

Report of the Chief Executive

# **Council Cabinet Response to Scrutiny Recommendations**

#### SUMMARY

1.1 This report outlines the recommendations made by the Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board to Council Cabinet and Council Cabinet's responses to these recommendations. The relevant responses have been extracted (and condensed where appropriate) from the Council Cabinet Minutes and included in Section 4 of this report.

#### RECOMMENDATION

2.1 To note the responses from Council Cabinet recorded in the Council Cabinet Minutes.

#### **REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION**

3.1 To ensure that the Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board receives a response from Council Cabinet to the recommendations made.

#### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

#### Council Cabinet Meeting of 03 August 2016 - Key decisions

#### 4.1 **43/16** Reconfiguration of Children Centre Services

The Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board made no recommendations on this report.

#### 4.2 **44/16** Libraries Strategic Review – Options for a New Service Delivery Model

The Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board recommended Council Cabinet that contingency plans are drawn up as part of any proposals resulting in the running of libraries by communities.

#### **Council Cabinet Decision**

- 1. To adopt the service vision and objectives described in paragraphs 5.17 and 5.18 respectively of the report.
- 2. To approve the needs assessment ranking shown in paragraph 6.20 of the report, and the methodology from which it was derived including the double

weighting of the socio-economic component (paragraphs 6.1 to 6.19 of the report).

- 3. To support the proposal that for the reasons outlined in paragraph 6.25 of the report that the Derby Local Studies and Family History Library be included within the Council's statutory offer.
- 4. To support in principle the proposal, subject to approval of a detailed business case and consideration of feedback from the 'phase 2 consultation', to relocate city centre lending library services from the Central Library to Derby Riverside Library on the ground floor of the Council House (paragraphs 6.26 to 6.36 of the report).
- 5. Subject to the Riverside Library project going ahead, to support the proposal to maintain a supplementary off-site stock collection at Blagreaves Lane Library, on rolling stacks currently occupied by the Derby / Derbyshire Joint Fiction Reserve, and the slimming down of the current Fiction Reserve to accommodate it (paragraph 6.37 of the report).
- 6. To support the proposal that, if the Council adopts Community Managed Libraries (CMLs) as part of its strategy for the future of the Library Service in Derby, a financial and in-kind support package be provided to assist in their establishment and sustainability. The precise details of that package, and allocation of available resources between CMLs, would be determined later in the Review (paragraphs 6.42 to 6.53 of the report).
- 7. If, as part of the proposal, any CMLs are established in Derby, to support the proposal principle that they be deemed to be outside the Council's statutory offer (paragraphs 6.54 and 6.55 of the report).
- 8. To agree the proposals for the core elements common to all four service delivery model options, as outlined in paragraphs 6.56 to 6.62 of the report.
- 9. To note the four versions of service delivery model described in this report (paragraphs 7.1 to 7.18 of the report).
- 10. To agree that Option B be acknowledged within the proposed 'phase 2' consultation process as the Council's preferred option (paragraphs 7.19 to 7.34 of the report).
- 11. To authorise a 'phase 2' public and stakeholder consultation (paragraph 7.37 of the report), which would cover and seek feedback on:
  - the preferred service delivery option and the three other options described in the report
  - the proposal to close the Central Library and deliver a replacement city centre lending service from Derby Riverside Library at the Council House
  - the working assumptions described in the report for the operation of CMLs.
- 12. Contingency plans be drawn up as part of any proposals resulting in the running of libraries by communities.

# 4.3 **45/16** Health and Care System Sustainability and Transformation Plan for Derby City and Derbyshire

The Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board made no recommendations on this report.

# 4.4 **46/16 Outdoor Football Pitch Provision**

The Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board recommended to Council Cabinet that the rationalisation process includes options to allow local teams and groups to continue to use and operate on home pitches not included in the remaining provision if they are willing and able to meet the financial and legal requirements of license agreements.

# **Council Cabinet Decision**

- 1. To approve the implementation from 2016/17 of the proposed rationalisation programme noting the key objectives to achieve service savings and deliver recommendations within the current Outdoor Sports Strategy while continuing to meet the demand for football pitch provision in the city.
- 2. To note the reduction in the number of sites managed for formal football without reducing capacity to meet current demand within the city.
- 3. To accept the recommendation of the Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board to allow local teams and groups to continue to use and operate on home pitches not included in the remaining provision if they are willing and able to meet the financial and legal requirements of license agreements.

# 4.5 47/16 Single Discretionary Award Scheme

The Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board recommended to Council Cabinet:

- that the scheme would be reviewed in light of any changes to the welfare system to ensure that applicants to the Single Discretionary Award Scheme are not disadvantaged; and
- that any learning from the introduction of the Single Discretionary Award Scheme Policy would be passed on to others when appropriate in relation to the introduction of Universal Credit.

