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Decision Summary

Committee:

Date:

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TUESDAY 8 JULY 2025

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Chair

Councillor Carole Pattison

Councillors Attended

Councillor Beverley Addy

Councillor Moses Crook

Councillor Tyler Hawkins

Councillor Viv Kendrick

Councillor Amanda Pinnock

Councillor Jane Rylah

Councillor Graham Turner

Observers

Councillor Tanisha Bramwell

Councillor Paul Moore

Councillor Cathy Scott

Councillor John Taylor

Apologies

Councillor Nosheen Dad

8: Council Financial Outturn & Rollover Report 2024/25 incorporating General Fund Revenue, Housing Revenue Account, Capital and Treasury Management (Reference to Council)

To consider Financial Outturn & Rollover Report 2024/25 incorporating
General Fund Revenue, Housing Revenue Account, Capital and Treasury
Management.

Wards affected: all

Contact: James Anderson, Head of Accountancy

RESOLVED – That the report be referred to Council with a recommendation that;

General Fund

- 1) Note the improved revenue outturn position of +£5.6m overspend for 2024/25 (+£9.9m at Q3);
- 2) Note the year end position on reserves and balances of £61.0m (excluding Statutory Reserves), particularly that the level of general reserve remains unchanged at £25m (paragraphs 3.2.19- 22);
- 3) Approve the creation of the Strategic Budget Contingency reserve (paragraph 3.2.21), with a balance of £3.5m at 31/3/25; funded from the Voluntary Revenue Provision Reserve;
- 4) Note the application of the Councils flexible capital receipts strategy to the value of £5.5m applied against eligible transformation costs in 2024/25 thereby reducing revenue expenditure, in accordance with the agreed budget (paragraph 3.2.32);
- 5) Note the regular monitoring and review of corporate reserves in 2025/26 to be reported to Cabinet as part of the Quarterly financial monitoring cycle;
- 6) Note the year end deficit position on the Collection Fund of £10.2m;

HRA

- 7) Note the HRA revenue outturn position for 2024/25 as an underspend of £1.3m reducing the contribution to capital in 24/25 by £1.3m. Note the year end reserves balance of £30.6m compared to £33.9m in 23/24;

Capital

- 8) Note the Council capital outturn position at £140.6m for 2024/25
- 9) Approve the £13.7m capital slippage from 2024/25 to 2025/26 and removal of £0.4m uncommitted rollover from the Capital Plan (paragraph 3.2.33);
- 10) Note the revised capital plan for the period 2025/26 onwards after taking into account the re-phasing of schemes and additional grant funding assumptions (Appendix 4a: Summary Capital Plan and Appendix 4b: Detailed Capital Plan); Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG)
- 11) Note the cumulative deficit on the DSG of £63.8m, an increase of £20.1m from the previous year, and that this deficit was excluded from the Council's balance sheet as a result of the Statutory Override as set out in the Local Authority Capital Finance and Accounting Regulations. Also to note the recent two year extension to Statutory Override, which now ends in March 2028 pending further consultation updates from Government expected in Autumn 2025.

Treasury Management

- 12) Note the Review of Treasury Management activity for 2024/25 (Appendix 5)

12: Kirklees Inclusive Economy Strategy (Reference to Council)

To consider the Kirklees Inclusive Economy Strategy.

Wards affected: all

Contact: Jonathan Nunn, Policy & Partnerships Lead

RESOLVED - That the Kirklees Inclusive Economy Strategy be submitted to the meeting of Council on 16 July 2025 with a recommendation to adopt.

13: Joint West Yorkshire Mass Transit Spatial Development Framework Development Plan Document (Reference to Council)

To consider proposals in relation to the Mass Transit Spatial Development Framework Development Plan Document.

Wards affected: all

Contact: Mathias Franklin, Head of Planning

RESOLVED –

- 1) That following and subject to approval (2) at Council, approval be given to the establishment of a Joint Member Committee to oversee the drafting of the joint West Yorkshire Mass Transit Spatial Development Framework Part 1 Development Plan Document.
 - 2) That the proposal to produce a Joint West Yorkshire Mass Transit Spatial Development Framework Part 1 Development Plan Document be submitted to a meeting of Council with a recommendation to approve.
 - 3) That subject to (1) the proposal to delegate authority for initial early engagement and public consultation (Regulation 18) on the draft joint West Yorkshire Mass Transit Spatial Development Framework Development Plan Document and to prepare the submission draft and consultation for Regulation 19 to the Joint Member Committee be submitted to a meeting of Council with a recommendation to approve.
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14: Local Development Scheme Revisions

To consider the revised Local Development Scheme.

