

Somerset County Council

County Council

– 19 July 2017

Report of the Leader and Cabinet – Items for Information

Cabinet Member: Cllr Davis Fothergill – Leader of Council

Division and Local Member: All

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1. Summary

- 1.1. This report covers key decisions taken by the Leader, Cabinet Members and officers between 10 May 2017 and 7 July 2017, together with the items of business discussed at the Cabinet meetings on 14 June 2017 and 10 July 2017 (attached as Appendix A to this report). The Leader and Cabinet Members may also wish to raise other issues at the County Council meeting.

2. Details of decisions

- 2.1. Agenda and papers for the Cabinet meetings on 14 June 2017 and 10 July 2017 are published within the Cabinet webpages on the Council's website. Individual Leader, Cabinet Member and Officer key decision records and related reports are also published within the Cabinet webpages on the Council's website.

LEADER OF COUNCIL (Customers and Communities) – Cllr David Fothergill		
Item	Date of Meeting	Summary of Decision
Council Performance Report – End of March (Q4) 2016/17	14 June 2017 by Cabinet	<p>SUMMARY OF DECISION: This report provides members and senior officers with the information they need to lead and manage the performance of the outcomes set out in the County Plan and the organisation.</p> <p>The report has been updated to reflect the County Plan that was adopted by full Council in February 2016 and a review of the priorities and the performance information that contributes to them has been carried out.</p> <p>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report.</p> <p>REASONS FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report.</p>
Council Performance Reports End of May 17/18	10 July 2017 by Cabinet	<p>SUMMARY OF DECISION</p> <p>Following consideration of the officer report, appendix and discussion, the Cabinet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Considered the information contained within the report specifically those areas identified as a potential concern under Section 3.0 of this report and the “issues for consideration” section of Appendix A. 2. Agreed the report and Appendix A as the latest position for Somerset County Council against its County Plan. <p>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report</p> <p>REASON FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report</p>

RESOURCES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Cllr David Hall

Item	Date of Meeting	Summary of Decision
Decision to approve the appointment of a supplier to deliver the Highbridge phase two development, and to accept the Unlocking Growth Deal Fund funding and sign up to the terms and conditions of the funding.	30 May 2017 by the Cabinet Member for Resources and Economic Development	<p>SUMMARY OF DECISION: This report is therefore now seeking approval to appoint the supplier outlined in appendix D as the contractor to complete the development, and accept the £233,000 LEP Unlocking Growth Fund funding, and sign up to the terms and conditions of the funding agreement in order to deliver the Phase 2 development.</p> <p>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report.</p> <p>REASONS FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report.</p>
Connecting Devon and Somerset Superfast Extension Programme Phase 2 award of contract and funding agreement with Department for Culture Media and Sport	8 June 2017 by the Director of Finance and Performance and the Director of Commissioning and Lead Commissioner for Economic and Community Infrastructure in conjunction with the Cabinet Member for Resources and Economic Development	<p>SUMMARY OF DECISION: The Director of Commissioning and Lead Commissioner for Economic and Community Infrastructure in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Business, Inward Investment and Policy approves the finalised contract and State Aid clearance having been given by BDUK authorises that of SCC shall sign and contract with preferred supplier for Lot 1 using the contract for that Lot.</p> <p>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report.</p> <p>REASONS FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report.</p>

RESOURCES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Cllr David Hall

Item	Date of Meeting	Summary of Decision
Capital Budget Monitoring Report Q4 2016-17	14 June 2017 by Cabinet	<p>SUMMARY OF DECISION: This report outlines the County Council Capital Investment Programme outturn position for 2016/17 and updates Members on changes since the Quarter 3 report presented in February 2017.</p> <p>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report.</p> <p>REASONS FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report.</p>
Revenue Budget Monitoring Report Q4 2016-17	14 June 2017 by Cabinet	<p>SUMMARY OF DECISION: The report outlines the Council's Revenue Budget final outturn position for the 2016/17 financial year. It also sets out a number of consequent issues requiring decisions.</p> <p>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report.</p> <p>REASONS FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report.</p>
Somerset Energy and Innovation Centre – Appointing a Construction Company	10 July 2017 by Cabinet	<p>SUMMARY OF DECISION</p> <p>Following consideration of the officer report, impact assessment and discussion Cabinet RESOLVED to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Approve the appointment of the construction works contractor Wilmott Dixon via the SCAPE Major Works Construction Framework for the construction of SEIC2; and• Authorise the development of the design for SEIC 3 to progress to RIBA Stage 3. <p>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report</p> <p>REASON FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report</p>

