

Time Commenced – 5.00pm
Time Finished – 6.40pm

Executive Scrutiny Board

14 March 2023

Present: Councillor Repton (Chair)
Councillors Care, Carr, Dhindsa, Jennings, Martin, Potter,
Roulstone, Whitby

In attendance: Pauline Anderson – Director of Learning, Inclusion and Skills
Sarah Banks – Principal Project Co-ordinator
Verna Bayliss – Director of Planning, Transportation and
Engineering
Nigel Brien – Head of Traffic and Transportation
Ian Fullagar – Head of Strategic Housing
Kirsty McMillan – Director of Integration & Direct Services
(Adults)
Steven Mason – Democratic Services Officer
Alison Parkin – Director of Financial Services
Catherine Williams – Head of City, Development and Growth

84/22 Apologies for Absence

There were none.

85/22 Late Items

There were none.

86/22 Declarations of Interest

There were none.

87/22 Minutes of the meetings held on 14 February 2023 and 1 March 2023

The minutes of the meetings held on 14 February 2023 and 1 March 2023
were agreed as a correct record.

88/22 Forward Plan

The Board considered the contents of the Forward Plan published on 14
February 2023 and 14 March 2023.

No items were added to the future work programme.

Resolved to note the Forward Plan.

89/22 Council Cabinet Responses to Scrutiny Recommendations

The Board considered a report of the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources which allowed the Scrutiny Board to receive responses from Council Cabinet on recommendations made at the previous Board meeting on 15 February 2023.

The Board resolved to note the report.

90/22 Council Cabinet Agenda

The Board considered a report of the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources on the Council Cabinet Agenda. Members considered the Council Cabinet agenda in its entirety for the meeting scheduled for Wednesday 15 March 2023.

Key Decisions

Our City Our River (OCOR) Update on Derby Riverside

The Board received a report of the Strategic Director of Communities and Place on Our City Our River (OCOR) Update on Derby Riverside.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

Redevelopment of Drewry Lane Car Park

The Board received a report of the Director of City Development and Growth on Redevelopment of Drewry Lane Car Park.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

Infrastructure Programme Board Capital Programmes 2023/24

The Board received a report of the Strategic Director of Communities and Place on Infrastructure Programme Board Capital Programmes 2023/24.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to make the following recommendation to Council Cabinet:

To ask Council Cabinet to arrange for the ‘five year cycle’ to be a rolling programme with annual updates, not a fixed five year period followed by another five year programme, so that there is greater ease to balance workloads and respond to changing priorities.

Adult Social Care Fees and Charges 2023/24

The Board received a report of the Strategic Director of People Services on Adult Social Care Fees and Charges 2023/24.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

Statutory Consultation on the Future Viability of Ashgate Nursery School

The Board received a report of the Strategic Director of People Services on Statutory Consultation on the Future Viability of Ashgate Nursery School.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to make the following recommendations to Council Cabinet:

- 1. In light of the overwhelming opposition to the controversial proposal and the evidence contained in the report, any closure plan simply cannot be justified. We therefore recommend that Council Cabinet immediately removes the threat of closure of the much loved nursery and ends the worry and concern that many families and children are currently experiencing.**
- 2. To ask Council Cabinet to ensure that there is good recognition of the Early Years Inclusion Fund by all early years providers in Derby to help ensure young children with emerging SEND are able to remain in a stable learning setting.**

Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) 'Living My Best Life', Capital Programme in Derby Phase 2

The Board received a report of the Strategic Director of People Services on Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) 'Living My Best Life', Capital Programme in Derby Phase 2.

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 Director of Financial Services on Compliance with Contract and Financial Procedure Rules.

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

- Proposed additional capital works at Peartree Infant School and Walbrook Nursery School and associated funding

- Acceptance of the 2023/24 award for the Household Support Fund and associated delegated authority
- Submission of bids to Round 2 of the One Public Estates (OPE) Brownfield Land Release Fund (BLRF2).

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

Exclusion of Press and Public

A resolution to exclude the press and public was put to the vote and carried.

The Board 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 item on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 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

Redevelopment of Drewry Lane Car Park

The Board received exempt detail in the report of the Director of City Development and Growth on Redevelopment of Drewry Lane Car Park.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

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