councillor Shabir Pandor
Councillor Carole Pattison
Councillor Mussarat Pervaiz
Councillor Amanda Pinnock
Councillor Andrew Pinnock
Councillor Kath Pinnock
Councillor Hilary Richards
Councillor Mohammad Sarwar
Councillor Cathy Scott
Councillor Ken Sims
Councillor Richard Smith
Councillor Mohan Sokhal
Councillor Julie Stewart-Turner
Councillor Kath Taylor
Councillor Graham Turner
Councillor Nicola Turner
Councillor Sheikh Ullah
Councillor Rob Walker
Councillor Michael Watson
Councillor Gemma Wilson
Councillor Linda Wilkinson
Councillor Habiban Zaman

Apologies

Councillor Mahmood Akhtar, Councillor Donald Firth, Councillor Erin Hill (Currently on Maternity Leave), Councillor John Lawson, Councillor Marielle O'Neill, Councillor Andrew Palfreeman, Councillor Nigel Patrick, Councillor David Sheard, Councillor Elizabeth Smaje and Councillor John Taylor

1: Announcements by the Mayor and Chief Executive

To receive any announcements from the Mayor and Chief Executive.

The Mayor advised of a change in the order of the Agenda Summons, and that Agenda Items 10 and 11 would be received in reverse order.

The Chief Executive advised of changes to Cabinet Portfolio responsibilities, as attached.

In regards to Agenda Item 9, Council were reminded of the requirements of the of Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 in regards to voting.

2: Apologies for absence

Group Business Managers to submit any apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Akhtar, D Firth, Hill, Lawson, O'Neill, Palfreeman, Patrick, J Taylor, Sheard and Smaje.

3: Minutes of Previous Meeting

To agree and authorise the Mayor to sign as a correct record the Minutes of Council held on 13 December 2017.

Approved as a correct record subject to the deletion of Councillor Gemma Wilson from the list of attendees.

4: Declaration of Interests

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

Details to follow.

5: Petitions (From Members of the Council)

To receive any Petitions from Members of the Council in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 9.

No petitions were received.

6: Deputations & Petitions (From Members of the Public)

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.

Kath Middleton and Jimmy Paxton gave a deputation and submitted a petition in regards to the Flockton Bypass campaign.

7: Public Question Time

The Committee will hear any questions from the general public.

Council received questions from (i) Caroline Goodwill regarding the Whitcliffe Mount site, Cleckheaton and (ii) Kath Middleton regarding (a) the Flockton Bypass and (b) highways funding.

8: West Yorkshire Combined Authority - Minutes

To receive the Minutes of the Meeting of the West Yorkshire Combined Authority held on 5 October 2017.

Received and noted.

9: Calculation of Council Taxbase 2018/2019 (Reference from Cabinet)

To consider the report.

Contact: Steve Bird, Welfare and Exchequer Services

- (i) That the Council Taxbase 2018/2019 for Kirklees, and the five Parish and Town Council areas, be approved as follows;
 - Whole of Kirklees £117,770.00
 - Denby Dale £5,732.57
 - Holme Valley £9,960.21
 - Kirkburton £8, 861.25
 - Meltham £2,761.79
 - Mirfield £6,599.19
 - (ii) That approval be given for the full Government Council Tax Reduction Scheme Grant to be passed to Town and Parish Councils at the same level as previous years and that it be noted that a review will be undertaken in advance of next year's budget to ascertain the appropriate level of funding.
 - (iii) That authority be delegated to the Service Director (Finance, IT and Transactional Services) to adjust the taxbase to reflect any changes that may be agreed by Members, and to recalculate the taxbase pursuant to Section 3 1B (1) and S67 (1) and (2A) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.
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10: Written Questions to the Leader, Cabinet Members, Chairs of Committees and Nominated Spokespersons

To receive written questions to the Leader, Cabinet Members, Chairs of Committees and Nominated Spokespersons in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12/12(1).