RESOURCES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Cllr David Hall

Item	Date of Meeting	Summary of Decision
Revenue Budget Monitoring Reports End of May 2017/18	10 July 2017 by Cabinet	<p>SUMMARY OF DECISION</p> <p>Following consideration of the officer report, appendix and discussion, the Cabinet RESOLVED to note the contents of the report and the potential outturn position for the year.</p> <p>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report</p> <p>REASON FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report</p>
Development of the Medium Term Financial Plan 2018/19 (MTFP)	10 July 2017 by Cabinet	<p>SUMMARY OF DECISION</p> <p>Following consideration of the officer report and discussion, the Cabinet RESOLVED to note the forecast MTFP position for the years 2018/19 to 2021/22 as set out in this report and supported the proposed approach to the development of the MTFP.</p> <p>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report</p> <p>REASON FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report</p>

HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT – Cllr John Woodman		
Item	Date of Meeting	Summary of Decision
See cross cutting decisions.		

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES – Cllr Frances Nicholson		
Item	Date of Meeting	Summary of Decision
Award of Family Based Care (fostering) Peninsula Framework	24 May 2017 taken by the Director of Children’s Services	<p>SUMMARY OF DECISION: The South West Peninsula group of authorities have recently concluded a tender for the provision of local foster placements for children and young people in care.</p> <p>The Peninsula authorities have since started discussions to determine the best procurement options enabling a way forward beyond March 2018.</p> <p>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report.</p> <p>REASONS FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report.</p>
Hamp Academy, Bridgwater - Proposed Modular Classroom and Specialist Practical Unit	7 June 2017 by the Commercial and Business Services Director	<p>SUMMARY OF DECISION: This report seeks approval to appoint the main contractor for the project and to place the main order for the manufacture of the proposed modular classroom and specialist practical unit in advance of the receipt of planning permission</p> <p>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report.</p> <p>REASONS FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report.</p>

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES – Cllr Frances Nicholson

Item	Date of Meeting	Summary of Decision
School Place Planning Infrastructure Growth Plan for Somerset 2017	22 June 2017 by the Cabinet Member for Children and Families	<p>SUMMARY OF DECISION: The Early Years and School Place Planning Infrastructure Growth Plan for Somerset has been refreshed and updated.</p> <p>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report.</p> <p>REASONS FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report.</p>
Creation of two New Academies in Somerset	26 June 2017 by the Cabinet Member for Children and Families and the Commercial and Business Services Director	<p>SUMMARY OF DECISION: The Secretary of State for Education has directed via an Academy Order, the conversion to Academy Status of two schools:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Holy Trinity Church of England School, Taunton• Wembdon St George's Church of England Primary School <p>These are technical decisions to facilitate decisions taken by the Secretary of State for Education. Both schools will become sponsored academies due to their recent Ofsted inadequate inspection outcome.</p> <p>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report.</p> <p>REASONS FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report.</p>

PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELLBEING – Cllr Christine Lawrence

Item	Date of Meeting	Summary of Decision
Somerset Prevention Charter	14 June 2017 by Cabinet	<p>SUMMARY OF DECISION: As part of the work of the Somerset Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP) being led by the NHS and Somerset County Council, the Somerset Health and Wellbeing Board have approved a new Somerset Prevention Charter</p> <p>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report.</p> <p>REASONS FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report.</p>

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES – Cllr Anna Groskop

Item	Date of Meeting	Summary of Decision
No decisions		

ADULT SOCIAL CARE – Cllr David Huxtable

Item	Date of Meeting	Summary of Decision
Provision of Healthwatch Somerset	21 June 2017 by the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care	<p>SUMMARY OF DECISION: This report gives information regarding the recommendation to award a contract for a new Healthwatch Somerset (HWS) service. The role of Healthwatch is set out in legislation and is tasked with being the consumer champion for health and social care, covering provision for children, young people and adults.</p> <p>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report.</p> <p>REASONS FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report.</p>

CROSS CUTTING – As specified

Item	Date of Meeting	Summary of Decision
Appointment of suppliers to a framework agreement for services in connection with a Travel Behaviour Change and Road Safety Training and Awareness Programme associated with the Hinkley Point C development	<p><i>Cabinet Member for Resources and Economic Development and Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport:</i></p> <p>14 June 2017 by Cabinet</p>	<p>SUMMARY OF DECISION: Given the financial thresholds envisaged, an OJEU compliant procurement process has therefore been undertaken to appoint suppliers to a new framework agreement that will have a maximum duration of four years. Though the framework is being established primarily to deliver the HPC related programme, the County Council may also use the framework to procure any other travel demand projects and programmes that it may wish to deliver. The contract will also be made available to members of the South West Highways Alliance.</p> <p>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As set out in the officer report.</p> <p>REASONS FOR DECISION: As set out in the officer report.</p>