

Time began: 4.00pm
Adjourned 5.10pm
Reconvened 5.15pm
Adjourned 6.32pm
Reconvened 6.35pm
Time ended: 7.30pm

COUNCIL CABINET 10 November 2021

Present	Councillor Poulter (Chair) Councillors Barker, Eyre, Hassall, McCristal, Pearce, Smale, Webb and Williams
In attendance	Councillors AW Graves, Lind, Peatfield, Prosser, Repton, Shanker and Skelton Paul Simpson – Chief Executive Rachel North – Strategic Director of Communities and Place Andy Smith – Strategic Director of People Alison Parkin – Director of Financial Services Emily Feenan – Director of Legal, Procurement and Democratic Services Heather Greenan – Director of Policy Insight and Communications Gurmail Nizzer – Director of Children's Integrated Commissioning Ian Fullagar – Head of Strategic Housing Mags Young – Director of Communities and Place Martin Shipley – East Midlands Audit Partnership Neil Cole – KPMG Michael Mousdale – Browne Jacobson Jo Smith – Derbyshire Wildlife Trust

This record of decisions was published on 12 November 2021. The key decisions set out in this record will come into force and may be implemented on the expiry of five clear days unless a key decision is called in.

86/21 Apologies

There were no apologies for absence.

87/21 Late Items

There were no late items.

88/21 Receipt of Petitions

There were no petitions.

89/21 Identification of Urgent Items to which Call In will not apply

There were none.

90/21 Declarations of Interest

Paul Simpson declared that in respect of item 11 – Strategic School Place Planning – Landau Forte College Expansion Proposal that his wife worked at the school and his daughter was a pupil at the school.

91/21 Minutes of the meeting held on 6 October 2021

The minutes of the meeting held on 6 October 2021 were agreed as a correct record.

Matters Referred

92/21 Recommendations from the Executive Scrutiny Board

The Council Cabinet considered a report on Recommendations from the Executive Scrutiny Board. The Executive Scrutiny Board met and discussed items contained within the Council Cabinet Agenda. The report enabled the views and recommendations resulting from these discussions to be formally shared with Council Cabinet. These were submitted to Council Cabinet as Appendix 1, prior to commencement of the meeting.

Decision

To receive the report and consider the recommendations alongside the relevant report.

93/21 Minute Extract from Council - Motion: Access to Raynesway Household Waste Recycling Centre

The Council Cabinet considered a motion from Council relating to the Raynesway Household Waste Recycling Centre which stated that

Despite all the hard work of Council Officers, the problem of fly tipping and keeping our neighbourhoods clean and green is being hampered by over £500,000 cuts to Raynesway Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC). If you are in a poor neighbourhood, can't access online services or are a new tenant who can't pre-book a visit to the recycling centre, it has been made very difficult to recycle and remove bulky waste and general household rubbish easily.

The decision to continue to open Raynesway Recycling Centre, in 2021-22 and beyond, with reduced hours; limiting slots available to each resident householder;

and requiring prebooking online is having a serious and negative impact. Whilst this was necessary at the height of the COVID 19 Pandemic to protect the health of our communities it is unnecessary and unacceptable to continue this now when fly tipping, bulky waste dumping continues to increase and blight our neighbourhoods and City. This policy decision is undermining the green and clean aspirations of the Council, and us all, and contributes to increased concerns of rats and pungent smells being reported in more and more neighbourhoods.

Council therefore requested that Council Cabinet reverse this policy/budget decision and ensure that Raynesway HWRC is brought back to working at least as efficiently and effectively as before COVID 19 emergency measures were introduced by:

1. Re-instating access to the site to at least pre pandemic opening hours
2. Removing the requirement to having access to recycling only through online prebooked slots
3. Removing the limit of slots available for domestic households per year

The Council Cabinet also considered a report which provided an update on Raynesway Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC) following Council Motion: Access to Raynesway Household Waste Recycling Centre on 22 September 2021. The report also provided some background on HWRC usage and information regarding the budget implications of reopening the HWRC as requested.