The schedule of written questions will be tabled at the meeting.

Question by Councillor Andrew Cooper to the Deputy Leader of the Council (Councillor Shabir Pandor)

“How much influence do you have on the West Yorkshire Combined Authority?”

The Deputy Leader to replied thereto.

Question by Councillor Andrew Cooper to the Cabinet Member for Corporate (Councillor Khan)

“Will you review your decision not to allow permit parking for residents in Lockwood?”

The Cabinet Member replied thereto.

Question by Councillor Andrew Cooper to the Cabinet Member for Economy (Councillor Naheed Mather)

“Since our last Full Council meeting, what action have you taken to ensure the Council’s policy on flying lanterns is properly promoted?”

The Cabinet Member replied thereto.

Question by Councillor Andrew Cooper to the Cabinet Member for Economy (Councillor Naheed Mather)

“A number of Council’s have introduced policies to end the use of single use plastic. Is this a policy the administration would support?”

The Cabinet Member replied thereto.

Question by Councillor A Pinnock to the Cabinet Member for Economy (Councillor Peter McBride)

“In your role as a member of the West Yorkshire Combined Authority, what is the importance of the Upgrade of the Trans-Pennine railway route, either for Kirklees or the Region as a whole?”

The Cabinet Member replied thereto.

Question by Councillor Jean Calvert to the Cabinet Member for Children’s Services (Councillor Viv Kendrick)

“Could Councillor Kendrick remind Council when the Child Sexual Exploitation Multi Party Panel was first set up and when was its first meeting?”

The Cabinet Member replied thereto.

Question by Councillor Bill Armer to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Public Health (Councillor Cathy Scott)

“Certain residents of Bedford Avenue, Grange Moor, were offered an option of purchasing (a) the land between their houses and Bedford Avenue or (b) an easement to allow their passage over this land.

What are the all-in costs (legal/admin fees plus cost of land/easement) of each of these options?”

The Cabinet Member replied thereto.

Question by Councillor Bill Armer to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Public Health (Councillor Cathy Scott)

“In relation to 25-30 Bedford Avenue Grange Moor, it was reported in the Huddersfield Examiner that ‘the option to consider alternative sources of funding was offered to ward councillor’.

What alternative sources of funding were identified, and to which councillors was the offer made?”

The Cabinet Member replied thereto.

Question by Councillor Michael Watson to the Cabinet Member for Children’s Services (Councillor Viv Kendrick)

“The letter written on 8 December 2017 by Rachel Holden, the OFSTED inspector, following the Monitoring visit of Kirklees Children’s services reports:

“The focus of this visit was agreed with the director of children’s services, six weeks prior to fieldwork, as an area in which it was hoped that progress could be demonstrated, as plans were already being actioned in the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub, which was identified as ineffective in the inspection in 2016. However, the action taken during this time has not led to the improvements anticipated, and children are being left in situations of unacceptable and unassessed risk. The pace of change in Kirklees is too slow, and widespread and serious failures remain in the first response to children in need of help and protection. Inspectors identified a deterioration in the management of risk to vulnerable children and in the quality of decision-making and assessment.”

Does the Cabinet Member accept that the inspectors identification of a deterioration in the management of risk to vulnerable children indicates that matters are getting worse rather than better so far as our children's services are concerned with the consequence that children are more at risk now than they were at the time of the original damning OFSTED report in November of 2016?"

The Cabinet Member replied thereto.

**Question by Michael Watson to the Cabinet Member for Economy
(Councillor Peter McBride)**

"In the Huddersfield Examiner from 2013 Cllr McBride is quoted as saying:

'I am delighted to announce this year's parking concessions to tempt Christmas shoppers to spend more time in local town centres during the festive season. We have provided this in previous years and it is appreciated by both shoppers and town centre businesses alike and will help to provide a boost for the local economy.'

Were parking concessions put in place this year for the same reasons and if so did they achieve the aim?"

