

## **CABINET**

## **16 FEBRUARY 2017**

Record of decisions taken at the meeting held on Thursday 16 February 2017.

Present:

Chair: \* Councillor Sachin Shah

Councillors: \* Sue Anderson \* Varsha Parmar \* Simon Brown \* David Perry

\* Keith Ferry
\* Kiran Ramchandani
\* Glen Hearnden
\* Mrs Christine Robson

Graham Henson \* Adam Swersky

Non-Executive Member:

In attendance:

\* David Perry

Richard Almond Minute 502
Susan Hall Minute 502
Ameet Jogia Minute 502
Barry Kendler Minute 502

## **RECOMMENDED ITEMS**

507. Housing Revenue Account Budget and Medium Term Financial Strategy 2017-18 to 2019-20

Resolved to RECOMMEND: (to Council)

That

(1) the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Budget for 2017-18 be approved;

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes Member present

the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Capital Programme, as detailed at Appendix 7 to the report, be approved.

## **RESOLVED:** That

- (1) the Medium Term Financial Strategy for the HRA, as attached in Appendix 1 to the report, be approved;
- (2) the proposed average rent of £112.99 per week for 2017-18, representing a decrease of 1% in average rent from the 2016-17 figure in line with the Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016 be approved;
- (3) an average tenant service charge of £3.01 per week, an increase of 2%, as set out in Appendix 2 to the report, be approved;
- (4) that garage and car parking rents/charges be frozen for a further year pending finalisation of a usage and differential charging policy, Appendix 3 to the report refers;
- (5) an increase in energy (heating) charges of 4% from 1 April 2017, as detailed in Appendix 4 to the report, be approved;
- (6) an increase in annual water charges of 4%, as detailed in Appendix 5 to the report, be approved;
- (7) increases in Community Centre hire charges of 4%, as set out in Appendix 6 to the report, be approved;
- (8) the three year Capital Programme, set out in Appendix 7 to the report, be approved.

**Reason for Decision:** To recommend the HRA budget for 2017-18 and MTFS.

**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 to the decision reserved to Council and where the decision is noted.]