

BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL
POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

4.00pm 7 OCTOBER 2021

HOVE TOWN HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBER

DECISION LIST

Part One

30 TARGETED BUDGET MANAGEMENT (TBM) 2021/22: MONTH 5 (AUGUST)

Contact Officer: Nigel Manvell

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Ward Affected: All Wards

RESOLVED: That the Committee –

- (i) Noted the forecast risk position for the General Fund, which indicates a potential forecast overspend risk of £4.159m. This is net of an underspend of £0.843m on the council's share of the NHS managed Section 75 services;
- (ii) Noted the forecast for the Housing Revenue Account (HRA), which is currently an overspend of £0.978m;
- (iii) Noted the forecast risk position for the Dedicated Schools Grant which is an overspend of £0.475m;
- (iv) Noted the forecast outturn position on the capital programme which is a forecast underspend of £3.959m and approve the variations and slippage in Appendix 6 and new schemes as set out in Appendix 7;
- (v) Agreed to allocate the remaining 2021/22 Contain Outbreak Management Funding of £1.615m to cover pandemic-driven pressures across Homelessness and Rough Sleeping.

31 CORPORATE KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR TARGET SETTING 2021/22

Contact Officer: Richard Miles

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Ward Affected: All Wards

RESOLVED: That the Committee -

- (i) Approved the Corporate KPI set and associated targets as set out in Appendix 2;
- (ii) Noted that target figures may change during the year if new benchmarking figures become available. P&R approval will be sought at a future date if there is a proposal to change the set itself or the rationale for a particular target.

32 CORPORATE PROCUREMENT OF THE COUNCIL'S WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICES

Contact Officer: Kelvin Newman Tel: 01273 290599
Ward Affected: All Wards

RESOLVED: That the Committee granted delegated authority to the Executive Director of Economy, Environment & Culture to enter into a call off contract using the YPO (Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation) Central Purchasing Body framework (Water, Wastewater and Ancillary Services – 1008) for the Council's water supply and wastewater services, for a maximum term of 32 months.

33 MANAGED SERVICES FOR TEMPORARY AGENCY RESOURCE

Contact Officer: Alison Mcmanamon Tel: 01273 290511
Ward Affected: All Wards

RESOLVED: That the Committee agreed that the Executive Director Finance & Resources be granted delegated authority to procure and award a contract, in accordance with the approach outlined in 4.3 to provide the Council with a Managed Service for temporary agency staff for an initial term of three years with an option to extend for two further periods of 12 months provided that the Executive Director consults with the Procurement Advisory Board before exercising the power to extend the contract.

34 GRANT OF OPTION AND LEASE AT LAND AT CORNER OF NEW ENGLAND STREET AND NEW ENGLAND ROAD

Contact Officer: Angela Dymott Tel: 01273 291450
Ward Affected: All Wards

RESOLVED: That the Committee –

- (i) Noted the importance of ensuring any redevelopment of the site provides affordable homes at social rents and doesn't force those

existing residents currently living in the shipping containers into poor and unacceptable accommodation, and considers these central priorities at the heart of any redevelopment;

- (ii) Granted delegated authority for the Executive Director of Economy, Environment and Culture to finalise legal agreements including an option agreement and the grant of a 250 year lease to QED to facilitate the mixed use redevelopment of the whole site, subject to guaranteeing the points outlined in 2.1, in terms of affordable housing and accommodation for existing residents. Should these requirements not be met then a report to future Policy and Resources would be required prior to finalising any agreement.

35 ALLOCATION OF CARBON NEUTRAL FUND

Contact Officer: Rachel Williams
Ward Affected: All Wards

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RESOLVED: That the Committee –

- (i) Approved the allocation of £3.110m of the Carbon Neutral Fund to the climate action projects as set out in Appendix 1 of this report;
- (ii) Agreed to delegate the decision to allocate the remaining £0.108m to the Executive Director Economy, Environment & Culture, in consultation with the cross-party 2030 Carbon Neutral Member Working Group as set out in paragraph 3.6.

36 NEXT STEPS - ROUGH SLEEPING AND ACCOMMODATION DURING COVID 19 PANDEMIC AND RECOVERY

Contact Officer: Sylvia Peckham
Ward Affected: All Wards

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RESOLVED: That the Committee –

- (i) Approved a capital budget of £2.800m to be included in the HRA Capital Investment Programme 2021/22 financed by HRA Borrowing of £2.100m funded by the rental stream and an MHCLG contribution of £0.700m. This is for the purchase of 12 new homes to deliver a Housing Led Support scheme for higher need rough sleepers;
- (ii) Approved a capital budget of £3.240m be included in the General fund Capital Investment Programme 2021/22 for the acquisition of 30 properties on 10-year leases to deliver Rapid Re-housing for lower need rough sleepers. This would be funded by a contribution from MHCLG of

£1.163m and will require borrowing of £2.080m, funded by the rental stream;

- (iii) Approved the extension of emergency short term hotels from October until March 2022 in light of continuing pressures of those to whom the council owes a statutory accommodation duty under the Homelessness Reduction Act in emergency accommodation;
- (iv) Agreed to use the remaining 2021/22 Contain Management Outbreak Fund (COMF) grant (estimated at £1.615m) to support the continuing pressures caused by the pandemic of those in emergency accommodation to whom the council owes a Housing duty;
- (v) Agreed to the acquisition of a hotel to deliver in the region of 15 - 20 rooms to enable provision for the SWEF between October 2021 and March 2022.

37 HOUSING ASSET MANAGEMENT IT SYSTEM REPLACEMENT

Contact Officer: Ododo Dafe
Ward Affected: All Wards

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RESOLVED: That the Committee –

- (i) Granted delegated authority to the Executive Director Housing, Neighbourhoods & Communities to:
 - Procure a new asset management IT system for the councils' housing service;
 - Award a contract with the preferred supplier for a period of five years, with an option to extend by two years subject to satisfactory supplier performance.
- (ii) Agreed that the approval of a £0.515m budget to be added to the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) capital programme for the project's procurement and implementation activity.

38 ITEMS REFERRED FOR COUNCIL

RESOLVED: It was agreed that no items be referred for the next meeting of Full Council.