The Executive Scrutiny Board

1. agreed that the data and information in the Council Cabinet report is not sufficient for the recommendations that have been put forward and resolved to recommend to Council Cabinet that we need to maximise accessibility, online bookings and household waste recycling; and
2. recommended to Council Cabinet that, in recognition of our need for action on the Climate Emergency and for reasons of equality of access for those without cars, that officers look in to how to open up access to the Raynesway Household Waste Recycling Centre site to allow people to bring items on foot and by cycle (including cycle trailers).

Decision

1. To note the report.
2. To continue the method of operation at Raynesway HWRC.
3. To reject the recommendations from the Executive Scrutiny Board because there was sufficient data and it was not safe to have people bringing items on foot.

94/21 Minute Extracts from Children and Young People Board

The Council Cabinet considered 4 minute extracts from the Children and Young People Board.

1. Special Needs Provision - request of the Chair of CYP Scrutiny

Requesting that Derby City Council should have a policy in place to ensure that any SEND school placement proposed or offered to SEND children and young people has the appropriate planning consents authorisations, and registrations in place, particularly from the Council, Department for Education and OFSTED.

2. Review of Holidays, Activities and Food (HAF) Programme over the Summer

Requesting that Council Cabinet agree to hold a full Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) before and to inform the next instalment of the HAF Programme.

3. Monitoring Safeguarding Practice

Requesting Council Cabinet:

To ask the Leader of the Council write to the new Secretary of State for Health and Social Care and urge him to recognise the rising demand that Social Care in Derby City was currently having, particularly in the rising number of referrals and the number of children in care and projection for those and call for appropriate funding to meet that demand.

To reinstate Members Care Home Visits and include Member visits to Out of Area Placements immediately.

4. Demand in Social Care and Placement Sufficiency

Requesting that Council Cabinet ask the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People to write to the new Secretary of State for Health and Social Care and urge him to recognise the rising demand in Social Care in Derby City and to call for an appropriate rise in funding to meet that demand also.

The Executive Scrutiny Board noted the minute extracts.

Decision

1. To note that in respect of Special Needs Provision – request from the Chair of CYP Scrutiny, this had already been completed.

2. To accept the recommendation in relation to the Review of the Holiday's Activities and Food Fund over the Summer.
3. To note that in respect of Monitoring Safeguarding Practice, no additional action was required because this had already been completed and lobbying was on going.
4. To accept the recommendation in relation to Member Care Home Visits.
5. To note that in respect of Demand in Social Care and Placement Sufficiency that this was already being done and lobbying was on going.

Key Decisions

95/21 Future Management of Allestree Park

The Council Cabinet considered a report which sought to determine the arrangements for the future management of Allestree Park.

The Executive Scrutiny Board recommended to Council Cabinet that whatever is planned for Allestree Park, that the historic nature of the golf course is protected and not actively damaged by earth-moving or other archaeology-damaging activities.

Options Considered

1. To do nothing other than to continue with the current maintenance programme for the Park.
2. The preferred option was to progress plans for the rewilding of Allestree Park. The report outlined three indicative options requiring different levels of intervention for delivering the potential benefits. In advance of determining the most appropriate option, it was recommended that a consultation plan be created to ensure that the details of the proposed rewilding of Allestree Park were co-created with key stakeholders and the people of Derby.

Decision

1. That Allestree Park be re-purposed and managed in the future to enhance biodiversity and help combat climate change whilst maintaining public access and helping to improve the health and wellbeing of the people of Derby.
2. That the Council works with Derbyshire Wildlife Trust, supported by Rewilding Britain and the University of Derby to develop and implement a rewilding project at Allestree Park.
3. To carry out a full consultation exercise, informed by a consultation plan, to ensure that the details of the proposed rewilding of Allestree Park are co-

created with key stakeholders and the people of Derby. This would establish detailed proposals for the future management of the Park, to then be considered by the Council Cabinet in due course.

