## CABINET SUMMARY OF DECISIONS

## **13 November 2019**

(Published on 14 November 2019)

## 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 the **WEDNESDAY following the meeting**. 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<br>No. | Title                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 5           | Corporate Performance Report - Quarter 2 2019/20                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|             | DECISION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|             | The Cabinet:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|             | 1. Considered and commented on the information contained within this report.                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|             | 2. Considered the proposed management actions already in place are adequate to improve performance to the desired level.                                                                                                                                               |
|             | 3. Agreed this report and any appendices as the latest position for Somerset County Council against its Council Vision.                                                                                                                                                |
|             | ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|             | REASON FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 6           | 2019/20 Revenue Budget Monitoring - Quarter 2 (Month 6) Report                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|             | DECISION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|             | The Cabinet: 1. Noted the forecast balanced budget position for the end of 2019/20 2. Noted that £6.127m of the corporate contingency remains unallocated 3. Noted the delivery of £17.884m savings by Quarter 2 and the forecast delivery of £21.316m by the year end |

| Item<br>No. | Title                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|             | 4. Noted the improving financial resilience of the Council, with the level of reserves now being projected as £56.347m by the year end (comprising £36.657m of Earmarked Reserves and £19.690m of General Fund).                                                                                                                          |
|             | ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|             | REASON FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 7           | 2019/20 Capital Budget Monitoring - Quarter 2 (Month 6) Report                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|             | DECISION The Cabinet:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|             | <ol> <li>Noted the forecasted budget position for the currently approved 5-year programme with a forecast favourable variance of £1.735m;</li> <li>Approved the request to vire £0.040m of grant funding from the Smart Ticketing project to the New Fleet Management System project, as detailed in Section 5 of this report.</li> </ol> |
|             | ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|             | REASON FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 8           | Treasury Management 2019/20 mid-year Report                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|             | DECISION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|             | The Cabinet endorsed the Treasury Management Mid-Year Report for 2019-20 and recommended it is received and endorsed by Full Council at the next sitting of Full Council.                                                                                                                                                                 |
|             | ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|             | REASON FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 9           | Heart of the South West Joint Committee - Governance Arrangements and Budgetary Position                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|             | DECISION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|             | The Cabinet:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|             | (a) as a constituent member, approved the amendments (highlighted it italics) to the Heart of the South West Joint Committee's list of functions in                                                                                                                                                                                       |

| Item<br>No. | Title                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|             | the Arrangements document – Appendix A attached; (b) noted the updated budget position for 2019/20 and that the County Council will continue as the Administering Authority for the Joint Committee; (c) made provision of £21,000 as a contribution to the administration and work programme of the Committee in 2020/21 financial year subject to all other Constituent Members making a financial contribution based on the methodology agreed in previous years.  ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report  REASON FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report |