

Cabinet

Decision list

Monday, 15 January 2024

The call-in has expired and the decisions can be implemented.

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<p>TEACHING COMMISSION</p> <p>(Item 4 on the agenda) Ward(s): All Wards</p> <p><u>Agreed:</u></p> <p>For Cabinet to note and comment on the recommendations produced by the Teaching Commission. The Teaching Commission report is attached as Appendix A.</p> <p><u>Reason for decision:</u> As set out in the report.</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Children and Education (Councillor Alex Sanderson)</p>
<p>ALTERNATIVE PROVISION (AP) STRATEGY</p> <p>(Item 5 on the agenda) Ward(s): All Wards</p> <p><u>Agreed:</u></p> <p>That Cabinet approves the Alternative Provision (AP) Strategy attached at Appendix 1.</p> <p><u>Reason for decision:</u> As set out in the report.</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Children and Education (Councillor Alex Sanderson)</p>
<p>COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT SCHEME 2024/25</p> <p>(Item 6 on the agenda) Ward(s): All Wards</p> <p><u>Agreed:</u></p> <p>It is recommended that Cabinet agrees the following recommendations to be approved by Full Council:</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Finance and Reform (Councillor Rowan Ree)</p>

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<p>1. That the Council Tax Support Scheme in operation in 2023/2024 (included at Appendix 1) shall continue in 2024/2025.</p> <p>2. That the Council shall apply the annual uprating of allowances, applicable amounts and income, set out in the DWP Housing Benefit circular, to the Council Tax Support scheme for 2024/2025.</p> <p>3. That the Council shall re-affirm the discretionary disregards for War Pensions and War Widow(er)'s Pensions in order to safeguard the finances of war pensioners and war widow(er)s in both the Housing Benefit Scheme and the Council Tax Support Scheme.</p> <p><u>Reason for decision:</u> As set out in the report.</p>	
<p>COUNCIL TAX BASE AND COLLECTION RATE 2024/25 AND DELEGATION OF THE BUSINESS RATE ESTIMATE</p> <p>(Item 7 on the agenda) Ward(s): All Wards</p> <p><u>Agreed:</u></p> <p>That Cabinet agrees to refer this report to Full Council and recommend approval by Full Council for the financial year 2024/25 of:</p> <p>a. The estimated numbers of properties for each Valuation Band as set out in this report.</p> <p>b. An estimated collection rate of 97.0%.</p> <p>c. The Council Tax Base of 86,113 Band "D" equivalent properties.</p> <p>d. The delegation of authority to the Strategic Director of Finance to determine the business rates tax base for 2024/25.</p> <p>e. That the Council charge the full relevant Council Tax premium allowed on dwellings unoccupied and substantially unfurnished for a continuous period of at least one year and properties designated as second homes, as soon as the legislation allows.</p> <p><u>Reason for decision:</u> As set out in the report.</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Finance and Reform (Councillor Rowan Ree)</p>

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<p>CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITOR & BUDGET VARIATIONS, 2023/24 (SECOND QUARTER)</p> <p>(Item 8 on the agenda) Ward(s): All Wards</p> <p><u>Agreed:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To note the net increase in forecast capital expenditure of £16.1m for 2023/24. 2. To approve the updated four-year capital programme for 2023-2027 of £662.2m as detailed in Appendix 1. 3. To approve additional £3.2m budget for capital works on various schools' sites, funded from schools' capital grants, as detailed in paragraphs 12-14. 4. To note the potential risks regarding the General Fund Programme, as summarised in paragraphs 23-28. 5. To note the potential risks regarding the Housing Capital Programme, as summarised in paragraphs 29-33. 6. To note prudential indicators presented in Appendix 5, as per Prudential Code requirements. <p><u>Reason for decision:</u> As set out in the report.</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Finance and Reform (Councillor Rowan Ree)</p>
<p>REVENUE BUDGET REVIEW 2023/24 - MONTH 6 (SEPTEMBER 2023)</p> <p>(Item 9 on the agenda) Ward(s): All Wards</p> <p><u>Agreed:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To delegate authority to the Strategic Director of Finance, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Reform, to take all decisions necessary to facilitate the closing of the final accounts. 2. To note the General Fund financial forecast at month 6. 3. To note that the position on the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) as set out in paragraph 12. 4. To note the in-year Dedicated Schools Grant High Needs Block forecasted surplus of £0.401m (thereby reducing the cumulative 	<p>Cabinet Member for Finance and Reform (Councillor Rowan Ree)</p>

