

DECISION RECORD SHEETS

FOR

DECISIONS MADE AT THE

EXECUTIVE MEETING

HELD ON

MONDAY, 7 MARCH 2022

DECISION SHEET

ACTION BY

112. Corporate Peer Challenge Report and Action Plan

Chief Executive - Susan Parsonage

DECISION

That:

- 1) the final report of the Local Government Association Corporate Peer Challenge in November 2021, attached at Appendix 1 to the report, be noted;
- 2) the Action Plan attached at Appendix 2 that addresses the recommendations set out in the Corporate Peer Challenge report, be approved;
- 3) it be noted that the Local Government Association will be undertaking a “six month check-in” later in 2022 to allow the Council’s senior leadership to update on the Council’s progress against the action plan.

Reason for Decision

To agree an Action Plan to address the recommendations set out in the Corporate Peer Challenge report

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

113. Council Plan Refresh 2022/23

Chief Executive - Susan
Parsonage

DECISION

That:

- 1) the slight change in articulation of the strategic priorities as proposed be noted;
- 2) the proposed changes to the Council Plan, as summarised within the report and set out in Appendix 1, be agreed;
- 3) Council be recommended that the proposed changes to the Council Plan and updates to strategic themes are approved;
- 4) the Annual Review for 2020/21 as contained in Appendix 2 and highlights for 2021/22 as contained in Appendix 3 be adopted.

Reason for Decision

There is a need to refresh the Council Plan to pick up on emerging priorities

[NOTE: Please note that in accordance with Rule 6.3.34d) of the Council's Constitution this item is not subject to call-in]

Alternative options considered and rejected at time of the decision

None

Any Conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member

None

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None

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ACTION BY

114. Anti-Poverty Strategy - Position Statement

Deputy Chief Executive - Graham Ebers

DECISION

That:

- 1) progress in development of the Anti-Poverty Strategy be recognised;
- 2) the extensive work completed since Covid-19 to support those in poverty across the Borough, much of which has been done by, or in partnership with the voluntary and community sector be acknowledged; and
- 3) the provision of £500k from the Local Council Tax Support Schemes Grant be agreed with immediate effect to support further development and delivery of the initiatives being developed as part of the Strategy. Any future funding that is required to deliver the Strategy will be taken back to a future meeting of the Executive.

Reason for Decision

To agree the provision of money from the Local Council Tax Support Schemes Grant

Alternative options considered and rejected at time of the decision

None

Any Conflict of interest declared by any Executive Member

None

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None

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ACTION BY

115. Wokingham Borough Secondary School Places (11 to 16) Strategy

Director, Children's Services -
Helen Watson

DECISION

That:

- 1) the Wokingham Secondary School (11 to 16) Places Strategy 2022 be adopted;
- 2) the Strategy be adopted and a multi-year programme of secondary expansion at Piggott, St Crispin's and Emmbrook Schools, with other schools to be identified be approved, with authority delegated to the Director of Children's Services and the Executive Member for Children's Services to finalise agreements and the programme of works;
- 3) any necessary authority be delegated to the Director of Children's Services and the Director of Resources, acting in consultation with the Leader of the Council and the lead Member for Children's Services, to approve the procurement of the construction works and services as relevant to the secondary expansion strategy, with post 16 strategy and works programmes to be the subject of a later report to the Council's Executive.

Reason for Decision

The Council has a statutory duty to ensure that there are sufficient secondary school places in the Borough

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. Delivering the Gorse Ride Regeneration Project - Procurement of Construction Works and Services

Deputy Chief Executive - Graham Ebers

DECISION

That Council be recommended to:

- 1) approve the procurement business case of the construction works and services as relevant to the Gorse Ride Regeneration project;
- 2) give delegated authority to the Director of Resources and Assets and Director of Place and Growth to approve the awarding and execution of the construction works and services as relevant to Gorse Ride Regeneration within the funding envelope and the over-arching business case as presented to the Executive on 17th February 2022.

Reason for Decision

Due to the value of the construction work and services for the project Executive and Council approval is required

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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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