

STRATEGY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE: 29TH MARCH 2022

Amendments proposed by Councillor Steve Count

Additions in bold and deletions shown in strikethrough

Agenda Item No.4 - Joint Agreement and Peer Review Action Tracking

The Committee is asked to:

- a) review the monitoring against actions identified in the ~~joint agreement and peer review~~ action plans.
- b) agree to transfer any remaining open actions to the Council's new Performance Management Framework with monitoring and reporting through appropriate committee governance.

Agenda Item No.5 - Integrated Finance Monitoring Report for the Period Ending 31st January 2022

Strategy & Resources Committee (S&R) is recommended to:

- a) Approve the proposal for the use of £407k from Public Health reserves to support additional work on Health Checks in 2022/23, as set out in section 6.1;
- b) Approve earmarking £1,490k of the underspend on Funding items to invest in the Highways Maintenance Service as set out in section 6.2 and Appendix 6;
- c) Approve the transfer of £830k to earmarked reserves to enable expenditure to take place in 2022/23 for workforce development for the Adult Social Care and Health workforce across the Integrated Care System, as set out in section 6.3;
- d) Approve the transfer of funding into an earmarked reserve for continuing discharge to assess support for Cambridgeshire residents in 2022/23, delegate confirmation of the amount at year end to the Chief Finance Officer in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of this committee, and delegate to the Executive Director of P&C authority to agree expenditure from this reserve, as set out in section 6.4;
- e) Approve the allocation of the additional unringfenced grant £1.14m Domestic Abuse Act Statutory Duty funding to People & Communities in 2021/22 and £1.14m in 2022/23, as set out in section 6.5;
- f) Note the changes in government grant income of £332k additional Local tax losses 2020-21 grant income, £375k reduction in anticipated sales, fees and charges loss of income compensation 2020-21 and £1.4m of Contain

Outbreak Management Fund grant income applied centrally as set out in section 6.6;

- g) Note the changes in forecast income in relation to business rates of an estimated £1.43m Business Rates Retention 2021-22 pool dividend and forecast £202k Alconbury Enterprise Zone Business Rates payment in respect of rates collected for 2021-22 as set out in section 6.7;
- h) Approve the debt write-offs of £29,108 and £27,784 relating to the estates of service users where there is now no prospect of debts being recovered, as set out in section 7.2;
- i) Approve additional prudential borrowing of £389k for 2022/23 for the Swaffham Prior Community Heat Project and £1,099k for 2022/23 for the North Angle Solar Farm scheme, as set out in section 8.6;
- j) Note the update provided on the Council's treasury management activity set out in section 9.10;
- k) Note and comment on the Finance Monitoring Report for Corporate Services (Appendix 4);
- l) Approve the criteria for accessing the Just Transition Fund (Appendix 5).
- m) Note the updated pricing and business case for the Babraham Road Smart Energy Grid, including the increase in capital cost of £630k, and authorise the Chief Finance Officer to make resulting budget changes in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair and in accordance with the Addendum.
- n) **Ask the Chair of the Strategy and Resources Committee to write to and publish an explanation to all members of the Communities, Social Mobility and Inclusion Committee (COSMIC), and members of the Strategy and Resources Committee, why Strategy and Resources Committee failed to formally consider or debate in open forum, COSMIC's legitimate and formal request, with a unanimous committee vote from July 2021, which was c) Following the success of the Communities Capital Fund, recommend that the Strategy and Resources Committee allocates at least a further £5m in the 2022-23 Business Plan.**

Agenda Item No.6 This Land Monitoring Update

The Committee is invited to:

- (a) Note and comment on the report and progress with the action plan;
- (b) Note the areas highlighted for consultation with the Council: potential for collaboration on future developments and risk appetite relative to meeting housing needs;

- (c) Permit and enable sale of properties, owned by This Land, at the sites listed at section 3.5 of this report, and at Horningsea, varying the Council's associated rights and mortgages as set out at section 3.5; and
- (d) Authorise the Section 151 officer, in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair, to exercise the shareholder rights in relation to appointment of the next Chair of This Land, in accordance with section 2.8 of this report.
- (e) **Agree that any changes accepted by this Land, to reduce returns in exchange for increased affordable housing, to be quantified and reported to the next available meeting of the Strategy and Resources Committee.**

Agenda Item No.12 - New Shire Hall – Multi Function Room

The Committee is asked to:

- a) note that the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and public health impacts of Full Council meetings without social distancing requires the continued use of external venues.
- b) instruct the Assistant Director Property to prepare a detailed report for the **next meeting of the Strategy and Resources Committee in September 2022** on issues relating to safety, security and working environment for Members and challenges to the Council's aspirations for public accessibility to its meetings from the current size and configuration of the MFR with detailed options to address the issues.

Agenda Item No. 13. - Corporate Risk Register – Update

The Committee is invited to:

- a) note and comment on the corporate risk register.
- b) **raise serious questions of the assessment of Risk 01 and ask that the likelihood score be reviewed by officers as a matter of urgency. Furthermore to report back to Strategy and Resources Committee at its May reserve meeting a full action plan with timetable on mitigations being implemented and an update on the re-assessment of scoring.**

Agenda Item No. 16 - Strategy and Resources Committee Agenda Plan and Training Plan and Appointments to Outside Bodies and Internal Advisory Groups and Panels

Note the agenda plan and **request officers undertake the necessary constitutional amendments through Constitution and Ethics Committee and Full Council, so that utilities is transferred from Strategy and Resources Committee to Environment and Green Investment Committee.**