Wards affected: all

Contact: Jo Scrutton, Group Leader Policy and Strategy

RESOLVED –

- 1) That approval be given to the Local Development Scheme July 2025 as outlined at Appendix 1 of the considered report.
 - 2) That authority be delegated to Service Director, Skills and Regeneration to publish the approved Local Development Scheme on the council's website.
 - 3) That authority be delegated to Service Director, Skills and Regeneration to send a copy of the adopted Local Development Scheme to Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government.
 - 4) That authority be delegated to the Service Director, Skills and Regeneration to make any minor amendments and corrections to the Local Development Scheme.
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15: Surplus Property Disposals 2025/26 and consideration of objection to the disposal of Public Open Space at Grasscroft, Almondbury

To consider surplus property disposals and objection to the disposal of Public Open Space at Grasscroft, Almondbury.

Wards affected: Almondbury, Ashbrow, Batley East, Birstall & Birkenshaw, Crosland Moor & Netherton, Dewsbury East, Dewsbury South, Greenhead, Heckmondwike, Holme Valley South, Lindley, Mirfield, Newsome.

Contact: Alistair Kimpton, Strategic Manager – Logistics

RESOLVED –

- 1) That approval be given to the disposal of the land and property within the Supplementary Capital Receipts Schedule 2025/2026 to support the Council's income targets.
 - 2) That authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Place in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Finance and Regeneration, to negotiate and agree terms and complete the sales of any land and property identified within the Supplementary Capital Receipts Schedule 2025/2026.
 - 3) That, having considered and dismissed the objection to the disposal of public open space, approval be given to the disposal of the land at Grasscroft, Almondbury, shown edged red on the plan at Appendix B of the considered report.
 - 4) That authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Place to negotiate and agree terms and complete the sale of the land at Grasscroft, Almondbury.
 - 5) That authority be delegated to the Service Director – Legal, Governance and Commissioning to enter into all agreements necessary to effect any of the disposals approved in (1) and (3).
 - 6) That the highway improvement lines as shown in the plan at Appendix C and as identified in paragraphs 2.20 - 2.22 of the considered report be revoked.
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16: 2025/26 - 2026/27 Corporate Landlord Capital Plans - Proposed allocation of capital funding

To consider the programmes of work for 2025/26 – 2026/27.

Wards affected: all

Contact: David Martin, Head of Service - Property

RESOLVED –

- 1) That the programmes of work for 2025/26 – 2026/27 as shown in Appendix be approved.
 - 2) That authority be delegated to the Service Director – Development in consultation with the Portfolio Holder to:
 - (i) add or delete projects from the programmes, provided that the total cost of the programmes remains within the approved capital allocations,
 - (ii) transfer resources between the Corporate Landlord programmes without restrictions,
 - (iii) slip, delete or reallocate budget between projects during the two financial years, provided that the total cost of the programmes remains within the approved capital allocations.
 - 3) To approve acceptance and addition to the Capital Plan of £76,006 (retrospective for £68,405 already applied in 2024/25) grant from Sport England and £100K capital from the Trustee of Clayton West to be vired into the Scissett Baths budget as agreed contributions.
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17: Update Regarding Progress with the Regulatory Notice

To receive an update on progress with the Housing Regulatory Notice.

Wards affected: all

Contact: Janet Sharpe, Interim Service Director for Homes and Neighbourhoods

RESOLVED – That the update on progress relating to the Regulatory Notice issued by the Regulator of Social Housing be noted.

18: Variation to the Terms of the Tenancy Agreement

To consider a variation to the Council's Tenancy Agreement.

Wards affected: all

Contact: Lisa Ramsden, Head of Housing Management and Partnerships

RESOLVED - That the variation to the Council's Tenancy Agreement be approved, to take effect from Monday 18 August 2025.

19: White Rose Forest Strategic Plan 2025-2050

To consider the White Rose Forest Strategic Plan 2025-50.

Wards affected: all

Contact: Guy Thompson, White Rose Forest Programme Director

RESOLVED – That approval be given to the White Rose Forest Strategic Plan 2025-50.

20: Air Quality Management Areas for Revocation or Amendment 2025

To consider the Council's Air Quality Management Areas.

Wards affected: Ashbrow, Liversedge & Gomersal, Dewsbury West, Birstall & Birkenshaw, Lindley, Heckmondwike, Crosland Moor & Netherton and Newsome.

Contact: Rebecca Muff, Environmental Health Group Leader

RESOLVED – That under the provisions of the Environment Act 1985: -

- 1) the Air Quality Management Areas in (i) AQMA1 Copper Bridge and Bradley (ii) AQMA2 Scouthill and (iii) AQMA4 Birkenshaw, be revoked.
 - 2) the Air Quality Management Areas in (i) AQMA3 Ainley Top, (ii) AQMA7 Liversedge and (iii) AQMA10 Thornton Lodge, be amended.
 - 3) authority be delegated to the Head of Public Protection to carry out all necessary steps to execute the revocation or amendment of the Air Quality Management Areas.
 - 4) authority be delegated authority to the Service Director, Legal, Governance and Commissioning to enter into and execute any documents necessary to revoke or amend the Air Quality Management Areas.
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