

# CABINET

## 13 MARCH 2014

### DECISIONS NOTICE

(PUBLISHED ON FRIDAY 14 MARCH 2014)

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken on the substantive items at the meeting of the Cabinet held on Thursday 13 March 2014. 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 Una Sullivan, Democratic & Electoral Services Officer, on 020 8424 1785 or by email [una.sullivan@harrow.gov.uk](mailto:una.sullivan@harrow.gov.uk) or Alison Atherton, Senior Professional – Democratic Services on 020 8424 1266 or by email [alison.atherton@harrow.gov.uk](mailto:alison.atherton@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 21 March 2014 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](mailto:daksha.ghelani@harrow.gov.uk).

#### 8(b) NHS Health Checks Scrutiny Review

**RESOLVED:** That the report of the Joint NHS Health Checks and Scrutiny Review be welcomed, and the Director of Public Health, Community, Health and Wellbeing Directorate, be requested to submit a report responding to the recommendations therein to the next meeting of Cabinet.

**Reason for Decision:** To respond appropriately to the recommendations and to meet with the requirements set out in the Council's Constitution.

**Alternative Options Considered and Rejected:** None.

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

*[Call-in does not apply]*

**9 Motion referred to Executive - Yes to Homes**

**RESOLVED:** That the Motion be noted.

**Reason for Decision:** To meet with the requirements set out in the Constitution (Council Procedure Rules).

**Alternative Options Considered and Rejected:** None.

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

*[Call-in does not apply].*

**10 School Expansion Programme**

**RESOLVED:** That the statutory proposals to expand permanently the following schools by one form of entry (30 pupils), to fill incrementally from the point of admission into the school, be approved:

Aylward Primary School from 1 September 2014  
Belmont School from 1 September 2014  
Grange Primary School from 1 September 2014  
Norbury School from 1 September 2014  
Pinner Wood School from 1 September 2014  
Cannon Lane Primary School from 1 September 2015  
Kenmore Park Infant and Nursery School from 1 September 2015  
Newton Farm Nursery, Infant and Junior School from 1 September 2015  
Priestmead Primary School and Nursery from 1 September 2015  
St John Fisher Catholic Primary School from 1 September 2015  
Whitchurch First School and Nursery from 1 September 2015  
Kenmore Park Junior School from 1 September 2017  
Whitchurch Junior School from 1 September 2017.

**Reason for Decision:** To enable the Local Authority to fulfil its statutory duties to provide sufficient school places in its area.

**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 Whitefriars Community School**

**RESOLVED:** That

- (1) statutory proposals to expand permanently and extend the age range of Whitefriars Community School to include provision for secondary aged pupils be approved, subject to the condition that planning consent was granted for the development of the all through school;

- (2) the approach to the disposal of the Whitefriars Community School and Harrow Teachers' Centre sites to the academy trust be agreed;
- (3) authority be delegated to the Corporate Director, Environment and Enterprise, following consultation with the relevant Portfolio Holders, to finalise the disposal details for the academy transfer;
- (4) it be noted the contractor for the development of the site would be procured via the Education Funding Agency's (EFA) Contractors Framework.

**Reason for Decision:** To enable the Local Authority to fulfil its statutory duties to provide sufficient school places in its area and the land transfer for the academy conversion.

**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 Small Grant and Outcome Based Grant Recommendations 2014-15

**RESOLVED:** That

- (1) subject to the satisfactory delivery of agreed outcomes and annual confirmation of the budget according to the Council's budget setting process, authority be delegated to the Corporate Director of Community, Health and Wellbeing, following consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Community and Culture, to:
  - (a) renew the Service Level Agreement (SLA) to the newly commissioned infrastructure support service to the level of £75,000 for 2014-15 and in principle for 2015-16;
  - (b) confirm the renewal of Service Level Agreements (SLAs) for Outcome Based Grant awards for 2014/15 at the same level of funding awarded in 2013-14;
  - (c) terminate or amend any Service Level Agreements (SLAs) if concerns were identified at any stage as a result of monitoring or breaches of the SLA;
- (2) authority be delegated to the Corporate Director of Community, Health and Wellbeing, following consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Community and Culture, to award Small Grant funding to voluntary organisations at the levels recommended by the Grants Advisory Panel at their meeting on the 20 February 2014, as outlined in paragraph 2.2.7 (b) of the Cabinet report, subject to:
  - (a) receipt of satisfactory references and supporting documents by 11 April 2014;