The Cabinet Member replied thereto.

**Question by Councillor Michael Watson to the Cabinet Member for Economy
(Councillor Naheed Mather)**

"In relation to glass recycling sites in the area;

Which Ward has the most, and how many?
Which ward has the fewest, and how many?
What is the average number per ward?"

The Cabinet Member replied thereto.

**Question by Councillor David Hall to the Deputy Leader of the Council
(Councillor Shabir Pandor)**

"Have you read the Deloittes report into council savings?"

The Deputy Leader replied thereto.

**Question by Councillor David Hall to the Deputy Leader of the Council
(Councillor Shabir Pandor)**

"Are you happy with this year's budget process?"

The Deputy Leader replied thereto.

Question by Councillor Robert Light to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Public Health (Councillor Cathy Scott)

“The Kirklees Help and support service provides essential support for rape victims. How long do victims have to wait for full counselling support?”

The Cabinet Member replied thereto.

Question by Councillor Robert Light to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Public Health (Councillor Viv Kendrick)

“This December the Council received its third monitoring report since Ofsted first judged Kirklees Children’s Services as inadequate in 2016. Two years on Ofsted still judged Kirklees Children’s Services as inadequate. Given that all opposition Groups lent their support to the Children’s Services improvement plan will the Cabinet member inform this Council when we will see quantifiable improvement in Kirklees Children’s Services?”

The Cabinet Member replied thereto.

Question by Councillor Robert Light to the Deputy Leader of the Council (Councillor Shabir Pandor)

“Will the Deputy Leader outline his priorities for the next years Council Budget and the Medium Term Financial Plan?”

The Deputy Leader replied thereto.

Question by Councillor Robert Light to the Cabinet Member for Economy (Councillor Peter McBride)

“As an important member of the WYCA investment panel the Deputy Leader will be aware that economies of Leeds, Wakefield and Bradford are now showing significant growth and this is also clear in the retail sector (even in Bradford). Yet in Kirklees our economy is not thriving and our retail sector in our town centres are in significant decline. Why is Kirklees different?”

The Cabinet Member replied thereto.

Question by Councillor Gemma Wilson to the Cabinet Member for Economy (Councillor Peter McBride)

“Do you think the letters that have gone to residents in the Birchencliffe and Edgerton area regarding compulsory purchases have been thought through properly. In my view they are heavy handed, have scared residents for whom many this has come out of the blue, and the language and tone is very distressing and has left some of the Lindley residents I represent, and some Greenhead residents distressed and worried about their home, any effects on the value of their homes and whether the compensation will take this into account and be adequate to fully recompense these residents?”

The Cabinet Member replied thereto.

Question by Councillor Andrew Marchington to the Cabinet Member for Economy (Councillor Peter McBride)

“Recent figures have shown that there are over 2000 properties across Kirklees which have been empty for 6 months or more. There are 722 properties which have been empty for 2 years or more. However, the Council has declined to make to use of Empty Dwelling Management Orders in the last 5 years, despite a rise in the number of homeless. Can the Cabinet member advise what actions the Council is taking to bring empty homes back in to use?”

The Cabinet Member replied thereto.

Question by Councillor Nicola Turner to the Cabinet Member for Economy (Councillor Peter McBride)

“What do you think is the best devolution deal for Kirklees?”

The Cabinet Member replied thereto.

Question by Councillor Nicola Turner to the Nominated Spokesperson for the West Yorkshire Pension Fund Joint Advisory Group and West Yorkshire Pension Fund Investment Panel (Councillor Hilary Richards)

“What actions has the Council taken to implement the recommendations of the fossil fuel divestment pension motion, which was passed at Council in October 2015?”

The Nominated Spokesperson replied thereto.

Question by Councillor Nicola Turner to the Deputy Leader of the Council (Councillor Shabir Pandor)

“What further support could this Council give to the HRI campaign?”

