

CABINET

20 JUNE 2013

DECISIONS NOTICE

(PUBLISHED ON FRIDAY 21 JUNE 2013)

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken on the substantive items at the meeting of the Cabinet held on Thursday 20 June 2013. These decisions will be implemented on the expiry of 5 clear working days, unless there is a call-in of any of the decisions (for details on how to do this, please contact Nicola Fletcher, Democratic & Electoral Services Officer, on 020 8416 8050 or by email nicola.fletcher@harrow.gov.uk or Una Sullivan, Democratic & Electoral Services Officer, on 020 8424 1785 or by email una.sullivan@harrow.gov.uk) in which case any such decision may not be implemented until the resolution of the call-in process. If no request for call-in is received by 5.00 pm on Friday 28 June 2013 then the decisions will be implemented.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Daksha Ghelani, Senior Democratic Services Officer on 020 8424 1881 or by email daksha.ghelani@harrow.gov.uk.

9 Housing Business Plan 2013, consultation draft Asset Management Strategy, Proposals for a future Affordable Housing Programme, and Proposed Grants to Move Scheme

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the Housing Business Plan 2013, at Appendix 1 to the report, be approved;
- (2) the consultation draft Asset Management Strategy, at Appendix 2 to the report, be approved;
- (3) officers be authorised to proceed with the first phase of the Affordable Housing Programme, set out at Appendix 3 to the report, and the Corporate Director of Community, Health and Wellbeing and the Portfolio Holder for Community and Cultural Services and Housing be authorised to approve alternative sites if those identified were unable to be progressed;

- (4) expenditure from HRA reserves, HRA capital receipts and the Affordable Housing Fund of up to £6.5m to fund the development of the first phase of the Affordable Housing Programme be approved;
- (5) officers be authorised to procure an external Development Management Service with a value of up to 5% of the estimated development costs to support the first phase of the Affordable Housing Programme, as set out in Appendix 3 to the report;
- (6) officers be authorised to undertake detailed regeneration feasibilities on the HRA housing estates, as set out in the Affordable Housing Programme at Appendix 3 to the report;
- (7) officers be authorised to develop Business Cases for long term strategic housing delivery options, as set out at Appendix 3 to the report;
- (8) the Grants to Move Scheme, attached at Appendix 4 to the report, be approved and the Corporate Director of Community, Health and Wellbeing, the Director of Finance and Assurance and the Portfolio Holder for Community and Cultural Services and Housing be granted delegated authority to approve amendments to the Scheme as necessary to ensure the Scheme objectives were achieved to time and within budget.

Reason for Decision: To have in place an agreed 30 year Housing Business Plan for the purposes of long term planning (subject to annual review) and to enable delivery of agreed key housing objectives.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: As set out in the officer report.

Conflict of Interest relating to the matter declared by Cabinet Member / Dispensation Granted: None.

10 Parking Charges Review Implementation

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the new on-street and off-street tiered parking charges and standard charging periods in paragraph 2.10 of the report be agreed and statutory consultation be authorised to amend the Traffic Regulation Orders;
- (2) the Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Environment and Community Safety be delegated authority to consider representations received from the statutory consultation and to agree the final Scheme for implementation;
- (3) a trial locally in Rayners Lane with a variation to the tiered parking charges that permits the first 20 minutes of on-street parking free be implemented;
- (4) a before and after study on the trial in Rayners Lane be undertaken and a report be submitted to Cabinet to allow consideration of the outcome of the

study with a view to a wider implementation across the borough as soon as was practicably possible.

Reason for Decision: To implement a new charging regime for on and off street parking to enable the borough to simplify parking charges and better support the local economy.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: As set out in the report.

Conflict of Interest relating to the matter declared by Cabinet Member / Dispensation Granted: None.

11 **Appointment of Contractors to deliver Repairs and Maintenance to Corporate Properties and Schools**

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the Council be authorised to enter into a framework agreement commencing on 1 August 2013 for a period of up to four years, subject to performance review at the end of Year 3, for the provision of Responsive Repairs and Maintenance Works in Lots to Corporate Properties and Schools with the companies listed below:

Lot 1 General Build – 1st D & L Contract Services; 2nd Terry & Stephens; 3rd Mead Building Services

Lot 2 Fencing – 1st D & L Contract Services; 2nd Terry & Stephens

Lot 3 Plumbing – 1st Blackbourne Integrated Services; 2nd Terry and Stephens; 3rd Mead Building Services

Lot 4 Electrical – 1st SCC International; 2nd Blackbourne Integrated Services; 3rd P3 Electrical Services

Lot 5 Drainage and External Works – 1st D & L Contract Services; 2nd P & R Installations Company Limited

Lot 6 Gas and Heating – 1st R & L Paul; 2nd P & R Installations Company Limited;

- (2) the Corporate Director of Environment and Enterprise, in consultation with the Director of Legal and Governance Services, be delegated authority to agree the final contract details with the contractors and to award call off contracts under the framework agreement throughout the term of the framework agreement.

Reason for Decision: The evaluation of the tenders received had been conducted to arrive at the most economically advantageous bids. The framework structure was designed to maintain a degree of competitiveness and resilience throughout the 4-year framework period.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: As set out in the report.

Conflict of Interest relating to the matter declared by Cabinet Member / Dispensation Granted: None.

12 Draft Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the draft Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) on Planning Obligations, attached as Appendix 1 to the report, be approved for publication for formal public consultation to be undertaken in accordance with the Council's Statement of Community Involvement;
- (2) it be noted that the consultation period would be extended.

Reason for Decision: To ensure the SPD, when adopted, was afforded weight as a material planning consideration. To reflect the Council's proposal to introduce a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and to clarify the relationship between CIL and Planning Obligations to reduce the planning risk of 'double dipping' when seeking or securing contributions from development towards specific infrastructure requirements.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: As set out in the report.

Conflict of Interest relating to the matter declared by Cabinet Member / Dispensation Granted: None.

13 Adoption of the Development Management Policies DPD, Site Allocations DPD and Harrow and Wealdstone Area Action Plan DPD

Resolved to RECOMMEND: (to Council)

That the Harrow and Wealdstone Area Action Plan Local Plan, the Site Allocations Local Plan, and the Development Management Policies Local Plan be adopted.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the outcome of the independent Examination in Public of the three Local Plans be noted;
- (2) the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Regeneration be notified as soon as practicable when the post-adoption statutory requirements for the Local Plans have been complied with.

Reason for Decision: To progress the Local Plans to adoption in accordance with the current Local Development Scheme. To ensure that an up-to-date Development Plan for the Borough was in place and to comply with regulatory requirements.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: As set out in the report.

Conflict of Interest relating to the matter declared by Cabinet Member / Dispensation Granted: None.

[Call-in does not apply as the decision is reserved to Council.]

14 Revenue and Capital Outturn 2012/13

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the revenue and capital outturn position for 2012/13 be noted;
- (2) the contributions to Reserves outlined in paragraph 3 of the report be approved;
- (3) the net remaining revenue underspend of £0.996m be utilised to increase the General Reserves from £7.650m to £8.646m;
- (4) the changes in quarter 4 and carry forwards on the Capital Programme outlined in paragraph 26 and set out at Appendix 2 of the report be approved;
- (5) the timetable for accounts completion and external audit review as outlined in paragraph 29 of the report be noted.

Reason for Decision: To confirm the financial position as at 31 March 2013.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: None.

Conflict of Interest relating to the matter declared by Cabinet Member / Dispensation Granted: None.

(Note: The meeting, having commenced at 6.30 pm, closed at 8.38 pm).