

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Thursday 10th November 2022

PRESENT

COUNCILLOR:

Councillor Phil Riley
Councillor Julie Gunn
Councillor Jim Smith
Councillor Damian Talbot
Councillor Mustafa Desai

PORTFOLIO:

Leader of the Council
Children, Young People & Education
Environment & Operations
Public Health, Prevention & Wellbeing
Adult Social Care & Health

EXECUTIVE MEMBER

Councillor John Slater

NON PORTFOLIO

Leader of the Conservative Group

ALL IN ATTENDANCE:

Muhammed Bapu

Youth MP

	Item	Action
1	<u>Welcome and Apologies</u> The Leader of the Council, Councillor Phil Riley, welcomed all to the meeting. Apologies were received from Councillors Mahfooz Hussain, Vicky McGurk and Quesir Mahmood, and from the Deputy Youth MPs Kasim Shah and Hasti Jahanghiri.	
2	<u>Minutes of the Previous Meeting</u> The Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 th October 2022 were agreed as a correct record.	Agreed
3	<u>Declarations of Interest</u> Councillor Damian Talbot declared an Interest in Agenda Item 8.5- Corporate Complaints Monitoring Report – Employed by the Member of Parliament for Blackburn. Councillor John Slater declared an interest in Agenda Item 8.2 – Schools Capital Programme 2022-23 - School Governor.	
4	<u>Equality Implications</u> The Chair asked Members to confirm that they had considered and understood any Equality Impact Assessments associated with reports on the agenda ahead of making any decisions.	Confirmed
5	<u>Public Forum</u>	

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	No questions had been received from members of the public.	
6	<u>Questions by Non-Executive Member</u>	
	No questions had been received from Non-Executive Members.	
7	<u>Youth MPs Update</u>	
	<p>The Youth MPs, Muhammad Bapu verbally reported on recent events and activities including :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recruitment of 9 new Youth Forum Members. • Attendance at the Leaving Care Forum event at Kaleidoscope. • Discussions with the Public Health Team on Junk Food advertisements and the approach to these with schools. • The 7th Annual Takeover Challenge at King George's Hall, which focused on the Child Food Poverty campaign, which was attended by over 80 young people. • The 2022 UK Youth Parliament House of Commons sitting in London, which Mohammed found an enjoyable and informative experience. The chosen 2023 campaign focus was the 'Cost of Living'. <p>Members of the Executive Board commended Muhammed and the Youth Forum for their excellent continuing contribution.</p> <p><u>Executive Member Reports.</u></p> <p><u>Leader's Update</u></p> <p>Councillor Phil Riley verbally reported on the current status of funding bids recently submitted.</p>	Noted
8.1	<p><u>Contract Award for Domiciliary Care (Adults) following completion of procurement exercise.</u></p> <p>A report was submitted advising that the provision of the Domiciliary Care (Adults) service had been retendered due to the previous framework coming to an end. The Domiciliary Care (Adults) service formed part of an essential provision which served residents in need within Blackburn with Darwen Borough. The report covered the award of the framework for Domiciliary Care services in the Borough following a procurement exercise.</p> <p>RESOLVED -</p> <p>That the Executive Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approves the awarding and commencement of the new framework agreement to the successful contractors (see below – Tier 1, 2 and Rural area providers) following completion of the procurement exercise which was undertaken through the council's e-procurement portal The Chest. The contract term is 	Noted
		Approved

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	<p>for 3 years with an option to extend for a further two years (1 year plus 1 year) subject to satisfactory delivery which will be monitored via robust contract management and review processes. The contract start date is to be the 1st December 2022.</p> <p>Tier 1: Main Framework Providers</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Guardian Homecare UK Ltd 2 Homecare For You Ltd 3 Premier Care Ltd 4 I Care (GB) Ltd 5 Cherish UK Ltd 6 Sky Futures Ltd (trading as Choice Care) 7 Delta Care Ltd <p>Tier 2: Framework Providers</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Orchid Home Care Support Ltd 2 Curantis Healthcare Ltd 3 Willowbrook (Hyndburn) Ltd <p>Rural Area: Providers</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Guardian Homecare UK Ltd 2 Premier Care Ltd 3 Orchid Home Care Support Ltd 4 Sky Futures Ltd t/a Choice Care 5 Willowbrook (Hyndburn) Ltd <p>Notes that the Strategic Director Adults & Health shall award and sign the final contract following the completion of procurement process.</p>	Noted
8.2	<p><u>Schools Capital Programme 2022-2023</u></p> <p>Members received a report which presented for consideration and approval the Capital Programme for Schools and Education for 2022-2023 academic year as detailed within the report.</p> <p>RESOLVED –</p> <p>That the Executive Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1: Approves the attached list of projects as detailed in Appendix 2 for inclusion in the 2022-2023 Schools and Education capital programme funded from School Condition Allocation and Devolved Formula Capital. 2: Delegates authority to the Strategic Director of Children's & Education in consultation with the Executive Member for Children, 	<p>Approved</p> <p>Approved</p>