4. To accept the recommendation from Executive Scrutiny Board in relation to Allestree Park, that the historic nature of the golf course is protected and not actively damaged by earth-moving or other archaeology-damaging activities. It was noted that there were no plans which involving either earth moving or other archaeology damaging activities.

Reasons

1. In 2019, Derby City Council declared a Climate Change Emergency, recognising the magnitude of the climate crisis in Derby and committing to play its part in preventing the most devastating impacts of climate change. Rewilding Allestree Park would place Derby as a leader in nature's recovery in an urban setting and demonstrate the commitment of the Council to taking urgent and direct action to address the Climate Crisis.
2. Climate change was driving nature's decline, and the loss of wild places leaves us ill-equipped to reduce carbon emissions and adapt to change. Responding to the climate crisis was not possible without creating more space for nature. The report proposed a rewilding approach at Allestree Park to help tackle these problems synergistically.
3. Allestree Park is the largest open space in Derby. It offers the perfect opportunity to kickstart the development of a wider, more connected Derby that was equipped to tackle the Climate Change Emergency.
4. To deliver several proposed benefits including:
 - Support nature recovery in Derby by providing more space for nature-rich habitats and potential new species reintroductions,
 - Increase the city's carbon storage and sequestering capacity and contribute to the Council's carbon reduction targets,
 - Provide a "Natural Health Service" and facilitate more opportunities for Derby's residents to connect with nature,
 - Make Derby a more vibrant, green, and attractive place to live and visit.

96/21 Strategic School Place Planning – Landau Forte College Expansion Proposal

The Council Cabinet considered a report which stated that the Council has a legal duty to ensure that sufficient school places exist for those pupils residing within its administrative boundary. Following a high level of growth in the primary sector, pupil numbers were now increasing in secondary schools. Secondary school expansions were implemented in September 2018 and September 2019, through

close partnership working with schools and academy trusts, to meet the increasing demand for places.

Current City-wide secondary pupil numbers and projections were set out in Appendix 1 to the report. Based on projections, the peak year for the City-wide Year 7 in-take will be 2023-24. Work had, therefore, taken place to scope a further secondary school expansion proposal, at Landau Forte College (the College), as part of the Council's forward planning to ensure the commissioning of sufficient school places over future years.

The proposed College expansion proposal was an important part of the Council's strategy for ensuring sufficient secondary school places. The school was centrally located and provided an opportunity to create additional capacity that was accessible to pupils living in different areas of the city. The total number of additional secondary school places required, to ensure sufficient places for the peak in-take year of 2023/24, and future years, was as follows:

	Current admission number	Proposed admission number	Increase per Year Group	Increase across Years 7-11
Landau Forte College	196	300	104	520

The Council had worked closely with the College's Trust (Landau Forte Charitable Trust (the Trust)) to bring forward a proposed expansion scheme to add an additional 104 places in each year group, over years 7-11. Full details of the financial implications and capital programme changes required for the scheme were set out in the accompanying confidential report.

In addition, the Trust had given its agreement in principle to increase the College's PAN to 260 from September 2022, as an interim measure, to help increase flexibility in the secondary schools' sector, subject to having sufficient accommodation as the proposed expansion project progresses.

A major capital scheme with a budget cost of £11.936m was proposed to create an additional 520 places at the College. The Council had been working in close partnership with the Trust and there were four principal elements of the scheme:

- The extension and remodelling of the existing College site to provide additional capacity.
- The purchase of an additional site for the construction of a new block containing classrooms and ancillary space.
- The purchase of a second site and the remodelling of the building to provide suitable teaching space for the College.
- The remodelling of existing College space to create a new 15 place SEND unit for children with autism and Social Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) needs, as part of the Local Area SEND strategy.

As set out in the confidential report, the £11.936m funding would consist of:

- £6.707m Basic Need funding for the provision of new school places.

