



Cabinet

Minutes

Monday 11 January 2010

PRESENT

Councillor Stephen Greenhalgh, Leader
Councillor Nicholas Botterill, Deputy Leader (+Environment)
Councillor Paul Bristow, Cabinet Member for Residents Services
Councillor Lucy Ivimy, Cabinet Member for Housing
Councillor Mark Loveday, Cabinet Member for Strategy
Councillor Greg Smith, Cabinet Member for Crime and Street Scene
Councillor Frances Stainton, Cabinet Member for Parks, Culture and Heritage
Councillor Sarah Gore, Cabinet Member for Children's Services

1. MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEETING HELD ON 7 DECEMBER 2009

1.1 RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 7 December 2009 be confirmed and signed as an accurate record of the proceedings, and that the outstanding actions be noted.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2.1 There were no apologies for absence.

3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

3.1 There were no declarations of interest.

4. THE GENERAL FUND CAPITAL PROGRAMME AND HOUSING REVENUE CAPITAL PROGRAMME AND REVENUE BUDGET 2009/10 - MONTH 6 AMENDMENTS

RESOLVED:

That approval be given to:

1. The changes to the capital programme as set out in Appendix 1 of this report.

2. The revenue virements totalling £165,000 as set out in Appendix 2 of this report.

Reason for decision:

As set out in the report.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

As outlined in the report.

Record of any conflict of interest:

None.

Note of dispensation in respect of any declared conflict of interest:

None.

5. COUNCIL TAX BASE AND COLLECTION RATE 2010/2011

RESOLVED:

That Cabinet makes the following recommendations to Council for the 2010-2011 financial year:

- (i) That the estimated numbers of properties for each Valuation Band as set out in this report be approved.
- (ii) That an estimated Collection rate of 97.5% be approved.
- (iii) That the Council Tax Base of 79,052 Band "D" equivalent properties be approved.

Reason for decision:

As set out in the report.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

As outlined in the report.

Record of any conflict of interest:

None.

Note of dispensation in respect of any declared conflict of interest:

None.

6. LONDON COUNCILS (LC) GRANTS SCHEME 2010-11

RESOLVED:

That the London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham formally approves the overall London Boroughs Grant Scheme standstill budget of £28,400,000 and this Authority's contribution of £595,032.

Reason for decision:

As set out in the report.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

As outlined in the report.

Record of any conflict of interest:

None.

Note of dispensation in respect of any declared conflict of interest:

None.

7. COMMUNITY EQUIPMENT SERVICE - APPOINTMENT OF FRAMEWORK PROVIDER

RESOLVED:

That approval be given to enter into a service contract with Medequip Assistive Technology Ltd (Medequip) for a period of 5 years (with the option to extend for a further 2 years) as the appointed framework provider for the provision of community equipment across 9 London boroughs, under a framework agreement procured by the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea as lead authority, at a notional annual value estimated at £755,000.

Reason for decision:

As set out in the report.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

As outlined in the report.

Record of any conflict of interest:

None.

Note of dispensation in respect of any declared conflict of interest:

None.

8. **APPROVAL TO AWARD THE TERM CONTRACT FOR RESURFACING AND ROAD MARKING 2010 TO 2015**

RESOLVED:

1. To award the five year Term Contract for Resurfacing and Road Marking 2010 to 2015, commencing 1 April 2010, on the basis of the most economically advantageous tender received, as detailed in the report on the exempt part of the Cabinet agenda.
2. To note that the contract has a clause that will allow three further one year extensions, but this is dependent upon the contractor's performance, and to agree that any decision needed to extend the contract in line with this provision may be delegated to the appropriate Cabinet Member at the proper time.

Reason for decision:

As set out in the report.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

As outlined in the report.

Record of any conflict of interest:

None.

Note of dispensation in respect of any declared conflict of interest:

None.

9. **HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE - APPROVAL OF THE 2010/11 PROGRAMME**

RESOLVED:

1. To note and approve the 2010/11 highway maintenance (carriageway and footway) schemes, as set out in Appendix A to this report.
2. To note continued approval of delegated responsibility to senior officers to make amendments to the programme, as agreed for operational and cost effective reasons by the Director of Environment and Director of Finance and Corporate Services in order to make the optimum use of resources, allowing virements, as outlined in the report, to contain expenditure within the approved resources and not subject to the normal virement rules.