#### **Council Cabinet Decision**

- 1. To note the consultation report and corresponding responses in Appendices Two and Three of the report
- 2. To agree an implementation date of 30 August 2016 for the introduction of the Single Discretionary Award Scheme Policy and service.
- 3. To accept the recommendation of the Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board to ensure that applicants to the Single Discretionary Award Scheme are not disadvantaged; and any learning from the introduction of the Single Discretionary Award Scheme Policy would be passed on to others when appropriate in relation to the introduction of Universal Credit.

# 4.6 48/16 Quarter 1 Capital Monitoring 2016/17 – 2018/19

The Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board made no recommendations, however, the Board wished to recommend to the Audit and Accounts Committee that particular attention is given to the quarterly Capital Programme reports to highlight and deal with issues around slippage and delivering elements of the programme within the timescales identified at quarter 1 as early as possible.

# **Council Cabinet Decision**

- 1. To approve the changes and additions required to the 2016/17 capital programme as detailed in Appendix 2 of the report.
- 2. To note the revised programme for 2016/17 in table 1 and the revised indicative programme for 2017/18-2018/19 as shown in table 3 of the report.
- 3. To note the changes to 2016/17 capital funding as detailed in Table 4 Section 5 of the report.
- 4. To approve the allocation of S106 funding as summarised in paragraph 5.10, table 5 of the report.
- 5. To note the LCVAP funding allocations detailed in section 6 and Appendix 3 of the report.
- 6. To recommend to the Audit and Accounts Committee that particular attention is given to the quarterly Capital Programme reports to highlight and deal with issues around slippage and delivering elements of the programme within the timescales identified at quarter 1 as early as possible.

#### 4.7 **49/16 Contract and Financial Procedure Matters**

The Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board made no recommendations, however the Board requested that it is kept updated on the future position in relation to the delivery of the Living Wage and potential impacts on the Council's pay line.

#### **Council Cabinet Decision**

- 1. To approve the allocation of £64,133 additional grant funding received in 2016/17 to the Corporate Contingency, as detailed in section 4 of the report.
- To approve the reallocation of funding from the Corporate Contingency in 2016/17 to fund costs associated with the implementation of the Living Wage allowance, subject to separate approval at Personnel Committee on 4 August 2016. The part year effect was estimated to be approximately £15,000, dependent on implementation date. Further details could be found in section 5 of the report.
- 3. To approve changes to the corporate capital receipts policy, as detailed in section 6 of the report.

- 4. To approve the use funding from the Derby Enterprise Growth Fund Reserve for the D2 Business Development Programme, without ERDF match funding. This was subject to the approval of our funding partners to the revised proposal, as detailed in section 7 of the report.
- 5. To be kept updated on the future position in relation to the delivery of the Living Wage and potential impacts on the Council's pay line.

# OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 None.

# This report has been approved by the following officers:

Legal officer	N/A
Financial officer	N/A
Human Resources officer	N/A
Service Director(s)	N/A
Other(s)	David Walsh – Democratic Services Manager
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Background papers:	Council Cabinet Minutes and Reports 10 February 2016.
List of appendices:	Appendix 1 – Implications

# IMPLICATIONS

## **Financial and Value for Money**

1.1 Costs associated with implementing the recommendations associated with this report would need to be determined by relevant officers following decisions made by Council Cabinet.

# Legal

- 2.1 Rule OS23 of the Council's Constitution relate are relevant to this report in its final submissions to Council Cabinet. Rule OS23 states that the Council or Council Cabinet shall consider the report of the overview and scrutiny board within one month of it being submitted to the proper officer.
- 2.2 Legal implications associated with implementing the recommendations associated with this report would need to be determined by relevant officers following decisions made by Council Cabinet.

# Personnel

3.1 Personnel implications associated with implementing the recommendations associated with this report would need to be determined by relevant officers following decisions made by Council Cabinet.

# IT

4.1 IT implications associated with implementing the recommendations associated with this report would need to be determined by relevant officers following decisions made by Council Cabinet.

#### **Equalities Impact**

5.1 Effective scrutiny benefits all Derby people and the very nature of the Scrutiny Board's work means that equality issues are addressed.

# Health and Safety

6.1 None directly arising from this report.

#### **Environmental Sustainability**

7.1 None directly arising from this report.

#### **Property and Asset Management**

8.1 Asset management and acquisition implications associated with implementing the recommendations associated with this report would need to be determined by relevant officers following decisions made by Council Cabinet.

#### **Risk Management**

9.1 Risks management implications associated with implementing the recommendations associated with this report would need to be determined by relevant officers following decisions made by Council Cabinet.

# Corporate objectives and priorities for change

10.1 Our aim is to work together so that Derby and its people will enjoy a thriving sustainable economy, good health and well-being and an active cultural life.