- £0.459m SEND funding.
- £0.309m existing school capital programme funding.
- £3.960m additional Council funding to be met from the MTFP Provision for Future Investment corporate capital budget.
- £0.500m contribution from the Trust.

The Executive Scrutiny Board

1. for reasons of climate change and local traffic management, recommended to Council Cabinet that prior to proceeding with the scheme, a detailed travel plan is undertaken by the Trust and the Council to ensure that travel to the school will be predominantly by public transport.
2. recommended to Council Cabinet that it asks for further information before making a decision on this expansion. This to include:
 1. the carbon footprint of school travel for pupils to Landau Forte compared to other schools in the city, and
 2. the longer term estimates of future pupil numbers (for another three years) to help anticipate if the trend of falling pupil numbers is likely to continue in which case required school capacity may then fall.

And to use this further information to explore whether it would be better to expand a greater number of existing secondary schools by an additional year group rather than put this much expansion into one school.

Options Considered

1. School place planning proposals had been developed with a view to creating additional capacity across schools in the City to accommodate growth in the pupil population. In developing proposals, a range of factors had been considered, including the location of schools and whether school sites allowed for expansion. Following the previous expansion schemes set out in paragraph 4.2 of the report, further expansion options had been considered in detail, including discussions with other schools.
2. Landau Forte College was centrally located and provided an opportunity to create additional capacity in a school that was easily accessible to pupils living in different areas of the city. Following previous Secondary expansions, and careful consideration of future pupil projections and school site capacity, Landau Forte College presented an excellent option to ensure sufficient secondary school places

Decision

1. To approve the revision of the approved 2021/22-2023/24 capital programme and approve commencement of the £11.936m Schools Capital Programme priority scheme at Landau Forte College, as set out in the accompanying confidential report.

2. To approve the award of a grant agreement to Landau Forte Charitable Trust to deliver the capital works associated with this project for an additional 520 secondary places.
3. To approve the allocation of £0.459m in SEND funding for the creation of a new 15 place SEND unit for children with autism and Social Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) needs.
4. Subject to the outcome of the Council's due diligence, to delegate authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources, following consultation with the Director of Children's Integrated Commissioning, to complete site acquisitions and subsequent leases in relation to the College expansion, as set out in the accompanying confidential report.
5. To reject the recommendations from Executive Scrutiny Board because a detailed travel plan would be done as part of the normal process and data would be collected as part of the planning application process. Details of future pupil numbers was set out in the report and the expansion of existing secondary schools had already been completed.

Reasons

1. The proposed expansion scheme was needed to ensure the Council could deliver its statutory duty to provide sufficient school places.
2. In accordance with Financial Procedure Rules, additions to the Council's capital programme not provided for in the approved budget were required to be reported to Council Cabinet, as set out in the accompanying confidential report.

97/21 Padley Centre Relocation

The Council Cabinet considered a report which stated that approval was granted at the July 2020 Council Cabinet, to acquire the Padley Group's assets (Padley House in leasehold ownership and associated storage facility in freehold ownership) as part of the Becketwell Performance Venue area site assembly. A further report was approved at Council Cabinet in March 2021 for a capital grant and secured loan to the Padley Group to fund the acquisition of a replacement community hub and warehouse premises and associated costs.

This report provided an update on progress and set out the rationale for the proposed increased level of financial support that will be given to the Padley Group for the reprovisioning. The report sought approval of the revised funding package to the Padley Group towards their reprovisioning costs and the required changes to the capital programme.

The Executive Scrutiny Board.

1. recommended to Council Cabinet that it ensures that immediate help and support is given to Dubrek Studios to help it successfully relocate and

survive, so that it can continue to play an important role in the cultural life of this city. Such help should include the possibility of applying for an Additional Restrictions Grant (ARG) and any other possible grants or financial support.

