

DECISION RECORD SHEETS

FOR

DECISIONS MADE AT THE

EXECUTIVE MEETING

HELD ON

THURSDAY, 29 MARCH 2018

DECISION SHEET**ACTION BY****111. Shareholders' Report**

Director of Corporate Services -
Graham Ebers

DECISION

That:

- 1) the budget monitoring position for the month ending 31 January 2018 be noted;
- 2) the operational update for the period to 31 January 2018 be noted.

Reason for Decision

The Executive agreed to monitor the work of the Council owned companies on a regular basis.

Alternative options considered and rejected at time of the decision

None

Any Conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member

Councillors David Lee, Norman Jorgensen and Stuart Munro declared personal interests

Any dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service in respect of any declared conflict of interest

None

DECISION SHEET**ACTION BY****112. Custom and Self-Build Housing Register Eligibility Criteria and Fees**Interim Director of Environment -
Josie Wragg**DECISION**

That:

- 1) the inclusion of a local connection test for the Wokingham Borough Self and Custom Build Register, as set out in the report, be approved;
- 2) the implementation date of 1 June 2018 for the local connection test be introduced for new and existing applicants.

Reason for Decision

Introduction of an eligibility criteria for the custom and self-build register will assist in ensuring that future action is focused on the needs of local residents.

Alternative options considered and rejected at time of the decision

None

Any Conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member

None

Any dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service in respect of any declared conflict of interest

None

DECISION SHEET

ACTION BY

113. St Nicholas Hurst Neighbourhood Plan Area Designation

Director of Corporate Services -
Graham Ebers

DECISION

That St Nicholas Hurst Parish be designated as a Neighbourhood Area.

Reason for Decision

The Council has a duty to consider applications for the designation of neighbourhood areas.

Alternative options considered and rejected at time of the decision

None

Any Conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member

None

Any dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service in respect of any declared conflict of interest

None

DECISION SHEET

ACTION BY

114. Selection of Preferred Registered Provider Partners

Director of Corporate Services -
Graham Ebers

DECISION

That:

- 1) the following Registered Providers (RP) be approved as Partners for the next five year period commencing on 1st April 2018, subject to satisfactory performance:

Bracknell Forest Homes (to be rebranded as Silva Homes during 2018)
Catalyst Housing Limited
Housing Solutions
Loddon Homes Limited
Southern Housing Group
Sovereign Housing Association
Thames Valley Housing
Vivid Housing Limited

- 2) the Council and the eight RPs enter into a Partnership Agreement. The Agreement will detail expectations and responsibilities, and will outline the basis for regular performance monitoring.

Reason for Decision

The Council's current partnership arrangements with Registered Providers is due to end in March 2018.

Alternative options considered and rejected at time of the decision

None

Any Conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member

None

Any dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service in respect of any declared conflict of interest

None

DECISION SHEET

ACTION BY

115. Foster Carer Benefits and Entitlements: Exemption of Council Tax

Interim Director of People
Services - Paul Senior

DECISION

That:

- 1) the proposal for Council tax exemption or payment equivalent to council tax for those living outside the Borough for Wokingham in-house foster carers as part of a retention and recruitment strategy to obtain sufficient in house foster carers for the children of Wokingham be approved;
- 2) the Council Tax Section 13A Policy be amended to include this proposal;
- 3) it be noted that the costs of this proposal are planned to be funded from the savings generated from transferring higher cost IFA carers to lower cost in-house carers.

Reason for Decision

To assist with the recruitment and retention of Foster Carers

Alternative options considered and rejected at time of the decision

None

Any Conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member

None

Any dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service in respect of any declared conflict of interest

None

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ACTION BY

116. Care Leavers Living Support: Exemption of Council Tax

Interim Director of People Services - Paul Senior

DECISION

That:

- 1) Council tax exemption or payment equivalent to council tax for those living outside the Borough be provided to Wokingham Borough Council care leavers up to the age of 21 years;
- 2) additional budget of £66,160 be approved for 2018/2019 onwards for the cost of this proposal;
- 3) the Council Tax Section 13A Policy be amended to include this proposal.

Reason for Decision

To provide additional support to the Council's care leavers

Alternative options considered and rejected at time of the decision

None

Any Conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member

None

Any dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service in respect of any declared conflict of interest

None

DECISION SHEET

ACTION BY

117. The Wokingham Borough Council (Arborfield Cross Relief Road) Compulsory Purchase Order Interim Director of Environment -
Josie Wragg

DECISION

That:

- 1) the Council make a compulsory purchase order ("CPO") for the acquisition of land and interests which are not already owned by the Council and new rights within the area as shown indicatively edged red on the draft plan at Appendix 1 of the report ("the Site") pursuant to sections 239, 240, 246, 250 and 260 of the Highways Act 1980 and section 13 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 and the Acquisition of Land Act 1981;
- 2) the Interim Director of Environment, in consultation with the Leader and Executive Member for Strategic Highways and Planning, be authorised to:
 - (a) continue to take all necessary steps to secure the making, the confirmation and, in accordance with a programme approved by the Executive, the implementation of the CPO including land referencing, serving any requisitions for information, preparing all necessary documentation (including the CPO, the Order Plan and the Statement of Reasons), publication and service of all relative notices, submission of the CPO to the Secretary of State for confirmation, and the presentation of the Council's case at any Public Inquiry; and
 - (b) approve terms for the acquisition of legal interests (including rights) by agreement including for the purposes of resolving any objections to the CPO and acquire all interests in the Site either compulsorily or by agreement;
 - (c) deal with objections to the CPO including agreeing terms for the withdrawal of objections and where possible or necessary enter into compromise agreements;
 - (d) remove from the CPO any plot or interest no longer required to be acquired compulsorily and to amend the interests scheduled in the CPO (if so advised);
 - (e) make amendments to the boundaries of the interests to be acquired if necessary;
 - (f) make any amendments to the Statement of Reasons annexed at Appendix 2 to the report as are considered necessary prior to its submission to the Secretary of State;
 - (g) confirm the CPO if granted the power to do so by the Secretary of State; and
 - (h) exercise the compulsory purchase powers authorised by the CPO by way of General Vesting Declaration[s] and/or notice to treat.

Reason for Decision

To enable delivery of the Arborfield Cross Relief Road

Alternative options considered and rejected at time of the decision

None

Any Conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member

None

Any dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service in respect of any declared conflict of interest

None

DECISION SHEET

ACTION BY

**118. Intelligent Traffic Systems Maintenance -
Business Case Approval**

Interim Director of Environment -
Josie Wragg

DECISION

That the Business Case, as set out in the report, for the pan-Berkshire procurement of a new Intelligent Traffic Systems (ITS) Maintenance Contract be approved.

Reason for Decision

Maintenance of ITS equipment is a statutory requirement

Alternative options considered and rejected at time of the decision

None

Any Conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member

None

**Any dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service in respect of any declared
conflict of interest**

None

DECISION SHEET

ACTION BY

119. Unauthorised Encampment Policy for Wokingham Borough Council

Director of Corporate Services -
Graham Ebers

DECISION

That:

- 1) signing of the joint protocol with the Thames Valley Police for dealing with unauthorised encampments across the Thames Valley Police operating area be delegated to the Director of Corporate Services;
- 2) the use of additional legal options available to Wokingham Borough Council be authorised for dealing with unauthorised encampments.

Reason for Decision

To improve the operational delivery of the removal of unauthorised encampments

Alternative options considered and rejected at time of the decision

None

Any Conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member

None

Any dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service in respect of any declared conflict of interest

None

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