

EXECUTIVE BOARD

SUMMARY OF DECISIONS

THURSDAY, 11TH JANUARY, 2024

(Note: any verbal updates provided by Executive Members and the Youth MPs will be summarised in the Minutes of the meeting)

	ITEM	RECOMMENDATION	Key Action
2	Minutes of the Previous Meeting	That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 7 th December 2024 be approved as a correct record.	Recommendations Approved
Leader			
Adult Social Care & Health			
Children, Young People & Education			
8.1	Schools Capital Programme	That the Executive Board: 1: Approves the attached list of projects as detailed in Appendix 2 for inclusion in the 2023-2024 Schools and Education capital programme funded from School Condition Allocation and Devolved Formula Capital. 2: Approves the variations to the 2022/2023 capital programme for schemes across both Audley Infants and Audley Junior Schools and Meadowhead Infants and Junior Schools. 3: Delegates authority to the Strategic Director of Children's & Education in consultation with the Executive Member for Children, Young People and Education to undertake the procurement for the works in accordance with the Contracts & Procurement Procedure Rules in the Council's Constitution. 4: Subject to (5) below, approves expenditure to be incurred on	Recommendations Approved

		<p>individual projects, in line with the Council’s Financial Procedure Rules.</p> <p>5: Agrees that projects proposed to be funded from s106 Agreements will not commence until funding under those agreements has been received by the Council.</p> <p>6: Notes that reports will be provided for the Executive Member detailing any variations/amendments to programmes of work and seeking necessary approvals where these are required to ensure compliance with financial instructions and the Constitution.</p>	
Environment & Operations			
Public Health, Prevention & Wellbeing			
8.2	Sexual Health Strategy 2023-28	<p>Ahead of moving the recommendations in the report, Councillor Damian Talbot moved a minor amendment to the title of the Strategy, to reflect the change of year, namely Sexual Health Strategy 2024-28.</p> <p>That the Executive Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commits to the sexual health priorities and objectives contained within this strategy. • Approves the sexual health strategy. 	Recommendations Approved
Digital & Customer Services			
Growth & Development			
8.3	Purchase of Land and Buildings at Holden Fold for 'Specialist Affordable Housing Provision'	<p>1. That the Executive Board:</p> <p>1.1 Notes the proposal for the Council to acquire the ‘Beehive Mill’ site, with full vacant possession, with the intention to develop the site for specialist affordable housing.</p>	Recommendations Approved

		<p>1.2 Grants approval for the purchase of the site for the agreed price outlined in the part 2 report.</p> <p>1.3 Grants approval to use existing funds from the Section 106 Affordable Homes budget to purchase the site. Note the Council has adequate funds to support affordable housing provision.</p> <p>1.4 Authorises the Growth Programme Director to finalise and complete the Heads of Terms for the purchase of the site.</p> <p>1.5 Notes Countryside Homes interest to acquire a strip of land within the site as indicated on the plan attached at Appendix A (land shaded blue) with the purpose to facilitate the construction of two dwellings within their proposed development, subject to planning.</p> <p>1.6 Grants approval for the Council to deal with Countryside Homes as Special Purchaser and agree terms for the disposal of the strip of land at the agreed price outlined in the part 2 report. The capital receipt is to be repaid to the Section 106 Affordable Homes budget.</p> <p>1.7 Authorises the Growth Programme Director in consultation with the Executive Member for Growth and Development to finalise and complete the disposal terms of the strip of land to Countryside Homes.</p> <p>1.8 Authorises the Growth Programme Director in consultation with the Executive Member for Growth and Development to finalise and complete terms to lease the site (Appendix A land edged red) to Countryside Homes for use as a temporary site compound for 4 years (plus 1 year option to extend) with a lease obligation to demolish the buildings and clear the site in lieu of an annual lease payment for the site.</p> <p>1.9 Authorises the Deputy Director of Legal and Governance to complete the necessary legal formalities in the purchase of the site, disposal of the strip of land and granting of the lease.</p>	
Finance & Governance			
8.4	Development of the General Fund Revenue Budget (including details	It is recommended that Executive Board:-	Recommendations Approved

	<p>of the Provisional Local Government Finance Settlement 2024/25)</p>	<p>a) note the outcome of the provisional Local Government Finance Settlement for 2024/25 as set out in the report;</p> <p>b) note the response to the provisional Local Government Finance Settlement for 2024/25 as set out at Appendix A;</p> <p>c) note that further work is required to determine the estimate of Business Rates Retained for 2024/25 which will reflect the Council’s local knowledge/circumstances and that this has begun following the release of guidance from Government on this matter;</p> <p>d) acknowledge that the estimates of Council Tax income presented in the report are subject to decision by Finance Council on 26th February 2024 and are, therefore, indicative at this stage;</p> <p>e) note the updated Medium Term Financial Plan 2023/26 and this will be further updated once decisions on the Council’s budget are taken at Finance Council on 26th February 2024.</p>	
<p>PART 2</p>			
<p>11.1</p>	<p>Purchase of Land and Buildings at Holden Fold for 'Specialist Affordable Housing Provision'</p>	<p>1. That the Executive Board:</p> <p>1.1 Notes the proposal for the Council to acquire the ‘Beehive Mill’ site, with full vacant possession, with the intention to develop the site for specialist affordable housing.</p> <p>1.2 Grants approval for the purchase of the site for the agreed price outlined in the part 2 report.</p> <p>1.3 Grants approval to use existing funds from the Section 106</p>	<p>Recommendations Approved</p>

- Affordable Homes budget to purchase the site. Note the Council has adequate funds to support affordable housing provision.
- 1.4 Authorises the Growth Programme Director to finalise and complete the Heads of Terms for the purchase of the site.
 - 1.5 Notes Countryside Homes interest to acquire a strip of land within the site as indicated on the plan attached at Appendix A (land shaded blue) with the purpose to facilitate the construction of two dwellings within their proposed development, subject to planning.
 - 1.6 Grants approval for the Council to deal with Countryside Homes as Special Purchaser and agree terms for the disposal of the strip of land at the agreed price outlined in the part 2 report. The capital receipt is to be repaid to the Section 106 Affordable Homes budget.
 - 1.7 Authorises the Growth Programme Director in consultation with the Executive Member for Growth and Development to finalise and complete the disposal terms of the strip of land to Countryside Homes.
 - 1.8 Authorises the Growth Programme Director in consultation with the Executive Member for Growth and Development to finalise and complete terms to lease the site (Appendix A land edged red) to Countryside Homes for use as a temporary site compound for 4 years (plus 1 year option to extend) with a lease obligation to demolish the buildings and clear the site in lieu of an annual lease payment for the site.
 - 1.9 Authorises the Deputy Director of Legal and Governance to complete the necessary legal formalities in the purchase of the site, disposal of the strip of land and granting of the lease.

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