2. is concerned that the costs of the Padley relocation are already escalating, primarily due to the new location being potentially over-priced and the property being a very poor state. To ensure that tax payers' money is not wasted, the Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to recommend to Council Cabinet that the permanent relocation should be reviewed prior to proceeding with the purchase, which is facilitated by the need to move to a temporary location; and
3. recommended to Council Cabinet that, if the purchase for the permanent building goes ahead, the Council asks Padley Group to do its best to ensure that the planned improvement work includes sufficient changes to enable the building to be 'zero carbon ready'.

Options Considered

The Council could determine not to increase the level of grant but this would severely restrict the relocation of the Padley Group which would in turn impact the Becketwell Performance Venue project.

Decision

1. To approve the withdrawal of the loan funded element of the Padley Group relocation offer to Padley Trust and replace with additional capital grant.
2. To note that the Council would then be foregoing future capital loan repayments income which would have reduced the overall net cost of the scheme to the Council from the approved budget as was set out in the March 2021 Council Cabinet report, and the security charge would no longer be required.
3. To approve a capital grant increase to the Padley Group to replace the loan and cover the balance of other relocation cost increases after the Padley Trust had contributed towards revenue and capital relocation costs and to make a conditional advanced payment of 25% of the grant to the Padley Group as detailed in paragraph 4.12 of the report.
4. To approve the transfer of budget from the 2021/22 City Centre Masterplan capital budget on the approved capital programme to the Padley Centre Relocation capital budget 2022/23, and the changes to the scheme budget on the capital programme.
5. To approve that the balance of the 2021/22 City Centre Masterplan capital budget be repurposed and held on the 2022/23 capital programme as a Becketwell Area Regeneration capital contingency budget.

6. To delegate authority to the Strategic Director of Communities and Place, following consultation with the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources, to agree any subsequent use of the Becketwell Area Regeneration capital contingency.
7. To note that in respect of recommendation one from the Executive Scrutiny Board it was not appropriate to discuss this at this time.
8. To note that in respect of recommendation two from the Executive Scrutiny Board due diligence had been carried out.
9. To note that in respect of recommendation three from the Executive Scrutiny Board that the Council could encourage the Padley Group to do its best to ensure that the planned improvement work included sufficient changes to enable the building to be 'zero carbon ready' but that it would be for the Padley Group to decide.

Reasons

1. The acquisitions of the Padley Group's interests on Becket Street and relocation of the Padley Group to alternative premises would support the land assembly required for the Becketwell Performance Venue and also allow the Padley Group to realign their delivery model to support the Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy for the city.
2. Estimated costs for the adaptations and improvements required to the alternative premises were higher than was previously anticipated and included in the budget as reported to Council Cabinet in March 2021.

Budget and Policy Framework

98/21 Draft 2021/22 Q2 Financial Monitoring

The Council Cabinet considered a report which summarised the Council's forecasted financial outturn position at 30 September 2021.

Summary

- a) Revenue budget:** The Council was currently forecasting a pressure of £8.113m against our base budget requirement of £255.080m. However this was being mitigated by use of the Covid Reserve, Covid placeholder budgets and the Business Rates smoothing reserve to give a forecast out-turn pressure on the budget risk reserve of £5.408m.

Within this forecast was the expectation that £8.395m savings were delivered against a target of £9.654m included within the 2021/22 budget approved by Council in February 2021.

