

Cabinet

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MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEETING HELD ON 9 APRIL 2014 12.30 - 12.50 PM

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Present

Councillor (Leader) Councillors Ann Hartley (Deputy Leader), Tim Barker, Gwilym Butler, Lee Chapman, Steve Charmley, Mike Owen and Claire Wild

169 Apologies for Absence

169.1 Apologies for absence had been received from Mrs K Calder and Mr M Price. The Leader, Mr K Barrow had also submitted his apologies for the meeting due to his attendance on Council business at a meeting in Chester regarding the proposed development of a university in Shropshire.

170 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

170.1 Members were reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting on any matter in which they had a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.

171 Minutes

171.1 **RESOLVED:**

That the Minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 12th March 2014 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Deputy Leader.

172 Public Questions

172.1 There were no public questions.

173 Matters Referred from Scrutiny/Council

173.1 There were no matters received from Scrutiny/Council.

174 Reports of Scrutiny Committees

174.1 There were no reports from the Scrutiny Committees.

175 Revenue Monitoring Report Period 11

175.1 The Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support presented a report by the Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) – copy attached to the signed minutes – which set out the Revenue forecast for 2013/14 as at Period 11 and identified management actions being undertaken to ensure a balanced budget at the end of this financial year. The projected overspend at Period 11 had reduced since Period 10 as a result of a reduction in the revenue pressure projected within Environmental Maintenance, additional income identified within Commissioning and savings generated across the Council as a result of the spending freeze. He referred to the key issues highlighted in the report, namely the projected outturn of an overspend of £0.588m and the projected General Fund Balance as at 31 March 2014 of £13.408m.

175.2 **RESOLVED**:

- (a) That it be noted that at the end of Period 11 (28 February 2014), the full year forecast was a potential overspend of £0.588 million.
- (b) That the impact of this on the Council's General Fund Balance be noted.

176 Capital Monitoring Report Period 11

176.1 The Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Assurance presented a report by the Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) – copy attached to the signed minutes – on the current position for the Council's 2013/14 to 2016/17 capital programme taking into account the latest monitoring information on the progress of the schemes, any necessary budget increases and decreases and the re-profiling of budgets between 2013/14 and future years.

176.2 **RESOLVED**:

- (a) That approval be given to the budget variations of £3.4m to the 2013/14 capital programme, detailed in Appendix 1/Table 1 of the report and the re-profiled 2013/14 capital budget of £47.4m and the increase in the operating leasing by £0.26m to £1.84m.
- (b) That approval be given to the re-profiled capital budgets of £62.2m for 2014/15, £13.5m for 2015/16 and £5.3m for 2016/17 as detailed in Appendix 1/Table 4 of the report.
- (c) That the expenditure to date of £33.3m, representing 70.3% of the revised capital budget for 2013/14, with 92% of the year having elapsed, be accepted.

177 Help2change - Integrated Prevention Services

- 177.1 On behalf of the Portfolio Holder for Health, the Portfolio Holder for Adult Services and Commissioning (South) presented a report by the Director of Public Health copy attached to the signed minutes on the proposed integration of prevention services under the working title of Help2Change, in order to build on the wealth of behaviour change expertise that existed within the county, and to focus on collaboration, innovation and research. Help2Change would combine health intelligence, social marketing and behavioural change support to unlock opportunities for health improvement. It would aim to prevent or delay the onset of long-term conditions, improve quality of life, narrow inequalities in health, and reduce health and social care costs.
- 177.2 Cabinet was further advised that the proposal to establish Help2Change as a new, separate legal entity that was non-profit distributing would enable income generated to be reinvested to allow further prevention and fulfilment of health and wellbeing outcomes for Shropshire. In referring to the Council's wish to engage with ip&e Limited, with a view to developing a method of delivering the integrated Help2Change initiative the Portfolio Holder commended the proposals to Members.
- 177.3 During the ensuing discussion Cabinet indicated their support of a request from the Chairman of the Health and Social Care Scrutiny Committee for the Committee to become involved in the proposed development of the Business Plan. A Member also queried why Shropshire Council had not introduced such developments previously. In response the Director of Public Health commented that the authority had only taken over responsibility for the function last year and it received one of the lowest grants in the region and country. The aim of the proposal was therefore to utilise existing skills to provide services outside of the authority's area to generate some additional resources to spend on the local population within Shropshire.

177.4 **RESOLVED**:

- (a) That agreement be given to the principle of establishing Help2Change as an integrated preventive health service, for consideration for transfer to an ip&e limited owned company.
- (b) That delegated authority be given to the Director of Public Health, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Health and the Leader of the Council, to develop and agree a business plan with ip&e that established Help2Change as a non-profit distributing subsidiary of ip&e Limited to enable income generated to be invested in further prevention and fulfilment of health and wellbeing outcomes for Shropshire.
- (c) That, subject to a final decision to agree the transfer by Cabinet, delegated authority be given to the Council Leader, Portfolio Holder and Director of Public Health to agree a commissioning Service contract that realised Shropshire Council's ambition to commission and integrated provider of prevention services that also reflected the Council's ambition to help people to live long, health and productive lives.

178 Exclusion of Press and Public

178.1 **RESOLVED**:

That, in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, Section 5 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements)(Meetings and Access to Information)(England) Regulations, and Paragraph 10.2 of the Council's Access to Information Rules, the public and press be excluded during consideration of the following items.

179 Exempt Minutes

179.1 **RESOLVED**:

That the Exempt Minutes of Cabinet held on 12th March 2014 be approved as a correct record and be signed by the Deputy Leader.

180 Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre - Craven Arms

180.1 The Portfolio Holder for Adult Services and Commissioning (South) presented an exempt report by the Head of Economic Growth and Prosperity – copy attached to the signed exempt minutes – on the Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre at Craven Arms.

180.2 **RESOLVED**:

That the three recommendations set out in the exempt report of the Head of Economic Growth and Prosperity be approved.

(The full version of Minute 180 constitutes exempt information under category 3 of Paragraph 10.4 of the Council's Access to Information Rules and has accordingly been with-held from publication.)

| Signed (C | hairman) |
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