- (b) confirmation from applicants that the proposed project or activity can be delivered at the same or at a different level with the amount of grant awarded by 11 April 2014;
  - (c) satisfactory resolution of any queries raised by the grant assessment panels by 11 April 2014;
  - (d) completion of the appeals procedure and any changes to the amounts awarded necessitated by decisions on appeals;
- (3) authority be delegated to the Corporate Director of Community, Health and Wellbeing, following consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Community and Culture, to withdraw funding offers where organisations did not comply with the conditions as detailed in Resolution (2) above;
- (4) authority be delegated to the Divisional Director of Community and Culture, following consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Community and Culture, with the support of an Independent Voluntary Sector Adviser, to consider and determine Small Grants appeals and vary both the percentage grant awarded and the threshold above which grant awards were made in light of decisions taken on appeals.

**Reason for Decision:** To award Council discretionary grant funding to Third Sector organisations to support them in delivering their services to Harrow residents.

**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 Community Learning Strategy

**RESOLVED:** That

- (1) the Community Learning Strategy 2013-15 and the Delivery Plan, as outlined in Appendix A and in paragraphs 2.2 and 2.4 of the report, be adopted;
- (2) subject to confirmation of Skills Funding Agency funding allocations, the Corporate Director of Community, Health and Wellbeing, following consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Community and Culture, be authorised to proceed with the Community Learning Strategy Delivery Plan (Appendix A, Annex 1, to the report) and take any action necessary.

**Reason for Decision:** As part of the national changes in the funding and delivery of Community Learning, the Adult Community and Family Learning Service was required to have in place a Strategy, to be monitored by the Skills Funding Agency, that set out how they would deliver a relevant balance of the

objectives outlined in *New Challenges, New Chances* (Department of Business, Innovations & Skills, 2011).

**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.

#### 14 Harrow Mutual Support Network (HMSN)

**RESOLVED:** That, having taken into account Appendix 1 to the report in making a decision in respect of the delivery of a Harrow Mutual Support Network for the term of three years beginning on 1 April 2014 and ending on 31 March 2017, Age UK Harrow be awarded the contract for delivery of the project as the lead provider and that it would enter into sub-contracts with other local voluntary sector organisations,

**Reason for Decision:** The Council made available the funding for the project in its Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS). In compliance with the Council's Procedure Rules an open tendering procedure was followed and, based on the results, a recommendation was made to award the contract to the most economically advantageous tender.

**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.

#### 15 Further Alterations to the London Plan

**RESOLVED:** That

- (1) the key changes proposed to the London Plan and the potential implications for Harrow's own adopted Spatial Strategy be noted;
- (2) the Council's formal representations to the Further Alterations to the London Plan, attached at Appendix A to the recommendation from the Local Development Framework Panel, as set out on the supplemental agenda, be approved.

**Reason for Decision:** To ensure Harrow's best interests were reflected in the alterations to the regional spatial plan for London.

**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.

## **16 Proposed Consultation for a New Pinner Conservation Area**

**RESOLVED:** That officers be authorised to undertake public consultation on the proposed Pinner Road Conservation Area.

**Reason for Decision:** As part of the ongoing programme to review the borough's heritage, Pinner Road, Pinner, had been identified as an area of high quality architecture and layout, with mostly locally listed and listed buildings, and had been assessed as worthy of Conservation Area status. The incorporation of this area as one of Pinner's Conservation Areas would ensure the area was covered by the Council's adopted Pinner Conservation Areas Supplementary Planning Document (SPD), adopted in December 2009.

**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.

## **17 Strategic Performance Report - Quarter 3**

**RESOLVED:** That the report be noted and Portfolio Holders continue working with officers to achieve improvement against identified key challenges.

**Reason for Decision:** To be informed of performance against key measures and to identify and assign corrective action where necessary.

**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 7.46 pm).