General Purposes Committee Decision Statement

Meeting: 22nd October 2019

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Topic	Decision
CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS	
Apologies for absence and declarations of interest	Apologies received from Councillors Bywater and Kindersley (Councillors Hoy and Harrison substituting respectively).
	There were no declarations of interest.
Minutes – 26th September 2019 and Action Log	It was resolved:
	to approve the minutes of the meeting of 26th September 2019 as a correct record and note the action log.
Petitions	None received.
OTHER DECISION	
Finance and Performance Report – August 2019	It was resolved to review, note and comment upon the report.
	Apologies for absence and declarations of interest Minutes – 26th September 2019 and Action Log Petitions OTHER DECISION

	KEY DECISIONS	
5.	Integrated Finance and Monitoring	It was resolved to:
J.	Report for the Period Ending 31st August 2019	a) Note the transfer in budget responsibility and reporting for commercial scheme debt charges from Debt Charges within Corporate Services (CS) Financing to Commercial and Investment (C&I), as set out in section 5.2;
		b) Note the reduction in prudential borrowing of -£5,198k in relation to the multi-agency One Public Estate Highways Depot Project, as set out in section 6.7;
		c) Note the additional prudential borrowing for the Cambs 2020 Spokes disposals/acquisitions and adaptations subject to a separate report to this meeting;
		c) Approve capital expenditure of £5.449M (to be funded by prudential borrowing) for Cambs 2020 Spokes disposals/acquisitions and adaptations, and earmark £513K within reserves for Cambs 2020 one-off reorganisation allowances and moving costs, as considered and recommended from the report to the Commercial & Investment Committee;
		d) Approve additional prudential borrowing of £920,000 in 2020/21 for the Cromwell Community College scheme, as set out in section 6.8.
	OTHER DECISIONS	
6.	Medium Term Financial Strategy	It was resolved to consider the Draft Medium Term Financial Strategy for 2020-25.
7.	Service Committee Review of Draft	It was resolved to:
	Revenue Business Planning Proposals for 2020-21 to 2024-25	a) note the overview and context provided for the 2020-21 to 2024-25 Business Plan revenue proposals for the Service; and
		b) comment on the draft revenue proposals that were within the remit of the General Purposes Committee for 2020-21 to 2024-25.

8.	Capital Strategy	It was resolved to review and comment on:
		a) The revised Capital Strategy
		b) That the advisory limit on the level of debt charges (and therefore prudential borrowing) should be kept at existing levels.
		c) That borrowing related to Invest to Save/Earn schemes should continue to be excluded from the advisory debt charges limit.
9.	Service Committee Review of the Draft 2020-21 Capital Programme	It was resolved to:
	Drait 2020-21 Capital Programme	a) note the overview and context provided for the 2020-21 Capital Programme for Corporate and LGSS Managed Services; and
		b) comment on the draft proposals for Corporate and LGSS Managed Services' 2020- 21 Capital Programme and endorse their development.
10.	Cambridge University Science and Policy Exchange: Greenhouse Gas Emissions Baseline and Forecast to 2050 for the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Area	It was resolved to accept the CUSPE research report and its use as part of the evidence base to inform the development of the Council's Climate Change and Environment strategy and Action Plan (CCES).
11.	Transformation Fund	
11(a)	Transformation Fund Bid to finance the Commercial Team	It was resolved to approve the Transformation Bid proposal of £390,000 to fund the Commercial Team up to March 2021 as set out in Appendix A to the report.
11(b)	Home to School and Adults Social Care Transport	It was resolved to:
		 a) release Transformation funds to provide additional resources to identify the areas where savings could be made across Cambridgeshire;
		b) release funds in support of Independent Travel Training for Cambridgeshire ; and

		c) delegate authority to the Chief Finance Officer to draw down the £410k investment in tranches, in consultation with the Chairman of General Purposes Committee and the Chairman of Children and Young People Committee.
11(c)	Transformation Fund Monitoring Report Quarter 1 2019-20	It was resolved to note and comment on the report and the impact of transformation fund investment across the Council.
12.	Performance Report – Quarter 1 2019-20	It was resolved to note and comment on performance information and take remedial action as necessary.
13.	Repatriation of Services from LGSS to Cambridgeshire County Council	It was resolved to: (a) note the contents of the report and; (b) agree that the two service areas are repatriated to the County Council with immediate effect.
14.	General Purposes Committee Agenda Plan, Training Plan and Appointment to Outside Bodies and Internal Advisory Groups and Panels	It was resolved to review the agenda plan.

Notes:

Statements in bold type indicate additional resolutions made at the meeting and strikethrough indicates deletions. For more information contact: Michelle Rowe Telephone: 01223 699180 /e-mail: michelle.rowe@cambridgeshire.gov.uk