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<p>deficit).</p> <p>5. To approve General Fund budget changes totalling £0.061m as detailed in Appendix 10. This is being funded using one-off use of earmarked reserves.</p> <p>6. To approve the proposal to refund to council tenants, the commission on the collection of water charges as set out in paragraph 14 of this report.</p> <p><u>Reason for decision:</u> As set out in the report.</p>	
<p>ANNUAL EMERGENCY PLANNING & BUSINESS CONTINUITY REPORT</p> <p>(Item 10 on the agenda) Ward(s): All Wards</p> <p><u>Agreed:</u></p> <p>1. That Cabinet notes the report which looks back on work undertaken over the last 12 months (running 01/10/22 to 30/09/23) and the dynamic work plan for the remainder of 2023/2024.</p> <p>2. To note that there are no actions requested of Cabinet in this report.</p> <p><u>Reason for decision:</u> As set out in the report.</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Social Inclusion and Community Safety (Councillor Rebecca Harvey)</p>
<p>SERIOUS VIOLENCE DUTY - STRATEGY AND STRATEGIC NEEDS ASSESSMENT</p> <p>(Item 11 on the agenda) Ward(s): All Wards</p> <p><u>Agreed:</u></p> <p>1. That approval be given to the contents and publication of Hammersmith & Fulham's Serious Violence Duty Strategy.</p> <p>2. To note that once the Strategy has been approved an accessible version of the strategy will be developed to be published at the same time.</p> <p><u>Reason for decision:</u> As set out in the report.</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Social Inclusion and Community Safety (Councillor Rebecca Harvey)</p>

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<p>DECISION TO ACQUIRE LILLIE ROAD ROUGH SLEEPERS HOSTEL</p> <p>(Item 12 on the agenda) Ward(s): Munster</p> <p><u>Agreed:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To note that Appendix 1 is not for publication on the basis that it contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) as set out in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended). 2. To approve the purchase of the property on Lillie Road named in the exempt Appendix 1 for the total purchase price as set out in the exempt Appendix 1. 3. To note that the acquisition is to be funded by a combination of General Fund borrowing and grant from the Greater London Authority, and therefore approve the creation of a capital budget as detailed in exempt Appendix 1. 4. To authorise the Strategic Director of Economy in conjunction with the Assistant Director of Legal Services to enter a contract for the sale and transfer deed for the purchase of the property, subject to a positive conclusion to the due diligence process. <p><u>Reason for decision:</u> As set out in the report.</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness (Councillor Frances Umeh)</p>
<p>ACQUISITION OF AFFORDABLE HOMES - QUAYSIDE LODGE</p> <p>(Item 13 on the agenda) Ward(s): Sands End</p> <p><u>Agreed:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Notes that Appendices 1 and 2 are not for publication on the basis that they contain information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) as set out in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended). 2. Approves the council's acquisition of 37 homes and 4 disabled parking spaces in Quayside Lodge development funded by the HRA at the price set out in Appendix 2 (exempt) in line with the Heads of Terms set out in Appendix 1 (exempt). 3. Approves a capital budget envelope for this proposed acquisition, as set out in Appendix 2. 	<p>Cabinet Member for the Economy (Councillor Andrew Jones)</p>

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<p>4. Authorise the Strategic Director for the Economy, advised by and in consultation with the Director of Finance and Assistant Director of Legal Services, to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. finalise an Agreement for Lease and other contractual terms (including minor amendments to the Head of Terms) and enter into binding contracts for the purchase of the 37 affordable homes; b. enter into all necessary legal agreements including Agreement for Lease and arrangements around share of freehold; c. Note the outcome of the due diligence process and proceed with the acquisition if it is materially beneficial to the council; and d. Negotiate any modifications, alterations, or additions to the existing Planning permission and planning agreement which might be necessary or desirable, including conversion of affordable homes to more genuinely affordable tenures. <p><u>Reason for decision:</u> As set out in the report.</p>	
<p>AWARD OF THE HOME CARE AND INDEPENDENT LIVING SERVICE CONTRACTS</p> <p>(Item 14 on the agenda) Ward(s): All Wards</p> <p><u>Agreed:</u></p> <p>That Cabinet:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Notes that Appendix 1 is not for publication on the basis that it contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) as set out in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended). 2. Approves the award of 12 (twelve) contracts to 7 (seven) providers for the delivery of a Home Care and Independent Living service in Hammersmith and Fulham for an initial five-year term from 1 June 2024 until 31 May 2029, with the option to extend for up to a further period of two years for a total of seven years. The total value of this contract over the five-year term is estimated at £55.5m and over the seven-year term is estimated at £77.7m 	<p>Deputy Leader (Councillor Ben Coleman)</p>

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<p>3. Approves an increase to the rates paid under existing bridging provision with Healthvision and Graceful Care to match their contracted rate as set out in the report giving a total value of £20.3m and £28.4m over 5 and 7 years respectively. These two providers are the only current bridging providers to be awarded contracts as a result of this tender exercise.</p> <p>4. Notes the additional funding of £4.2m in 2024/25 (subject to the approval of the Budget for 2024/25 by Full Council in February 2024).</p> <p><u>Reason for decision:</u> As set out in the report.</p>	

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