CABINET SUMMARY OF DECISIONS

19 December 2018

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NOTE:

In accordance with the Scrutiny Procedure Rules in the Council's Constitution, all decisions listed below (unless stated otherwise) are subject to call-in for consideration within 5 working days of the publication of this Summary of Decisions.

A request for call-in in respect of any of the decisions listed below must therefore be received **NO LATER THAN 5.00 P.M. on Friday 28th December**. Each call-in must specify what is being called-in, why it is being called-in, if the implementation of the decision should be delayed until the scrutiny process is complete, and the preferred outcome.

Item No.	Title
5	Revenue Budget Monitoring - Month 7
	DECISION
	The Cabinet: 1. commented upon the contents of this report and requested that the Senior Leadership Team continues to undertake further action to ensure that the projected overspend is reduced; 2. noted the contents of this report.
	ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report
	REASON FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report
6	Revenue Budget 2019/20 and MTFP Strategy Report
	DECISION The Cabinet:
	1. reviewed the latest position set out in this report and commented on the preparation of the MTFP in advance of the presentation of specific proposals for change, in January, which will address the projected funding gap of £15m for 2019/20.
	2. requested that the Senior Leadership Team bring forward specific proposals for change, that will address the £15m funding gap in 2019/20 and for these to be prepared and presented to the Cabinet meeting in February 2019, following consultation with all Scrutiny Committees in January 2019.

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	3. agreed to withdraw the proposal to consult on the potential reduction of financial support to the public transport and college bus network (proposal ECI-12, appendix C2.b.03 of Cabinet papers 12 September 2018) ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report REASON FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report
7	County Hall A Block Final Business Case Approval
	DECISION The Cabinet:
	Approved the Final Business Case for A Block refurbishment (Confidential Appendix)
	2. Recommended to Council that the cost of £2.5million to complete the A Block refurbishment project is committed and approved as part of the 2019/20 capital programme at their meeting in February 2019
	3. Delegated authority to the Lead Director for Economic and Community Infrastructure and Director for Commissioning, in consultation with the Head of Corporate Property, to enter the contract to deliver refurbishment of A Block, County Hall subject to:
	a) allocation of the cost of the project by the Council within the 19/20 Capital programme by the County Council (see recommendation 2 above); and
	b) receipt of Listed Building Consent (Planning Portal reference 4/38/18/0385/OB), expected January 2019;
	c) receipt of a final tendered contract cost which falls within the available budget;
	d) the requirement that all items of recommended contingency spend under the contract are reviewed and agreed by the Head of Corporate Property or an officer of higher seniority before approval;
	ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report
	REASON FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report
8	South West Peninsula Framework Contract for Residential Children's Homes
	DECISION
	The Cabinet authorised the Director of Children's Services to enter into the

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	Peninsula Framework for Independent Residential Children's Homes for a period of 4 years (48 months) from 1 st February 2019.
	ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report
	REASON FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report
9	Proposed Expansion of Bishop Fox's Secondary School to 1200 places
	 DECISION Approves the appointment of Futures for Somerset to proceed with the delivery of the expansion of Bishop Fox's to 1200 places. Approves the gross maximum project cost as set out in Appendix B. These costs include allowances for IT and furniture as required. Agrees that Appendix B be treated as exempt information and to be treated in confidence, as the case for the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing that information. Agree to exclude the press and public from the meeting where there is any discussion at the meeting regarding exempt or confidential information (Appendix A). Delegates the authority to the Head of Corporate Property and the County Solicitor to complete any necessary documentation to enter into a contract with the preferred contractor. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report
10	Award of a Contract for the Provision of a Framework of Support Services for People with Complex, Multiple Needs
	DECISION
	 Approved the award of a contract for the Provision of Support Services for People with Complex, Multiple Needs, to Provider A (as identified in Section 5 of the attached Confidential Appendix A – Tender Evaluation Report), from 1 April 2019 for a period of 5 years with an option for the authority to extend the contract for a further two periods of up to 12 months (subject to the parties agreeing the price for the extension period). Agreed the case for applying the exempt information provision as set out in the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A and therefore to treat the attached Appendix A in confidence, as they contain commercially sensitive information, and as the case for the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing that information.

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	3. Delegated authority to the Director of Adult Social Services, in consultation with the County Solicitor, to finalise and enter into the contract referred to in recommendation 1 above on behalf of the authority and to determine, in due course, whether to exercise the option to extend the contract.
	ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report
	REASON FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report
11	Decision to Conclude the Award of a Contract for the Provision of Highway Improvements at M5 Junction 25
	DECISION The Cabinet:
	 Agreed to award a contract for highway improvements and associated works at M5 Junction 25 to the supplier identified in Appendix A, following a competitive process. The award will be subject to confirmation of the funding contribution from the Heart of the South West Local Enterprise Partnership.
	2. Agreed to underwrite up to £0.536m from the capital programme that may be the result of the reduction in LEP contribution to the scheme.
	3. Agrees the case for exempt information for Appendix A to be treated in confidence, as public disclosure of the commercially sensitive data contained within would prejudice the Council's position in ensuring competitiveness of future tender processes.
	The County Council reserves the right to not proceed with the award of a contract should new information come to light during the standstill period and/or before entering into a contract. In this instance, it is recommended that the ECI Commissioning Director and the Director of Corporate Affairs be given joint delegated authority to take any necessary action in relation to the conclusion of the contract to protect the Council interests - this could include a decision not to enter into a contract and go back out to market.
	ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report
	REASON FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report