

DECISIONS BY CABINET 26th September 2011

On consideration of the following reports, Cabinet on the 26th September 2011 agreed the following:

In accordance with the Education Acts and having had regard to s2 Local Government Act 2000 and the provisions of the Community Strategy:

SECONDARY SCHOOL ESTATE PROGRAMME 2011/12

- (i) To vire, in accordance with the Financial Procedure Rules, a sum of £4,500,000 from the Secondary School Estate Capital budget to the following schemes:
- £650,000 Bitterne Park Capital Investment
 - £670,000 Chamberlayne College Capital Investment
 - £650,000 Regents Park Capital Investment
 - £575,000 Sholing Tech. Capital Investment
 - £600,000 St. Anne's Capital Investment
 - £520,000 St. George Capital Investment
 - £485,000 Upper Shirley High Capital Investment
 - £350,000 Secondary Investment Programme Contingency
- (ii) To approve, in accordance with Financial Procedure Rules, capital expenditure of £4,500,000 from the Children's Services & Learning Capital Programme, for investment in the secondary school estate.

PARKING STANDARDS SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT (SPD)

- (i) To approve and adopt the Parking Standards Supplementary Planning Document

TOWN DEPOT – CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FOR DEMOLITION

- (i) To approve in accordance with Financial Procedure Rules capital expenditure of £550,000 phased approx. £250,000 in 2011/12 and approx. £300,000 in 2012/13.
- (ii) That the Head of Property and Procurement is granted Delegated Powers to vary the scope and programme of the work following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Resources, Leisure and Culture within the overall budget parameters of the scheme.
- (iii) To delegate authority to the Chief Financial Officer, following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Resources, Leisure and Culture to approve additional expenditure of £100,000 for the demolition and associated costs, bringing the total scheme up to a maximum of £650,000.

DISPOSAL OF THE FORMER EASTPOINT CENTRE FOR TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT USES

Having complied with paragraph 15 of the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules:

- (i) To approve the terms of disposal as set out of this report.
- (ii) To delegate the detailed terms of disposal to the Director of Economic Development after consultation with the Head of Property and Procurement and the Head of Legal Democratic Services

DECISIONS BY CABINET 24th October 2011

On consideration of the following reports, Cabinet on the 24th October 2011 agreed the following:

RESPONSE TO THE SCRUTINY INQUIRY REPORT ON PRIMARY SCHOOL EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

- (i) To approve the response to the Scrutiny Inquiry.

INTEGRATION OF WESSEX YOUTH OFFENDING TEAM OPERATIONS FOR SOUTHAMPTON WITHIN SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL FROM APRIL 2012, INCORPORATING THE ANNUAL YOUTH JUSTICES PLAN

- (i) To recommend the Wessex Youth Justice Plan 2011/12 to Council for approval as part of the Policy Framework.
- (ii) To delegate authority to the Executive Director of Children's Services and Learning to do anything necessary to support, plan and implement the discontinuance of the Wessex YOT partnership and the integration of YOT operations into the City Council from 2012/13 within approved budgets.

JOINT WORK WITH THE ISLE OF WIGHT TO PROVIDE SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT AND EDUCATION RELATED SERVICES

- (i) To agree to the development of a working relationship with the Isle of Wight Council to provide school improvement and related education functions for an initial period covering the academic year 2011/12
- (ii) To delegate authority to the Executive Director of Children's Services and Learning following consultation with the Interim Head of Legal and Democratic Services to do anything necessary to support, plan and implement the collaborative working arrangements.

HAMPSHIRE MINERALS AND WASTE PLAN: SUBMISSION

- (i) To approve the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Plan, as Appendix 1, for public consultation and submission to the Secretary of State.

- (ii) To delegate to the Head of Planning and Sustainability, following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport, to make changes to the Plan prior to its submission; or to recommend changes to the examination inspector; provided these are minor changes or changes which do not affect Southampton.

CONFIRMATION OF AN ARTICLE 4(1) DIRECTION

- (i) To note and consider the consultation responses received during the extended consultation period.
- (ii) To confirm that the introduction of an Article 4(1) on a City wide basis to withdraw the permitted development rights to convert a dwellinghouse (C3) to a House in Multiple Occupation (C4) is appropriate from the effective date of 23rd March 2012.
- (iii) To delegate authority to the Head of Legal and Democratic Services to notify the Secretary of State in accordance with statutory requirements and to take all other action considered necessary or expedient to give effect to the matters set out in this report.

