

SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE DECISION MAKING

RECORD OF THE DECISION MAKING HELD ON 15 NOVEMBER 2022

Present:

Councillor Kaur	-	Leader of the Council
Councillor Dr Paffey	-	Cabinet Member for Children and Learning
Councillor Bogle	-	Cabinet Member for Economic Development
Councillor Fielker	-	Cabinet Member for Health, Adults and Leisure
Councillor Leggett	-	Cabinet Member for Finance and Change
Councillor Kataria	-	Cabinet Member for Communities and Customer Engagement
Councillor Keogh	-	Cabinet Member for Transport and District Regeneration
Councillor Mitchell	-	Cabinet Member for Housing and the Green Environment

Apologies: Councillor Renyard

32. EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS

Cabinet approved the following appointments:

Hampshire Partnership – Cllr Fitzhenry to replace Cllr Guthrie
Local Government Association – Cllr Fitzhenry to replace Cllr Guthrie
Partnership for South Hampshire – Overview and Scrutiny Committee – Cllr Fitzhenry to replace Cllr Guthrie

33. CORPORATE PLAN

DECISION MADE: (CAB 22/23 34050)

On consideration of the report of the Leader of the Council, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) To approve the Corporate Plan 2022-2030 as attached in Appendix 1.
- (ii) To delegate authority to the Chief Executive to make minor amendments to the Corporate Plan after consultation with the Leader.

34. COURT LEET PRESENTMENTS 2022

DECISION MADE: (CAB 22/23 35603)

On consideration of the report of the Leader of the Council, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) That the initial officer responses to the Presentments approved by the Court Leet Jury, as set out in Appendix 1, be noted; and
- (ii) that individual Cabinet Members ensure responses are made to Presenters regarding presentments within their portfolios as appropriate and as soon as practically possible.

35. FINANCIAL MONITORING FOR THE PERIOD TO THE END OF SEPTEMBER 2022

DECISION MADE: (CAB 22/23 35476)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Finance and Change, Cabinet agreed the following:

General Revenue Fund

It is recommended that Cabinet:

- (i) Notes the forecast outturn position is a £9.59M deficit, after taking account of £4.02M agreed in-year savings, as outlined in paragraph 4 and in paragraph 1 of appendix 1.
- (ii) Notes the performance of treasury management, and financial outlook in paragraphs 5 to 8 of appendix 1.
- (iii) Notes the forecast year end position for reserves and balances as detailed in paragraphs 9 and 10 of appendix 1.
- (iv) Notes the Key Financial Risk Register as detailed in paragraph 11 of appendix 1.
- (v) Notes the performance against the financial health indicators detailed in paragraphs 15 and 16 of appendix 1.
- (vi) Notes the forecast outturn position outlined in the Collection Fund Statement detailed in paragraphs 19 to 22 of appendix 1.

Housing Revenue Account

It is recommended that Cabinet:

- (vii) Notes the forecast outturn position is a nil variance against budget as outlined in paragraph 5 and paragraph 17 of appendix 1.

Capital Programme

It is recommended that Cabinet:

- (viii) Notes the revised General Fund Capital Programme, which totals £353.13M as detailed in paragraph 1 of appendix 2.
- (ix) Notes the HRA Capital Programme is £267.12M as detailed in paragraph 1 of appendix 2.
- (x) Approves the addition of £1.32M to the Economic Development programme, along with approval to spend, as detailed in paragraph 4 of appendix 2.
- (xi) Approves the reduction of £0.25M to the Communities & Customer Engagement programme, as detailed in paragraph 5 of appendix 2.
- (xii) Approves the net reduction of £7.11M to the Finance & Change programme, as detailed in paragraphs 6-8 of appendix 2.
- (xiii) Approves the reduction of £0.50M to the Health, Adults & Leisure programme, as detailed in paragraph 9 of appendix 2.
- (xiv) Approves the net reduction of £1.30M to the Housing & Green Environment programme, as detailed in paragraphs 10 and 11 of appendix 2.

- (xv) Approves the addition of £0.5M to the Safer City programme, along with approval to spend, as detailed in paragraph 12 of appendix 2.
- (xvi) Approves the net addition of £0.38M to the Transport & District Regeneration programme, along with approval to spend, as detailed in paragraphs 13-16 of appendix 2.
- (xvii) Approves slippage and rephasing of £18.69M (£14.95M of General Fund and £3.74M of HRA) as detailed in paragraphs 17 and 18 of appendix 2. Noting that the movement has zero net movement over the 5-year programme.
- (xviii) Notes that the overall forecast position for 2022/23 at quarter 2 is £162.99M, resulting in a potential surplus of £5.42M, as detailed in paragraphs 19 and 20 of appendix 2.
- (xix) Notes that the capital programme remains fully funded up to 2026/27 based on the latest forecast of available resources although the forecast can be subject to change; most notably regarding the value and timing of anticipated capital receipts and the use of prudent assumptions of future government grants to be received.

