

**BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL**  
**STRATEGY, FINANCE & CITY REGENERATION COMMITTEE**

**4.00pm 5 OCTOBER 2023**

**COUNCIL CHAMBER, HOVE TWON HALL**

# **DECISION LIST**

## **Part One**

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### **62 TARGETED BUDGET MANAGEMENT (TBM) 2023/24: MONTH 5 (AUGUST)**

*Contact Officer:* Jeff Coates  
*Ward Affected:* All Wards

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**RESOLVED:** That the Committee –

- (i) Noted the forecast risk position for the General Fund, which indicates a potential forecast overspend risk of £8.971m. This includes an overspend of £0.235m on the council's share of the NHS managed Section 75 services.
- (ii) Noted the escalated recruitment and spending controls summarised in Section 12 that have been applied from 5 July to assist in mitigating the overspend forecast over the remaining months of the financial year.
- (iii) Noted the forecast for the Housing Revenue Account (HRA), which is currently a break-even position.
- (iv) Noted the forecast position for the Dedicated Schools Grant which is currently an overspend of £0.680m.
- (v) Noted the forecast outturn position on the capital programme which is a forecast overspend of £0.412m and approve the variations and slippage in Appendix 6 and new schemes as set out in Appendix 7.
- (vi) Noted the Treasury Management Update as set out in Appendix 8.

### **63 CONSTITUTION REVIEW**

**RESOLVED:** That the Committee -

- (i) Recommends to full Council that it approves the proposed changes set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 below and reflected in Appendices 1, 1A & 2 and authorises the Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer to take all steps necessary or incidental to implement the changes and re-publish the Council's updated constitutional documents.
- (ii) Approved the setting up of a Task & Finish Sub-Committee to make decisions in relation to the charity known as the Penny Gobby House School as set out in paragraph 5 in the report.

#### **64 AMENDMENT TO REDEPLOYMENT POLICY**

*Ward Affected: All Wards*

**RESOLVED:** That the Committee –

- (i) Agreed to change the qualifying service requirement in the redeployment policy as follows (proposed changed wording in bold): *Employees will be entitled to go onto the redeployment register if their continued employment is at risk due to redundancy if they have over 2 years service, **or if they have under 2 years service but are on an employment contract that is due to be at least two years' duration***
- (ii) Agreed the draft amended Redeployment Policy at Appendix 2 to the report.

#### **65 NEW AND AMENDED HUMAN RESOURCES POLICIES**

*Ward Affected: All Wards*

**RESOLVED:** That the Committee

- (i) Agreed the amended policies on Secondments, Additional Payments and Recruitment.
- (ii) Agreed the new Policy on the Use of Fixed Term Contracts.

#### **66 OUR PEOPLE STRATEGY 2023 TO 2027**

*Contact Officer: Kenneth Simpson                      Tel: 01273 291355*  
*Ward Affected: All Wards*

**RESOLVED:** That Committee agrees Our People Strategy as described in the report and set out at Appendix 2.

#### **67 COLLABORATIVE PROCUREMENT OF HARD FACILITIES MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS - PLANNED BUILDING MAINTENANCE**

*Ward Affected: All Wards*

**RESOLVED:** That the Committee granted delegated authority to the Executive Director of Economy, Environment & Culture to procure a planned maintenance work framework agreement as detailed in Appendix 1 and to let call-off contracts for works in accordance with that framework agreement. Call off contracts shall be awarded via mini competition under the framework agreement for a duration of up to four years subject to satisfactory performance. Paragraph 3.1.5 sets out the approximate spends for the two sovereign authorities.

## **68 7 CROWHURST ROAD**

*Contact Officer: Jessica Hamilton Tel: 01273 291461*  
*Ward Affected: Patcham & Hollingbury*

**RESOLVED:** That the Committee

- (i) Approved a 1-year fixed deal with Brighton & Hove Bus & Coach Company on the basis of 90% of pre-covid payments for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024;
- (ii) Approved a 1-year fixed deal with Stagecoach South on the basis of 90% of pre-covid payments for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024;
- (iii) Granted delegated authority to the Executive Director Environment, Economy and Culture, exercised in consultation with the Chair and Deputy Chair of this committee, to take all steps necessary to conclude the 1 year fixed contracts for travel concession in line with recommendation 2.1.and 2.2

## **69 CONCESSIONARY FARES 2023-24**

*Contact Officer: Paul Nicholls Tel: 01273 293287*  
*Ward Affected: All Wards*

**RESOLVED:** That the Committee

- (i) Approved a 1-year fixed deal with Brighton & Hove Bus & Coach Company on the basis of 90% of pre-covid payments for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024;
- (ii) Approved a 1-year fixed deal with Stagecoach South on the basis of 90% of pre-covid payments for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024;
- (iii) Granted delegated authority to the Executive Director Environment, Economy and Culture to take all steps necessary to conclude the 1 year fixed contracts for travel concession in line

with recommendation 2.1.and 2.2.

**70 LEASE END HANDBACK 71-73 GRAND PARADE, BRIGHTON**

*Contact Officer: Martin Reid*  
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**RESOLVED:** That the Committee -

- (i) Delegated authority to the Executive Director Housing, Neighbourhoods and Communities, in consultation with the Chair of the Housing & New Homes Committee, to negotiate a dilapidations settlement with Southern Housing Group in relation to the lease end hand back of 71- 73 Grand Parade and to carry out works associated with the hand back process such as tenancy transfers.
- (ii) Agreed appropriation of 71-73 Grand Parade on its return to the Council from General Fund to the Housing Revenue Account at best consideration to be confirmed by an external valuer.
- (iii) Approved a capital budget up to the value outlined in the part 2 paper to be included in the HRA capital programme for 2023/24.

**71 EXTERNAL AUDITORS ANNUAL REPORT 2022/23**

**RESOLVED:** That the Committee noted the Auditor's Annual Report (Value For Money) for the financial year ending 31 March 2023.