

Cabinet

Wednesday, 23 March 2022

Decisions

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Cabinet held on Wednesday, 23 March 2022. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

5 Corporate Strategy Quarterly Monitoring Report - Quarter 3 2021/22

Decision made

1. That the report be noted; and
2. That the recommendations of the Scrutiny Budget and Performance Panel be accepted.

6 Biodiversity Strategy and Environment Act 2021

Decision made

That permission be given to launch a public consultation on the formation of a Biodiversity Strategy for South Ribble.

7 Decarbonisation Works

Decision made

1. That Cabinet authorises a spend of £5,468,854.00 which includes a grant of £4,968,854.00 from the BEIS Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme (PSDS) and £500,000 allocated in the Council's Capital programme
2. That Cabinet approves the use of the UK Leisure Framework to complete the Decarbonisation work
3. That authority be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing to award the contract pursuant to recommendation 4.
4. That a report will come forward to full Council in April 2022 on proposals for a wider investment scheme into the Council's Leisure Centres.

8 Final Report and Recommendations of the Scrutiny Review of Health Inequalities

Decision made

That Cabinet accepts and supports the recommendations of the Scrutiny Review of Health Inequalities.

9 Holiday and Food Programme Update

Decision made

1. To note successful delivery of the 2021 HAF Programme.
2. To approve delivery proposals for the 2022 HAF Programme.
3. To delegate authority for allocation of additional resources from the COVID recovery fund to the Cabinet Members, to allow flexibility should additional capacity be required.
4. To authorise officers to lobby for any additional HAF funding which is available .

10 Revenue Budget Monitoring Quarter 3

Decision made

That Cabinet:

1. Notes the forecast position for revenue and reserves as at 31st January 2022.
2. Notes the virements to the revenue budget made during the period, as detailed in **Appendix 2** of the report.
3. Approves the creation of reserves from the forecast in-year underspend and the reallocation of existing reserves as follows:
 - Use of in year underspends for:
 - £30k to create a reserve to support communities in celebrating the Queen's Jubilee
 - £200k to create a reserve for business support, advice and grants to support economic recovery
 - £200k to create a reserve targeting fly-tipping and environmental improvements
 - £200k to create a reserve to support the creation of Apprentice, Graduate, and Trainee posts across the council
 - £200 to create a reserve to support the community hub Boost Fund, to support them in making a real impact in the community
 - £200k to create a reserve to provide support for sports clubs & community organisations
4. Approves the remaining forecast underspend of £392k to be allocated to a Covid reserve for future projects.
5. Notes and supports the recommendations of the Scrutiny Budget and Performance Panel.

11 Capital Budget Monitoring Report Quarter 3

Decision made

1. To approve the revised capital programme as attached at **Appendix A** which includes approved amendments to the programme, as detailed at point 11 of this report, since the last Capital Monitoring report was approved by Cabinet in November 2021;
2. To note the variations to the programme, (which are detailed, by scheme, at **Appendix B** and referenced within the body of the report);
3. To note the position in the Balance Sheet Monitoring section of the report in respect of cash, investment and loan balances as at 31st December 2021, and debtors as at 31st January 2022.
4. To note and support the recommendations of the Scrutiny Budget and Performance Panel.

12 Completion of the Penwortham to Howick Green Links Cycle and Pedestrian route

Decision made

1. That the contract for the completion of the cycle and pedestrian route from Penwortham Priory Park to Howick as part of the Green links network be awarded to Wade Group for the sum of £314,415 following a tender exercise carried in accordance with the Council's contract procedure rules.
2. The capital budget for the 'Green Link - Penwortham Holme to Howick' scheme is increased to £314,415 to match the tender price, with a transfer of £64,415 from the unallocated green links budget.

13 Naming of West Paddock Extra Care Facility

Decision made

To agree the proposed name for the development as "Jubilee Gardens".

14 Moss Side & Birch Avenue Playground Refurbishment Projects

Decision made

1. That Cabinet grants permission for the following:
 - i. To award the contract for the works at Moss Side, Leyland to Bidder 2 in Table 1, Appendix 1 at a cost of £175k.
 - ii. That authority to award the contract to the highest scoring bidder (yet to be identified) for Birch Avenue Playground be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Finance, Property & Assets in consultation with the Director of Customer and Digital

15 Exclusion of Press and Public

Decision made

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting.

16 Extra Care (West Paddock) - Stage 4 Approval

Decision made

1. To approve the request to progress the scheme to RIBA Stage 4.
2. To approve the request to incur additional expenditure of £500,000 from the approved capital budget of £10,000,000, (making a total approved expenditure of £700,000) to cover the Stage 3 and Stage 4 design fees.

17 Leyland Town Deal - Acquisitions and Leases

Decision made

1. To acknowledge the previous approval of South Ribble Borough Council's (the Council's) freehold interests in the 4 plots identified in the report of the Record of Executive Member Decision Taken Under the Scheme of Delegation.
2. To approve the proposed terms in the plots specified in paragraphs 5 and 6 of the report.
3. To delegate any amendments to both Heads of Terms to the Director of Commercial Services, in conjunction with the Leader of the Council.