- b) Capital budget:** Capital expenditure to date was £37.852m and our forecast was estimated at £164.306m against an approved capital budget of £252.748m.
- c) Reserves:** The General Reserve balance remained at £8.933m and our Earmarked Reserves including the budget risk reserve had a future years' forecast balance of £14.191m after taking account of the current forecast overspend of £5.408m. The Council would continue to seek to reduce the in-year overspend and would review the level and need for specific earmarked reserve levels as part of the budget process. This was being facilitated by the introduction of spending panels to review expenditure for from September onwards to ensure essential spend only.
- d) Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG):** The total grant of £272.785m had been allocated to schools and retained educational services. There was an overspend forecast on the High Needs Block of the DSG of £3.8m.
- e) Collection Fund:** Council Tax billed for the 2021/22 financial year was £133.679m of which £71.155m or 53.08% had been collected. Business Rates billed for the 2021/22 financial year was £79.627m of which £38.417m or 48.08% had been collected.
- f) Housing Revenue Account (HRA):** The full year forecast projected a planned use of the HRA reserve of £2.769m.
- g) Performance on sundry debt collection:** As at 30 September 2021 the Council had billed £67m in Sundry Debts and we had collected 93.29%. This indicator measured in a 12 month rolling cycle.
- h) Covid forecast:** The current full year potential forecast pressure for both revenue and capital was £8.324m (see Appendix 3 of the report) after use of Covid reserves, HRA reserves, MTFP Covid placeholder pressures and additional NHS funding allocated to Covid this left a forecast shortfall of £0.762m (shortfall included in forecast outturn overspend detailed in section 6.4.2 of the report). If there were no further changes this shortfall would need to be funded from the budget risk reserve and was included as a commitment within the revenue forecast outturn position.

Further analysis and explanations of key variances were provided in section 4 of the report.

A summary of the net revenue forecast by directorate was set out in the table in paragraph 1.3 of the report.

The Executive Scrutiny Board noted the report.

Decision

1. To note:

- a) The revenue projected outturn and key budget variances set out in the report in section 4.1 with a detailed analysis in Appendix 1 and the savings to be delivered in the year in section 4.2 of the report.
- b) The current forecast Covid spend and funding as set out section 4.3 and in Appendix 3 of the report.
- c) The Council's reserves position, as set out in section 4.4 and Appendix 2 of the report.
- d) The capital programme forecast, and actual capital expenditure incurred during the quarter summarised in section 4.5 of the report.
- e) The changes already approved under scheme of delegation to the capital programme detailed in Appendix 5 of the report.
- f) The forecast Dedicated Schools Grant position summarised in section 4.6 of the report.
- g) The Council Tax and Business Rates Collection performance as set out in section 4.7 of the report.
- h) The Housing Revenue Account performance and projected outturn as set out in section 4.8 of the report.

2. To approve:

- a) To approve changes to the 2020/21 - 2022/23 capital programme outlined in section 4.4 and detailed in Appendix 6 of the report.
- b) To approve business rates write-offs of £1,149,302.74 and housing benefit overpayment write-offs of £67,774.10 as uncollectable outlined in section 4.7.10, with details at Appendix 7 and 8 of the report respectively. A confidential paper was included on the agenda and outlined further detail.

Contract and Financial Procedure Matters

99/21 Compliance with Contract and Financial Procedure Rules

The Council Cabinet considered a report which dealt with the following items which required reporting to and approval by Council Cabinet under the Contract and Financial Procedure Rules.

- Opportunity Area Grant – acceptance of grant of up to £1.369m
- Opportunity Areas Programme - approval of delegated authority for procurements relating to the programme
- Rapid Integrated Independence at Home Team – a bid for Ageing Well Programme of £0.780m and approve delegated authority to accept and allocate funding

- Rapid Integrated Independence at Home – delegate authority to bid, accept and allocate future years funding as part of the NHS Forward Plan 2022/25
- 1 Abbey Yard - declare as surplus to the Council's requirements and delegate authority to agree terms of the disposal of the property
- Household Support Fund - acceptance of funding of £2.224m and allocation as appropriate
- Ravensdale Infant and Nursery School - Use Ravensdale insurance reserve for decanting costs of £0.273m and delegated authority to approve the funding of any variance to this in line with the final agreed insurance settlement
- Holiday Activities and Food Programme - approval to allow planning and implementation of the Winter Holiday Activity and Food Programme working with Community Action Derby and approve the award of a grant of up to £0.485m to Community Action Derby.
- Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) reserve up to a maximum value of £930,000 to complete the High Needs Transformation Programme.
- Award of a contract to Impower for £640,000 (to be funded from DSG reserves as referred to above) as part of the necessary engagement of external specialists to support the delivery of the High Needs Transformation Programme.