The Deputy Leader replied thereto.

Question by Councillor Nicola Turner to the Cabinet Member for Children’s Services (Councillor Viv Kendrick)

“What reassurance can the Cabinet Member give us about Children’s Services in light of the recent interim Ofsted report?”

The question was not put, due to time constraints.

Question by Councillor Nicola Turner to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Public Health (Councillor Cathy Scott)

“Many residents in Kirklees are struggling to find an NHS dentist for routine NHS treatment. Unequal access across Kirklees may be contributing to the wider issue of health inequalities, with patients in North Kirklees, in particular, receiving different experiences, outcomes and level of access when they use the NHS. In light of this, what steps is the Council taking to reduce the differences in health provision across the borough?”

The question was not put, due to time constraints.

Question by Councillor Cahal Burke to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Public Health (Councillor Cathy Scott)

“What actions are being undertaken to address the rise of homelessness across Kirklees?”

The question was not put, due to time constraints.

Question by Councillor Edgar Holroyd-Doveton to the Cabinet Member for Economy (Councillor Peter McBride)

“Can the Cabinet Member inform us about plans for improving the availability of housing particularly for young people, either on their own or those starting a family.”

The question was not put, due to time constraints.

Question by Councillor Habiban Zaman to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Public Health (Councillor Cathy Scott)

“Inequalities and disparity to access NHS dental care is faced by some residents of Kirklees.

Are you able to tell us how many people are currently unable to access treatment, how many are using A&E?

How effective has Dentaid been in bridging the gap?

Are you able to provide a breakdown of people who have accessed this service? i.e., gender, age, background”

The question was not put, due to time constraints.

Question by Councillor Bernard McGuin to the Cabinet Member for Corporate (Councillor Graham Turner)

“Will Ward Councillors be able to carry forward any unused moneys from their Ward Budgets from the current year? Having raised this question with Council Officers I am awaiting confirmation as to whether or not this will be the case.”

The question was not put, due to time constraints.

Question by Councillor Bernard McGuin to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Public Health (Councillor Cathy Scott)

“What does the Council do to encourage rough sleepers in and around Huddersfield Town Centre, and indeed across Kirklees, to get help finding accommodation?”

The question was not put, due to time constraints.

Question by Councillor Bernard McGuin to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Public Health (Councillor Cathy Scott)

“Can the Cabinet Member elaborate on the reasons why people should or shouldn’t be giving money and/or food to people who are begging in our town centres?”

The question was not put, due to time constraints.

Question by Councillor Bernard McGuin to the Cabinet Member for Economy (Councillor Naheed Mather)

“Does the responsible Cabinet Member think that Kingdom’s business model means that it is not in their interests to issue warnings, but to go straight to issuing a penalty notice?”

The question was not put, due to time constraints.

11: Key Discussion - Kirklees Neighbourhood Housing/Kirklees Active Leisure

Council will receive presentation updates on the Council’s arms-length management arrangements for (i) Kirklees Neighbourhood Housing and (ii) Kirklees Active Leisure, prior to the Key Discussion debate.

(Under the provision of Council Procedure Rule 5(5), the Key Discussion shall commence no later than 7.00pm. Council Procedure Rule 18 (23) permits a maximum of 60 minutes for this item).

Presentations were received from Kirklees Neighbourhood Housing and Kirklees Active Leisure, followed by questions and comments.

Arising from the comments and discussion regarding the KNH presentation it was noted that a future key debate would be scheduled to take enable further discussion of housing issues.

12: Motion submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 14 as to Care Leavers Council Tax Exemption

To consider the following Motion in the names of Councillors N Turner, A Pinnock, Burke, Marchington, Lawson, Eastwood and Wilkinson.

