

**GENERAL PURPOSES
COMMITTEE**

Minutes-Action Log



Introduction:

This log captures the actions arising from the General Purposes Committee on 27th November 2018 and updates members on the progress on compliance in delivering the necessary actions. This is the updated action log as at 10th December 2018.

Minutes of 27th November 2018

Item No.	Item	Action to be taken by	Action	Comments	Completed
125.	Draft 2019-20 Capital Programme and Capital Prioritisation	Cllr Jenkins	Councillor to let officers know what he requires in relation to in-depth analysis to facilitate informed decision making in future with respect to Highways Maintenance £90m expenditure (ending in 2022-23), as it was unsustainable long-term to fund highways maintenance expenditure via borrowing.	The Assistant Director Highways e-mailed Councillor Jenkins on 4 December 2018.	Completed

		C Malyon	Queried whether Highways and Community Infrastructure had discussed the Community Hub schemes.	<p>The following is an extract from the H&CI meeting of 9th October:-</p> <p>A Member asked for an overview of the new Hub schemes. It was noted that Touchdown facilities were spaces which public sector workers could use. This required some minimal investment in workspaces and digital access. Officers agreed to circulate information on that investment to the Committee. ACTION.</p>	Completed
		C Malyon	Requested a briefing note detailing how new schools were funded including the interplay between the different funding streams, the differences between District areas, and in particular the funding of schools at Northstowe.	A note is being drafted and will be ready by the December meeting.	Ongoing

126.	Transformation Fund Monitoring Report Quarter 2 2018-19	J Turner	Requested more detail in relation to the External Funding Scheme, and LAC Placement Budget Savings scheme.	<p>External Funding: This investment will be used to fund the Advertising and Sponsorship Coordinator capacity to develop the council-wide structures and processes to identify and lever in new external funding opportunities to support CCC initiatives. There are a range of approaches including advertising, sponsorship, crowdfunding, social finance, private investors, timebanking. It is expected that this post will become self-sufficient following the one of Transformation Fund investment.</p> <p>LAC Placement Budget Savings: Savings have been achieved to the LAC placement budget despite the overall numbers of LAC increasing. These savings have been achieved as a result of the campaign to recruit in house foster carers (launched in September) which has increased the number of CCC in house foster carers, including some existing IFA foster carers have transferred to be CCC in house foster carers. In addition, IFA fees have been renegotiated and a review of high cost placements and placements transferring to lower cost packages has provided further savings to the budget.</p>	Completed
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127.	Treasury Management Report – Quarter Two and Mid-Year update 2018-19	C Malyon	Requested information on the vacancy rate and wage pressures as a result of inflation following Brexit.	The establishment needs to be reviewed following various restructures where not all of the old posts have been deleted yet, and until the data is cleansed the total number of genuine vacancies is unknown. However, our current turnover rate is around 11.5% which compares favourably against the national average of 15% and the public sector average of 13%.	Completed
128.	General Purposes Committee agenda plan, training plan and appointments to outside bodies, internal advisory groups and panels, and partnership liaison and advisory groups	A Smith	Noted that the Waste PFI Contract item scheduled for December might be deferred. The Committee requested a confidential briefing note if it was deferred.		