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	<p>Young People and Education to undertake the procurement for the works in accordance with the Contracts & Procurement Procedure Rules in the Council's Constitution.</p> <p>3: Subject to (4) below, approves expenditure to be incurred on individual projects, in line with the Council's Financial Procedure Rules.</p> <p>4: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>5: 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>	<p>Approved</p> <p>Approved</p> <p>Noted</p>
8.3	<p><u>Childcare Sufficiency Statement 2022</u></p> <p>A report was submitted, advising the Executive Board of the outcomes of the Childcare Sufficiency Assessment 2022 in respect of the Local Authority's statutory duty under The Childcare Act 2006 and 2016.</p> <p>The report provided detail in terms of Supply, Demand, Free Funded Early Education places, Quality and Childcare costs.</p> <p>RESOLVED –</p> <p>That the Executive Board:</p> <p>Notes and approves the content of the Childcare Sufficiency Assessment 2022.</p>	<p>Noted and Approved</p>
8.4	<p><u>Blackburn with Darwen Positive Ageing Framework</u></p> <p>The Executive Board received a report which explained that the Positive Ageing Framework was designed to improve and support positive, healthy ageing for the population of Blackburn with Darwen and the report outlined the approach and aims.</p> <p>The Framework provided key opportunities for action across all partners and stakeholders and would be used to inform service development and delivery, commissioning and policy and strategy development to support positive ageing in the Borough.</p> <p>RESOLVED –</p> <p>That the Executive Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note the key issues and challenges facing the borough with an ageing population and acknowledge the opportunities to support our population to age well through the Positive Ageing Framework. Acknowledge and support the need for a collaborative, whole system approach across the life course to support healthy active ageing in Blackburn with Darwen. 	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approve the Positive Ageing Framework. 	Noted
8.5	<p><u>Corporate Complaints Monitoring Report April 2021-March 2022</u></p> <p>A report was submitted which set out the complaints and compliments received by the Council for the period 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022. This information had been compared to data collected from previous years to allow reasonable comparison.</p> <p>RESOLVED –</p> <p>That the Executive Board notes the report.</p>	Noted
8.6	<p><u>Corporate Revenue Budget Monitoring Quarter 2 2022-23</u></p> <p>The Executive Board was provided with an update on the Council's Revenue Budget for 2022/23 on the basis of a budget monitoring exercise undertaken at the end of September 2022.</p> <p>RESOLVED-</p> <p>It is recommended that Executive Board:-</p> <p>a) give approval to the Portfolio Cash Limit Adjustments as outlined in Appendix 1;</p> <p>b) note the General Fund Budget Summary position as at 30th September 2022;</p> <p>c) in view of the forecast overspend of £7.590m, the Executive Board request Portfolio Holders to review their budgets for the remainder of 2022/23 with a view to addressing the issues identified and limiting the amount of monies that would be required to be taken from reserves at financial year end</p> <p>d) note the Earmarked Reserves and General Fund Balance position as at 30th September 2022.</p>	<p>Approved</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Approved</p> <p>Noted</p>
8.7	<p><u>Treasury Management Mid-Year Strategy Review for 2022/23</u></p> <p>Members received an update with regard to the Treasury Management position to date, and the proposed Strategy for the remainder of 2022/23.</p> <p>RESOLVED –</p> <p>It is recommended that the Executive Board:</p> <p>1. notes the Treasury Management position for the year to</p>	Noted

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	<p>date, and approves the proposed Strategy for the remainder of the year, detailed in Appendix 1, and</p> <p>2. Approves that there are no changes to the existing Treasury and Prudential Indicators for 2022/23, as set at Executive Board on 10th March 2022 and updated at Executive Board on 8th September 2022.</p>	Approved
8.8	<p><u>Corporate Capital Budget and Balance Sheet Monitoring Report 2022/23 – Quarter 2</u></p> <p>A report was submitted on the overall financial position of the Council in respect of the Capital Programme at 30th September 2022, highlighting key issues and explaining variations in the first 6 months of the year.</p> <p>RESOLVED -</p> <p>The Executive Board is asked:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To approve the revised capital programme as per Appendix 1, • To approve the variations to the programme shown in Appendix 2. <p>Signed at a meeting of the Board</p> <p>on 8th December 2022</p> <p>(being the ensuing meeting on the Board)</p> <p>Chair of the meeting at which the Minutes were confirmed</p>	<p>Approved</p> <p>Approved</p>