This Council notes that:

- 1) Last year, a number of young people (aged 16 or over) left the care of Kirklees local authority and began the difficult transition into adulthood;
- 2) The recent Ofsted report on the authority's Children's Services identified the experiences and progress of care leavers as requiring improvement and recommended proactive support;
- 3) A 2016 report by The Children's Society found that when care leavers move into independent accommodation, they begin to manage their own budget fully for the first time. The report showed that care leavers can find this extremely challenging and with no family to support them and insufficient financial education, are falling into debt and financial difficulty;
- 4) Research from The Centre for Social Justice found that over half (57%) of young people leaving care have difficulty managing their money and avoiding debt when leaving care;
- 5) The local authority has a duty of care to care leavers.

This Council believes that:

- 1) Care leavers need support to make their transition from care to adult life as smooth as possible and to reduce the chance of falling into debt as they begin to manage their own finances;
- 2) Care leavers are a particularly vulnerable group for Council Tax debt.

This Council, therefore, resolves:

- 1) To investigate options to exempt care leavers from Council Tax until they are 25;
- 2) To report back to Council in time for budget setting for 2018/19.

Item not considered (due to time constraints).

13: Motion submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 14 as to address Public Sector Pay

To consider the following Motion in the names of Councillors N Turner, A Pinnock, Burke, Marchington, Lawson, Eastwood and Wilkinson.

This Council notes:

- 1) In September 2017, the government announced that the 1% public sector pay cap would be lifted, which was confirmed in the Autumn Budget, with ministers given 'flexibility' about pay awards;
- 2) There was an announcement that police and probation officers would receive a small pay rise last year, although the pay increase will be met

- through existing departmental budgets;
- 3) In England, many public sector workforces are covered by independent Pay Review Bodies. In spring and summer 2018, Secretaries of State will consider the recommendations of Pay Review Bodies and will make final decisions on pay awards;
 - 4) Pay bodies will take recruitment and retention difficulties into account when recommending pay increases and negotiations around pay rises will be partly linked to productivity improvements;
 - 5) There has been no government announcement confirming pay rise increases for all public sector workers and there has been no allocation of specific funding to raise pay;
 - 6) Public sector earnings have fallen by 4% in real terms since 2009-10 according to the Institute for Fiscal Studies, while an Office of Budget Responsibility forecast shows that the average annual wage will be £1,000 lower in 2020 than predicted at the 2017 March Budget;
 - 7) That the Consumer Prices Index (CPI) was 3.1% in November 2017.

This Council believes:

- 1) That the continuation of the public sector pay restraint is having an unreasonable effect on the living standards of many public sector staff, and is also affecting recruitment and retention across the public sector. Holding down pay has become the default position for making efficiencies, while workforce issues are being neglected;
- 2) Rising inflation shows how urgent it is to address the sense of unfairness around pay restraint, with public sector workers effectively receiving real-term pay cuts. The 2017 Autumn Budget has failed to deliver any substantial improvements for public sector workers;
- 3) The government's current approach in relation to public sector pay is unfair and counter-productive, because:
 - it is not sustainable;
 - it is resulting in staff recruitment and retention issues;
 - resources are being used to alleviate the issues resulting from recruitment and retention challenges, which includes millions of pounds being spent by schools and NHS trusts every month to pay for job adverts. Declining staff numbers are driving increased use of agency staff to plug the gaps at a significant cost;
- 4) Higher wages among public sector workers would lead to increased spending, additional tax revenues and benefits savings, with a significant portion of funding required to lift the cap returned to the Treasury;
- 5) The benefits of increasing public sector pay and the multiplier effect could be huge for the economy.

This Council, therefore, agrees that:

The Chief Executive should write to the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government to request that:

- The recommendations of Pay Review Bodies and the results of negotiations with employers are implemented; and
- Subsequent pay increases be fully funded via the central government settlement, not through existing departmental budgets, which could result in further cuts to public services

Item not considered (due to time constraints).

14: Motion submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 14 as to Access to NHS Dentistry in Kirklees

To consider the following Motion in the names of Councillors N Turner, A Pinnock, Burke, Marchington, Lawson, Eastwood and Wilkinson.