36. PLACE BASED GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS

DECISION MADE: (CAB 22/23 35713)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Health, Adults and Leisure, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) The Joint Commissioning Board is renamed as the Southampton Health & Care Partnership Board.
- (ii) That the membership of the board is constituted of the following from November 2022:
 - DASS & Cabinet Member of Health, Adults and Leisure
 - DCS & Cabinet Member of Children's Services
 - Director of Public Health
 - Leader of the Council
 - Clinical Director for Southampton Place – HIOW ICB
 - Place Director for Southampton – HIOW ICB
- (iii) That by April 2023 the membership is constituted of those in (ii) and the following additional representatives:
 - Senior Representative of UHS
 - Senior Representative of Solent
 - Senior Representative of Southern
 - Service User & Carers Voice
 - Voluntary Sector Representative
 - Children's Social Care Provider Representative
 - Adult Social Care Provider Representative
- (iv) That any further changes to the Terms of Reference are delegated to the Director Legal and Business Services following consultation with Cabinet Member for Health, Adults and Leisure to approve on behalf of the Council.

37. INTRODUCTION OF FEES FOR COUNCIL'S PUBLIC ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGERS

DECISION MADE: (CAB 22/23 35417)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Housing and the Green Environment, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) To end the free to use offer at SCC's public EV chargers and introduce a fee-paying service at an introductory rate of £0.45/kwh (inclusive of VAT) from the 12th December 2022. Future fees will be reviewed routinely and updated where necessary to ensure income is aligned with costs.
- (ii) For those chargers SCC currently provides for the dedicated use by SCC licensed taxi and private hire vehicles, to delegate authority to the Executive Director of Place, following consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member, to relax the current access restriction and/or introduce fees at a future date and when satisfied that this sector has sufficient charging infrastructure available to support its transition to EV's.

38. SACRE - ANNUAL REVIEW OF CONSTITUTION

DECISION MADE: (CAB 22/23 35741)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Children and Learning, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) To recommend Southampton City Council Cabinet approve the amended Constitution for SACRE attached at Appendix 1 including the addition of a Humanist voting member in Group A as well as retaining an annually reviewed membership representative for a member with no specific religious affiliation. recognising secular representation as a 'belief' within the meaning of the Human Rights Act 1998 and accurately reflecting the changing nature of religious and non-religious beliefs in current society and the Southampton area.
- (ii) To note Cabinet will be asked to delegate authority to the Executive Director of Wellbeing, following consultation with the Chair of Sacre to agree an application process and determine any applications / appoint members to the vacancies approved in (i) above.
- (iii) To note Cabinet will be asked to delegate authority to the Executive Director of Wellbeing, following consultation with the Chair of Sacre to carry out a further review of SACRE membership once the Census 2021 data has been published in 2023 and to bring back any further recommendations on Membership changes to the next annual review of the SACRE Constitution in November 2023.

39. TOWNHILL PARK REGENERATION: ROWLANDS WALK COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER

DECISION MADE: (CAB 22/23 35446)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Housing and the Green Environment, having considered the amendment to the report,

Cabinet agreed the following:

Since this paper was drafted, the Council has now completed the purchase of 77 Rowlands Walk and now has vacant possession of the property. Completion took place on 20th October 2022. The amount paid was equal to the level of the independent valuation referred to in this report. However, we wish to continue with the recommendation that the Council seeks a Compulsory Purchase Order with a view to ensuring we can purchase the remaining leasehold interest in the Rowlands Walk blocks.

- (i) To approve making a compulsory purchase order pursuant to section 226(1)(a) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and section 13(1) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 for the acquisition of land and rights for the purposes of securing the regeneration and redevelopment of land within Plot 9 comprising the demolition of the Rowlands Walk blocks and the erection of new housing accommodation.
- (ii) To authorise the Executive Director for Communities, Culture and Homes following consultation with the Director of Legal and Business Services to carry out the functions set out in (c), (d), (g) and to authorise the Director for Legal and Business Services to carry out the functions set out in (a), (b), (e) and (f) below:
 - a. To take all steps to secure the making, confirmation, and implementation of the Compulsory Purchase Order (“Order”) including the publication and service of all notices and the promotion of the Council’s case at any public inquiry;
 - b. To make any amendments, deletions or additions to the land identified in this report to be subject to the Order (“Order Land”) as to include and describe all interests in land and rights required to facilitate the carrying out of the redevelopment and regeneration of Plot 9 of Townhill Park;
 - c. To identify and acquire interests and new rights required to facilitate delivery of the redevelopment and regeneration of Plot 9 Townhill Park either by agreement or compulsorily pursuant to the Order including conduct of negotiations, making provision for the payment of compensation;
 - d. To negotiate, agree terms and enter into agreements with interested parties including the withdrawal of objections to the Order and/or undertakings not to enforce the Order on specified terms, including where appropriate removing land or rights from the Order, making provision for the payment of compensation and/or relocation;
 - e. In the event the Order is confirmed by the Secretary of State, to advertise and give notice of confirmation and thereafter to take all steps to implement the Order;
 - f. To take all steps in relation to any legal proceedings relating to the Order including defending or settling claims referred to the Lands Tribunal and/or applications to the courts and any appeals; and
 - g. To retain and/or appoint external professional advisers and consultants to assist in facilitating the promotion, confirmation and

implementation of the Order, the settlement of compensation and any other claims or disputes.