

**MEETING OF THE CABINET – 11<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2019**

**NOTICE OF DECISIONS**

**Notice is given** that the Cabinet, at its meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2019, made the following decisions in respect of the items listed.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Decisions</u>
Capital Programme Monitoring and Revenue Funding Bid	<p>(1) That the Council be recommended:</p> <p>(a) That current progress with the most significant capital schemes be noted.</p> <p>(b) That the Boundary Signage project be approved and included in the Capital Programme.</p> <p>(c) That subject to grant funding being confirmed, £2.33m of expenditure relating to the Very Light Rail Test Track 2 be included in the Capital Programme, and that pending such confirmation expenditure up to £250,000 be authorised 'at risk'.</p> <p>(d) That the capital budget for the Leisure Centre replacement and refurbishment project be increased.</p> <p>(e) That the urgent amendments to the Capital Programme be noted.</p> <p>(2) That the Strategic Director Place be authorised to continue developing an application for an extension of the Black Country Impact (BCI) project to 2023, submit the proposal to DWP by the deadline of 26<sup>th</sup> September 2019, and in the event that the bid is successful, accept the funding, enter into relevant funding agreements with partners, and deliver the funded programme expenditure.</p>
Adult Social Care Peer Challenge Feedback	<p>(1) That the findings from the Peer Challenge be noted.</p> <p>(2) That the Chief Officer Adult Social Care be authorised to drive the improvements identified in the report.</p> <p>(3) That the Leader and Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care write formally to the adult social care workforce to acknowledge the excellent outcome of the challenge.</p>

<p>Response to the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman Report (reference number: 17016386)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) That the findings and recommendations in the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman's report be accepted.</li> <li>(2) That the actions taken to remedy the performance of the Council be endorsed.</li> <li>(3) That the wider actions taken to improve the quality of the Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) service be approved.</li> </ul>
<p>Local Area SEND Inspection – Written Statement of Action Update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) That the key areas of strength and weakness from the Ofsted inspection, together with the requirement to submit a Written Statement of Action, be noted.</li> <li>(2) That the timetable of suggested actions for developing the Written Statement of Action be approved.</li> <li>(3) That the Head of Education Outcomes be authorised to lead on the Written Statement of Action for the local authority (LA) within the agreed timetable, involving collaborative working with Head of Whole Life Disability (LA operational lead for SEND), Head of Integrated Commissioning, Performance and Partnerships (LA commissioning lead for SEND), officers from Health and Wellbeing, the SEND Implementation Group, the Parent Carer Forum and the Dudley CCG.</li> <li>(4) That the list of actions identified for the Post Ofsted Action Plan (POAP) for the Local Area SEND Inspection, together with the opportunity to shape some of the key actions before the first draft of the POAP is completed, be noted.</li> </ul>
<p>The Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman's Annual Review Letter 2019</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) That the report and the Annual Review Letter from the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman be noted.</li> <li>(2) That the Strategic Executive Board and Chief Officers continue to ensure that requests for information on complaints are dealt with by the date requested to ensure that the Council maximises its performance on response times and the remedy of complaints is maintained.</li> <li>(3) That all Directorates continue to monitor and review their complaints actively to underpin ongoing good practice to achieve timely local resolution of complaints wherever possible.</li> </ul>

- (1) That the following recommendations of the Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee be endorsed:
- (a) To welcome the assurances given by the Dudley Group National Health Service (NHS) Foundation Trust on the changes being implemented to respond to the Care Quality Commission (CQC) inspections and support the continuous improvement of the services provided in Dudley Borough Hospitals.
  - (b) To place on record the appreciation of the hard work and dedication of all staff involved.
  - (c) To support the proactive and collaborative approach to partnership working between the NHS, the Council, the Clinical Commissioning Group and all partners to continue the improvement journey following the CQC report.
  - (d) To endorse the further development of a joint, co-ordinated strategy to reduce the numbers of people who attend the Emergency Department unnecessarily and at the right stage in health.
  - (e) To note that a detailed action plan has been submitted to the CQC and that arrangements are in place to ensure the ongoing monitoring of progress.

The details 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 (contact 01384 815238) or e-mail [democratic.services@dudley.gov.uk](mailto:democratic.services@dudley.gov.uk) or on the Committee Management Information System on the Council's Website ([www.dudley.gov.uk](http://www.dudley.gov.uk))

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 from 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2019 unless a Scrutiny Committee objects to a decision and calls it in.

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