This Council notes:

- There is an emerging crisis in dental care in England, with 48% of dental practices not accepting new adult patients and 40% not accepting new child patients on the NHS;
- According to Public Health England, just over £3bn is spent each year on providing NHS dental care, which represents 3% of the total NHS budget in England;
- The issue of lack of access to NHS dentistry is conspicuous across West Yorkshire. In Kirklees, it is estimated that 96% of dental surgeries will not take on new NHS patients;
- The NHS Choices website, which lists dentists and provides details of those accepting new NHS patients. In the Huddersfield/valley area there is only 1 dentist practice accepting new NHS patients, but in many other areas of Kirklees, including Cleckheaton, Dewsbury, Mirfield and Denby Dale, no provision is available. Significant numbers of residents are struggling to find NHS dentists for routine NHS treatment;
- The disparity and unequal access to NHS dentists across Kirklees, with NHS dental spending considerably less in North Kirklees. For instance, in 2015, NHS dental spending in Greenhead ward was an estimated 14 times higher than in Dewsbury West. The charity, Dentaid, provided a mobile dental unit and offered free treatment at several locations in North Kirklees earlier this year;
- In March 2017, NHS Digital revealed that 1 in 3 children in Kirklees have not seen an NHS dentist in the past 12 months, while approximately 29% of 5-year-olds in Kirklees have decayed, filled or missing teeth;
- The work being undertaken by patients' rights charity, Healthwatch Kirklees and the West Yorkshire Local Dental Network, in undertaking research and working on ways to improve access to local dental services;
- NHS England North has implemented a pilot access project within Kirklees and Bradford, while an Access Strategy Group will consider access to NHS dental services across Yorkshire and Humber, to prioritise areas of highest need of additional services and to maximise current provision.

This Council believes:

- Dental health is essential to the wellbeing of local people. However, a shortfall of NHS dentists is resulting in many Kirklees residents being unable to access treatment, forcing some to use A&E;
- Many people are unable to afford private care. Everyone should be able to access good-quality NHS dental services and should not be forced to travel for care;
- The figures around lack of access to NHS dentists across Kirklees and elsewhere in the country are not inevitable; rather, they are a consequence of ministers trying to keep costs down. The system for funding NHS dentistry is not working;
- There is a lack of information available to patients in Kirklees and elsewhere about the availability of NHS dentists;
- The lack of dentists accepting new NHS patients is symptomatic of a wider failure to provide adequate facilities and infrastructure in Kirklees at the same time as more houses are being built and the population is increasing;
- The current NHS dental contract in England is not based on need and accessibility and is not fit-for-purpose. The current dental contract sets quotas on patient numbers and does not enable dentists to take on more NHS patients. The contract is bad for dentists and for patients – in Kirklees and across the country.

This Council resolves:

- To call on the Department of Health to undertake an urgent and comprehensive review of dentistry across West Yorkshire and Kirklees and to address the widening inequalities in provision;
- To call on the Department of Health to review and reform the NHS dental contract system, so that it is predicated on the need to change the focus of dental service provision with a focus on prevention and patient demand.

Item not considered (due to time constraints).

15: Motion submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 14 as to Housing in Kirklees

To consider the following Motion in the names of Councillors N Turner, A Pinnock, Burke, Marchington, Lawson, Eastwood and Wilkinson.

This Council notes:

- The high demand from people seeking social housing for rent in Kirklees;
- The continuing decline in the availability of social housing for rent as a result of the Right to Buy;
- The stated, urgent need for more specialist housing for older and disabled people, as described by the Cabinet member for social care.

This Council, therefore, resolves:

To request that Cabinet prioritise the use of council-owned land, already allocated for housing in the Local Plan and UDP, to meet these known needs. This can be done by offering these sites to specialist housing developers in partnership with the Council on a first refusal basis.

Item not considered (due to time constraints).
