

Time Commenced – 18:02  
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## **Executive Scrutiny Board**

**4 December 2023**

Present: Councillor Poulter (Chair)  
Councillors Amin, Bolton, Care, Eyre, M Holmes, Lindsey,  
Mulhall, Rawson, C Wright

In attendance: Sam Dennis – Director of Public Protection and Streetpride  
Kirsty McMillan – Director of Integration & Direct Services  
(Adults)  
Steven Mason – Democratic Services Officer  
Toni Nash – Head of Finance  
Gurmail Nizzer – Director of  
Elly Tomlinson – Group Accountant

### **41/23 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Councillors P Ingall and J Khan.

### **42/23 Late Items**

There were none.

### **43/23 Declarations of Interest**

There were none.

### **44/23 Minutes of the meetings held on 20 November 2023**

The minutes of the meeting held on 20 November 2023 were agreed.

### **45/23 Forward Plan**

The Board considered the contents of the Forward Plan published on 7 November 2023.

No items were added to the future work programme.

**Resolved to note the Forward Plan.**

## 46/23 Council Cabinet Responses to Scrutiny Recommendations

The Board considered a report which allowed the Scrutiny Board to receive responses from Council Cabinet on recommendations made at the previous Board meeting on 20 November 2023.

**The Board resolved to note the report.**

## 47/23 Council Cabinet Agenda

The Board considered a report the Council Cabinet Agenda. Members considered the Council Cabinet agenda in its entirety for the meeting scheduled for Wednesday 6 December 2023.

### **Key Decisions**

#### **Proposal to 'merge' Walbrook Nursery School and Pear Tree Infant School**

The Board received a report of the Cabinet Member for Children's Social Care, Learning and Skills and the Strategic Director for People Services on Proposal to 'merge' Walbrook Nursery School and Pear Tree Infant School.

**The Executive Scrutiny Board noted the report and welcomed the move and resolved to recommend to Council Cabinet that serious consideration be given to the future use of Walbrook Nursery School, for example as a Community Hub.**

#### **Proposals on Integration between Derby City Council & Derbyshire Community Health Services for the delivery of reablement, short term care and urgent support**

The Board received a report of the Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Care and the Strategic Director for People Services on Proposals on Integration between Derby City Council & Derbyshire Community Health Services for the delivery of reablement, short term care and urgent support.

**The Executive Scrutiny Board noted the report and welcomed the proposals and resolved to recommend to Council Cabinet that it includes in the partnership agreement with DCHS an expectation that support of patients will include ongoing public health and preventative work to build reliance and so minimize the risk of return to hospital in the medium and longer term.**

#### **Approval of the Council Tax Support Scheme (CTS) for 2024/2025**

The Board received a report of the Cabinet Member for Cost of Living, Equalities and Customer Inclusion and the Director of Financial Services on Approval of the Council Tax Support Scheme (CTS) for 2024/2025.

**The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report and welcome the proposal.**

### **Waste Management and Environmental Enforcement Update**

The Board received a report of the Cabinet Member for Communities and Streetpride and the Deputy Chief Executive on Waste Management and Environmental Enforcement Update.

**The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved:**

- 1. to recommend to Council Cabinet that, before the changes are made to remove the booking system from the HWRC on Sundays in April, a further survey is done of users of the Centre to ensure that this is the right way forward and then to review this decision if it would no longer be preferred by even 25% of respondents (which was the proportion that were dissatisfied in the 2021 survey); and**
- 2. to recommend to Council Cabinet that if changes are made to the Raynesway Household Recycling Centre booking system on Sundays, the changes are kept under constant review, with monitoring of both financial and other implications, including queuing traffic and traffic disruption. For a report to come back to Council Cabinet, Executive Scrutiny and the relevant scrutiny board detailing these outcomes, within between 6 and 9 months.**

### **Budget and Policy Framework**

#### **Treasury Management Mid-Year Report 2023/24**

The Board received a report of the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Strategy, Governance and Finance and the Director of Financial Services on Treasury Management Mid-Year Report 2023/24.

**The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.**

### **Contract and Financial Procedure Matters**

#### **Compliance with Contract and Financial Procedure Rules**

The Board received a report of the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Strategy, Governance and Finance and the Director of Financial Services on Compliance with Contract and Financial Procedure Rules.

Members noted that the report sought Council Cabinet approval for the following:

- Acceptance of Department for Education- DfE Funding for the Short Breaks Innovation Fund of £0.997m

- Addition of a new scheme to the 2023/24 Property Capital Programme of £0.030m to purchase equipment for Sinfin Library
- Bid for and acceptance of DfT and addition to the 2024/25 Highways and Transport – Transforming Cities Fund (TCF) Capital Programme – Zebra 2 capital funding of £36.5m
- To outline arrangements in relation to the recent DfE’s National Wraparound Programme (the Programme) and associated revenue and capital grant funding of £1.382m as determined under Section 31 of the Local Government Act 2003

**The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.**

MINUTES END