RESPONSE TO THE SCRUTINY INQUIRY REPORT ON INCREASING CRUISE SHIP PASSENGER SPEND IN SOUTHAMPTON

- (i) That Cabinet approve the responses to the recommendations as detailed in Appendix 1.
- (ii) That the role of co-ordinating actions of various relevant departments within the Council and securing participation of external organisations and the private sector be delegated to the Director of Economic Development.
- (ii) To delegate authority to the Director of Economic Development to negotiate and look to other departments for supporting resources with regard to prioritising and implementing these recommendations

HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT SELF FINANCING: REFORM OF COUNCIL HOUSING FINANCE

- (i) To consider and agree the recommendations to Council

GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET 2012/12 TO 2014/15

- (i) Note the Executive's Policy Priorities contained in Appendix 1.
- (ii) Approve the consultation proposals and methodology set out in Paragraphs 4 and 5 and Appendix 2 of this report and that delegated authority be given to the Senior Manager – Communications, following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Leisure, Culture & Resources to fine tune and implement the consultation proposals and methodology.

- (iii) Note the high level forecast for the General Fund for 2012/13 and the underlying assumptions contained in Appendix 3.
- (iv) Note that the Executive's budget proposals for consultation are based on the assumption that they will recommend a Council Tax freeze to Full Council.
- (v) Note the Executive's proposals put forward for consultation in Appendix 4.
- (vi) Delegate authority to the Chief Executive as Head of Paid Service in consultation with the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and the Solicitor to the Council to explore the proposed changes to the current Discretionary Severance Policy (i.e. redundancy policy) in consultation with staff and the Trade Unions in the light of the financial position of the Council and the priority being placed on protecting jobs and services.
- (vii) Note the medium term financial forecast for 2012/13 to 2014/15 contained in Appendix 5.
- (viii) Approve the updated budget setting timetable contained in Appendix 6.
- (ix) Delegate authority to the CFO, following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Leisure, Culture & Resources to do anything necessary to give effect to the proposals contained in this report.
- (x) Confirm an ongoing external recruitment freeze to all non essential posts.
- (xi) Agree to put in place a moratorium on all non essential expenditure for the remainder of the financial year.

LAND AT YEOVIL CHASE, HAREFIELD, SOUTHAMPTON

- (i) To approve the principle of the sale of the Council's freehold interest in the land shown in Appendix 1, Plan V3186.
- (ii) To delegate authority to the Head of Property and Procurement after consultation with the Director for Corporate Services and the Cabinet Member for Resources, Leisure and Culture to approve the preferred bidder, agree terms of the sale and carry out all ancillary matters to enable disposal of the site.
- (iii) To delegate authority to the Head of Children's Services and Learning Infrastructure and Strategy, after consultation with Head of Property and Procurement and Director of Corporate Services, to approve the expenditure of any surplus capital receipt as directed by the Department of Education conditions regarding the disposal of the playing field.

PROPOSED SHARED PROVISION OF INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICES WITH HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL AND WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

- (i) To agree in principle to support the establishment of an Internal

Audit shared service partnership with Hampshire County Council and West Sussex County Council, with Hampshire acting as host authority

- (ii) That the Head of Finance (CFO) be given delegated authority to:
 - (a) continue to explore the setting up of a partnership, and
 - (b) subject to ensuring that the partnership will be at a minimum cost neutral or a saving to the Council and in consultation with the Head of Legal and Democratic Services, to enter into a Partnership Agreement with Hampshire County Council and West Sussex County Council for the provision of a joint internal audit services function with effect from 1 April 2012 upon such terms and conditions as the Head of Finance (CFO) considers appropriate and reasonable
- (iii) That following the signing of the Partnership Agreement and on commencement of arrangements that internal audit staff (as detailed in exempt Appendix 1) be transferred under TUPE to Hampshire County Council

MILLBROOK TRADING ESTATE – DISPOSAL OF FREEHOLD INVESTMENT

- (i) To approve the sale of the freehold investment in the Millbrook Trading Estate to the recommended bidder on the revised basis as set out in Confidential Appendix 2 and to delegate authority to Head of Property & Procurement to negotiate final details of sale and to accept the next best bid in the event of the selected bidder not proceeding and to continue such process as necessary.
- (ii) That the Head of Legal, HR and Democratic Services be authorised to enter into any legal documentation necessary in respect of the sale.
- (iii) To note that the capital receipt will be used to reduce the current funding deficit in the capital programme.

POTENTIAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY MEASURES

- (i) Subject to Council approving the new HRA capital programme at its meeting on 16 November, to approve in accordance with Financial Procedure Rules, spending of £3M (phased £498,000 in 2011/12 and £2,502,000 in 2012/13) on the central heating distribution system and related works at Oslo, Havre, Copenhagen and Hampton Towers, utilising the funding in the HRA capital programme currently shown under the heading "International Way Cladding".
- (ii) To note that this is a contribution towards a larger scheme that provides significant structural and environmental improvements to these blocks in a key area of the City including new windows, heating, and external insulation as well as the installation of energy saving Photo-Voltaic (PV) panels on roof tops