Reason for decision:

As set out in the report.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

As outlined in the report.

Record of any conflict of interest:

None.

Note of dispensation in respect of any declared conflict of interest:

None.

10. **LICENSING ACT 2003 : FULHAM TOWN CENTRE - ADOPTION OF A SPECIAL LICENSING POLICY**

RESOLVED:

That Cabinet recommends the approval and adoption by the Council of the special Licensing Policy and area for the Fulham Town Centre as set out in Appendixes 1 and 2 to this report, and that it be incorporated into the Council's current Licensing Policy.

Reason for decision:

As set out in the report.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

As outlined in the report.

Record of any conflict of interest:

None.

Note of dispensation in respect of any declared conflict of interest:

None.

11. **INTEGRATION OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES COMMISSIONING**

RESOLVED:

1. That authority be delegated to the Director of Children's Services and the Managing Director of NHS Hammersmith & Fulham to put arrangements in place to implement the proposals set out in this report

2. That authority be delegated to the Director of Finance and Corporate Services to agree the financial arrangements for the team and its activity with the Director of Finance at the PCT.

Reason for decision:

As set out in the report.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

As outlined in the report.

Record of any conflict of interest:

None.

Note of dispensation in respect of any declared conflict of interest:

None.

12. CHILDREN'S SERVICES INTEGRATED CHILDREN'S SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

RESOLVED:

1. That the scope of the project be approved with one off project funding of £639,169.
2. That ongoing funding is approved for the Framework Development and Support Team at £335,340 per annum.

Reason for decision:

As set out in the report.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

As outlined in the report.

Record of any conflict of interest:

None.

Note of dispensation in respect of any declared conflict of interest:

None.

13. FULHAM COURT ESTATE IMPROVEMENT STRATEGY: PHASE 1: PHYSICAL IMPROVEMENTS

RESOLVED:

1. That approval be given to the implementation of a Children's Centre (subject to any necessary statutory consents and comprehensive resident consultation).
2. To approve a programme of consultation with residents to evaluate the possibility of physical estate improvement.
3. To agree to earmark £4.057m of funding from the HRA Disposal Receipts over the years 2009/2013 to enable the works programme to proceed, subject to detailed resident consultation and further approval, and to agree the provisional annual budgets across the 2009/2013 years as shown in the body of the report (subject to confirmation at tender approval stage) and that £0.450m of grant funding be applied regarding the provision of a Children's Centre.
4. To approve the delegation to H&F Homes of the responsibility for the development and delivery of the physical improvement programme, subject to detailed approval being sought to the final scheme from Cabinet.

Reason for decision:

As set out in the report.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

As outlined in the report.

Record of any conflict of interest:

None.

Note of dispensation in respect of any declared conflict of interest:

None.

14. FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS

The Forward Plan was noted.

15. SUMMARY OF OPEN DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE LEADER AND CABINET MEMBERS, AND REPORTED TO CABINET FOR INFORMATION

The summary was noted.

16. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED:

That under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the remaining items of business on the grounds that they contain information relating to the financial or business affairs of a person (including the authority) as defined paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Act, and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption currently outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

[The following is a public summary of the exempt information under S.100C (2) of the Local Government Act 1972. Exempt minutes exist as a separate document.]

17. EXEMPT MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEETING HELD ON 7 DECEMBER 2009 (E)

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 7 December 2009 be confirmed and signed as an accurate record of the proceedings, and that the outstanding actions be noted.

18. APPROVAL TO AWARD THE TERM CONTRACT FOR RESURFACING AND ROAD MARKING 2010 TO 2015: EXEMPT ASPECTS (E)

RESOLVED:

That the recommendation be agreed.

Reason for decision:

As set out in the report.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

As outlined in the report.

Record of any conflict of interest:

None.

Note of dispensation in respect of any declared conflict of interest:

None.

19. **SUMMARY OF EXEMPT DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE LEADER AND CABINET MEMBERS, AND REPORTED TO CABINET FOR INFORMATION (E)**

The summary was noted.

Meeting started: 7.00 pm

Meeting ended: 7.03 pm

Chairman