

## MEETING OF THE CABINET – 20<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2012

### NOTICE OF DECISIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Cabinet, at its meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2012, made the decisions indicated in respect of the items listed:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Decision</u>
Revenue and Capital Outturn 2011/12	<p>(1) That the draft outturn for 2011/12 be noted.</p> <p>(2) That the effect of the General Fund Revenue Outturn on General Balances at 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2012, be noted.</p> <p>(3) That the position on earmarked reserves at 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2012, be noted.</p> <p>(4) That the latest forecast General Fund Revenue position for 2012/13, be noted.</p>
Review of Housing Finance	<p>(1) That receipts arising from right to buy sales, above the current budgeted level, be retained, so long as these additional receipts are used for provision of affordable rented council homes, as set out in paragraph 8 of the report submitted to the meeting.</p> <p>(2) That the Director of Adult, Community and Housing Services be authorised to sign the agreement with the Department for Communities and Local Government to retain additional right to buy receipts and use these for provision of affordable rented council homes, as set out in paragraph 8 of the report submitted to the meeting.</p> <p>(3) That the key elements of the Housing Revenue Account 30 Year Business Plan be approved as set out in paragraph 9 of the report submitted to the meeting.</p> <p>(4) That the Council be recommended:-</p> <p>(a) To approve the revised Housing Revenue Account budget for 2012/13, as set out in paragraph 6 and Appendix 1 of the report submitted to the meeting.</p>

- (b) To approve the revised Public Sector Housing capital programme for 2012/13 to 2016/17, as set out in paragraph 7 and Appendix 2 of the report submitted to the meeting.

Council Plan 2013: 2012  
Annual Refresh

That the Council Plan 2012 refresh be endorsed and the alignment of Cabinet priorities to Council Plan and Directorate Strategic Plans be noted.

Capital Programme  
Monitoring

- (1) That the results of the Post Completion Review of capital projects, as set out in Appendix B of the report submitted to the meeting, be noted.
- (2) That the Council be recommended:-
  - (a) That current progress with the 2012/13 Capital Programme, as set out in Appendix A to the report submitted to the meeting, be noted.
  - (b) That the additional resources of £0.078m identified from usable housing capital receipts be earmarked for Disabled Facilities Grants, and that the Capital Programme be amended accordingly, as set out in paragraph 5 of the report submitted to the meeting.
  - (c) That the Oak Lane Improvements budget be increased by £105,000, and the Capital Programme amended accordingly, as set out in paragraph 6 of the report submitted to the meeting.
  - (d) That the MOT Testing Facility project be approved and included in the Capital Programme, as set out in paragraph 7 of the report submitted to the meeting.
  - (e) That Area Committee Capital Allocations unspent from previous years and rolled forward into 2012/13 be no longer restricted to funding capital projects, as set out in paragraph 8 of the report submitted to the meeting.

(f) That the Urgent Amendments to the Capital Programme, as set out in paragraphs 9 and 10 of the report submitted to the meeting, be noted.

Implementing the Localism Act 2011

- (1) That the content of the report and the corporate direction proposed by the Localism Act Steering Group be approved.
- (2) That the ongoing work, as set out in the report submitted to the meeting, be endorsed and the relevant Cabinet Members, the Chief Executive and Directors be authorised to pursue the implementation of the various provisions of the Localism Act 2011 as relevant to their particular areas of responsibility.
- (3) That the corporate progress be monitored by the Director of Corporate Resources through the Localism Act Steering Group.
- (4) That the repeal of the Petitions provisions be noted and the Chairs of Scrutiny Committees be requested to consider and report back to the Cabinet on the revision of the existing Petitions Scheme as contained in the Constitution.

Quarterly Corporate Performance Management Report

- (1) That the Quarterly Corporate Performance Management Report for the period from the 1<sup>st</sup> January to the 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2012 be noted and its contents approved.
- (2) That the information contained within the Quarterly Corporate Performance Management Report be referred to Scrutiny Committees to consider specific issues within their Terms of Reference.

Localised Council Tax Support (Rebate) Scheme 2013/14

That the option to match the eligibility rules and award levels of the existing council tax benefit scheme be agreed as the Council's preferred option for its 2013/14 localised Council Tax Support Scheme and that consultation proceed on this basis.

Appointment of Council Representatives to Outside Organisations	That the Director of Corporate Resources, in consultation with the Leader of the Council and the Opposition Group Leader, as appropriate, be authorised to determine the appointment of representatives to serve on the outside organisations indicated in the Appendix to the report submitted to the meeting.
Complaint to the Local Government Ombudsman – Enforcement Matter	<p>(1) That the content of the Ombudsman’s report, attached as Appendix A to the report submitted to the meeting, be noted and that approval be given for the payment of compensation to the complainant and the 27 households most directly affected.</p> <p>(2) That the Ombudsman’s report be referred to the Environment Scrutiny Committee for consideration and comment.</p>
Review of the “Parking Standards Supplementary Planning Document” – Approval to Adopt	That approval be given to the adoption of the revised Car Parking Standards Supplementary Planning Document.
Draft “New Housing Development Supplementary Planning Document Update” – Approval for public consultation	That approval be given to the draft “ New Housing Development Supplementary Planning Document Update” to be published for public consultation for 6 weeks starting on 10 <sup>th</sup> September, 2012.
Consultation on the future of New Bradley Hall	<p>(1) That New Bradley Hall remain open as a residential care home for long term residents for the duration of their stay for current residents and for the foreseeable future</p> <p>(2) That a Stakeholder Working Group comprising Members of all political groups and other stakeholders be set up to consider the full range of the wider implications for all older people in the Borough.</p> <p>(3) That deliberations around New Bradley Hall be fed into a much wider review in the light of the impending White Paper and Social Care Bill for a complete review of adult social care strategy, this to be carried out at the highest level by a relevant Scrutiny Committee and that the Stakeholder Working Group above feed into the wider review.</p>

- Public Health
- (1) That minute number 111 of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2012 be rescinded.
  - (2) That the Office of Public Health be located within the Directorate of the Chief Executive and the Director of Public Health report directly to the Chief Executive.
  - (3) That the report be noted.

Exclusion of the Public

That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972, as specified below and, in all the circumstances, the public interest in disclosing the information is outweighed by the public interest in maintaining the exemption from disclosure.

<u>Description of Item</u>	<u>Relevant paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A</u>
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Staffing Issues – Directorate of Children’s Services	1
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Staffing Issues – Directorate of Children’s Services	That the termination of the contracts of employment of the officers referred to in the report submitted to the meeting be approved, on the grounds of redundancy, and to approve the negotiated enhanced severance payment, in accordance with the terms and conditions set out in the report.
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The details of each of the above items are set out in the reports submitted to the meeting of the Cabinet.

Copies of the public reports may be obtained from Democratic Services in the Directorate of Corporate Resources (contact 01384 815235 or e-mail [steve.griffiths@dudley.gov.uk](mailto:steve.griffiths@dudley.gov.uk)) or on the Committee Management Information System on the Council’s Website [www.dudley.gov.uk](http://www.dudley.gov.uk) and follow the links to Meetings and Decisions.

**Except where matters have been referred to the Council, the decisions will come into force, and may then be implemented, on the expiry of five working days of 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2012, unless a Scrutiny Committee objects to a decision and calls it in.**

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(Display until: 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 2012)