The Executive Scrutiny Board noted the report.

Decision

1. To approve the acceptance of the Opportunity Area Grant for Derby for an additional grant of up to £1.369m as outlined in section 4.1 of the report.
2. To approve delegated authority to the Strategic Director of People Services following consultation with the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources and the relevant Cabinet Member for Children and Young People for the spending of Opportunity Area funds through grants and contracts as outlined in section 4.1 of the report.
3. To note a bid to The Ageing Well Programme Board, hosted by Derbyshire & Derby Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), for Ageing Well Programme funding, to provide the Adult Social Care element of the NHS's Urgent Community Response in Derby as outlined in section 4.10 of the report.
4. To approve delegated authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources and the Strategic Director of People Services, following consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member for Adults, Health & Housing, to agree acceptable terms, as appropriate, and accept the Ageing Well Programme funding as outlined in section 4.10 of the report.

5. To approve delegated authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources and the Strategic Director of People Services, following consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member for Adults, Health & Housing, to allocate the 2021/22 Ageing Well Programme funding of £0.780m in line with Derby & Derbyshire CCG terms as outlined in section 4.10 of the report.
6. To approve delegated authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources and the Strategic Director of People Services, following consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member for Adults, Health & Housing, to bid for, accept and allocate future Ageing Well Programme funding as part of the NHS Forward Plan 2022/25 for the purpose of delivering the Adults Social Care element of NHS's Urgent Community Response as outlined in section 4.10 of the report.
7. To approve 1 Abbey Yard, Darley Abbey, Derby DE22 1DS as surplus to the Council's requirements as outlined in section 4.20 of the report.
8. To approve the delegated authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member for Finance, Assets and Digital, to agree the terms for the disposal of the property as outlined in section 4.20 of the report.
9. To approve the acceptance of funding of £2.224m for Household Support funding as outlined in section 4.25 of the report.
10. To approve delegated authority to the Strategic Director for Peoples Service following consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member for Children, to approve the Council commencement of a compliant procurement process and award of a contract to a suitable provider to support the voucher scheme outlined in section 4.25 of the report, for the period of 1 year with a possible extension of a further 1 year to a maximum contract value of £7m, subject to receipt of further funding.
11. To approve delegated authority to the Strategic Director for People Services following consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Skills, to award grants to the Voluntary Sector in Derby via Community Action Derby as outlined in section 4.25 of the report.
12. To approve the use of the Ravensdale Fire Insurance Reserve to fund indicative revenue decanting costs agreed in principle with the Council's insurers of £0.273m as outlined in section 4.32 of the report.
13. To approve the delegated authority to the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources, following consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member, to approve the funding of any variance in final decanting costs above the indicative estimate of £0.273m from the Ravensdale insurance reserve, in line with the final agreed decanting insurance settlement as outlined in section 4.32 of the report.
14. To note the acceptance of a Department for Education (DfE) contingency grant of £0.126m for the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme Grant 2021 for the Winter Programme as outlined in section 4.37 of the report.

15. To agree that Community Action Derby (CAD) will continue to administer, fund and liaise with delivery partners to ensure access to holiday, activities and food support for children at eligible for free school meals and approve the award of a grant of up to £0.485m to CAD as outlined in section 4.37 of the report.
16. To approve the use of the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) reserve up to a maximum value of £930,000 to complete the High Needs Transformation Programme.
17. To approve the award of a contract to Impower for £640,000 (to be funded from DSG reserves as referred to in paragraph 2.16 of the report as part of the necessary engagement of external specialists to support the delivery of the High Needs Transformation Programme.

Performance

100/21 Performance Monitoring - Quarter 2 2021/22

The Council Cabinet considered a report which stated that the Council's Recovery Plan for 2021/22 was approved by Council Cabinet in February 2021. This report presented a consolidated overview of performance in line with commitments made in the Recovery Plan, bringing together priority performance measures, projects and strategic risks.

A commitment was made to making the Recovery Plan dynamic on approval, ensuring that it remained fit for purpose. Some minor amendments had been requested by Lead Officers, set out in paragraph 4.4 of the report.

As reporting processes had progressed, and baselines were in place for most areas, targets had been identified for appropriate measures contained within the Plan and were presented for approval alongside being included within quarter two reporting (Appendices 1 and 2 of the report).

A summary of key performance highlights covering the period of July 2021 to September 2021 (quarter two) could be found in paragraph 4.10, with details of key achievements presented within paragraph 4.11 of the report. Areas for further work were detailed within paragraphs 4.12 to 4.16, and a full overview of progress against the Recovery Plan was available in Appendix 1 of the report.

There were no areas identified for a Performance Surgery based on outturns at the end of September 2021, however two strategic risks would be the subject of targeted reviews during quarter three, and updates would be presented to the Executive Scrutiny Board on the following areas:

- demand and the impacts of COVID-19 on services in November 2021, and
- the Capital programme and our priority projects in December 2021.

The Executive Scrutiny Board noted the report

Decision

1. To approve the amendments recommended to the Plan, as presented in paragraph 4.4 of the report.
2. To approve the targets set for the measures contained within the Recovery Plan (Appendix 2) of the report.
3. To note the latest performance position, paying particular attention to the latest profile of our strategic risks and emerging priorities for improvement.
4. To note the in-quarter activities set out in paragraph 4.17 of the report, that had been completed to provide assurances on our strategic risk controls, with further activities scheduled for quarter three.
5. To note that no performance measures were recommended for consideration via a Performance Surgery, but updates would be provided to Executive Scrutiny Board in line with their Performance Plan (paragraph 1.5 of the report).

101/21 Exclusion of the Press and Public

Resolved that under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during discussion of the following items on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 and 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

Key Decisions

102/21 Strategic School Place Planning – Landau Forte College Expansion Proposal

The Council Cabinet considered a report which set out the financial implications and sought approvals to update the Council's approved Capital Programme, following the proposal to expand Landau Forte College (the College), as set out in the accompanying public Council Cabinet report.

The Executive Scrutiny Board noted the report.

Options Considered

These were set out in paragraph 6.1 of the report.

Decision

To approve the recommendations sets out in paragraphs 2.1 to 2.5 of the report.

Reasons

These were set out in paragraphs 3.1 and 3.2 of the report.

103/21 Padley Centre Relocation

The Council Cabinet considered exempt information in relation to the relocation of the Padley Centre.

The Executive Scrutiny Board noted the report.

Options Considered

These were set out in paragraph 6.1 of the report.

Decision

To approve the recommendations set out in paragraphs 2.1 to 2.6 of the report.

Reasons

These were set out in paragraphs 3.1 to 3.3 of the report.

104/21 Long Term Waste Management Project Update

The Council Cabinet considered a report which updated Council Cabinet on developments with the Long Term Waste Management Project.

The Executive Scrutiny Board noted the report.

Options Considered

These were set out in paragraph 6.1 of the report.

Decision

To approve the recommendations set out in paragraphs 2.1 to 2.3 of the report.

Reasons

These were set out in paragraphs 3.1 to 3.3 of the report.

Budget and Policy Framework

105/21 Business Rates and Housing Benefit Overpayments write-offs – Addendum paper to the Draft 2021/22 Q2 Financial Monitoring report

The Council Cabinet considered exempt information in relation to the 2021/22 Quarter 2 Financial Monitoring and Medium Term Financial Strategy Update.

The Executive Scrutiny Board noted the report.

MINUTES END