



Committee and Date

Cabinet

21 June 2017

CABINET

**Minutes of the meeting held on 31 May 2017 in the Shrewsbury Room, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY2 6ND
12.30 - 12.45 pm**

Responsible Officer: Jane Palmer
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Present

Councillor Peter Nutting (Leader)
Councillors Steve Charmley (Deputy Leader), Nicholas Bardsley, Joyce Barrow, Lee Chapman, Steve Davenport, Nic Laurens, Robert Macey, David Minnery and Lezley Picton

1 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

2 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Councillor Mrs J Barrow declared an interest in the item relating to the covenant on land at Oteley Road, Shrewsbury and stated that she would leave the room during consideration of this item. She stated that the partner of the Chairman of the Shrewsbury Town Football Club was a personal friend.

3 Minutes

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 12 April 2017 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Leader.

4 Public Question Time

No questions had been received from members of the public.

5 Scrutiny Items

There were no scrutiny matters for consideration.

6 Revenue and Capital Outturn 2016/2017

The Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance presented the report providing details of Shropshire Council's revenue and capital outturn position for 2016/17. Members noted the net underspend of £1.023m, a variance of 0.18% on the gross budget and the details of the underspend within the report.

Referring to the outturn capital expenditure, it was noted that this stood at £44.986m for 2016/17, representing 83% of the re-profiled budget of £54.432m.

A Member commented on paragraphs 14.3 and 14.4 of the report relating to the use of capital receipts. Responding, the Leader gave assurances that ways to improve returns would be investigated and he was confident that reasonable capital would be received. He added that conversations would begin in earnest in the Autumn once the new Cabinet had had time to settle.

Responding to a Member's concerns regarding Broadband, the Leader stressed the need to ensure effective spend in this area as Broadband remained patchy in areas throughout the county both rural and urban.

RESOLVED:

- i. That it be noted that the Outturn for the Revenue Budget for 2016/17 is an underspend of £1.023m, this represents 0.18% of the original gross budget of £568.8m.
- ii. That it be noted that the level of general balance stands at £14.827m, which is above the anticipated level.
- iii. That it be noted that the Outturn for the Housing Revenue Account for 2016/17 is an underspend of £1.417m and the level of the Housing Revenue Account reserve stands at £9.031m (2015/16 £5.824m).
- iv. That the increase in the level of Earmarked Reserves and Provisions (excluding delegated school balances) of £2.508m in 2016/17 be noted.
- v. That it be noted that the level of school balances stand at £6.280m (2015/16 £7.173m).
- vi. That net budget variations of £0.481m to the 2016/17 capital programme, detailed in Appendix 5/Table 6 and the re-profiled 2016/17 capital budget of £54.432m be approved.
- vii. That the re-profiled capital budgets of £80.529m for 2017/18, including slippage of £9.288m from 2016/17, £26.081m for 2018/19 and £2.320m for 2019/20 as detailed in Appendix 5 /Table 9, be approved.
- viii. That the outturn expenditure set out in Appendix 5 of £44.986m, representing 83% of the revised capital budget for 2016/17, be accepted.

- ix. That retaining a balance of capital receipts set aside of £18.370m as at 31st March 2017 to generate a one-off Minimum Revenue Provision saving of £0.418m in 2017/18, be approved.

7 UK Recovery Walk 2018

The Portfolio Holder for Health and Adult Social Care presented a report seeking support and approval for the Shropshire Drug and Alcohol Action Team (DAAT) to submit a bid for Shrewsbury to host the UK Recovery Walk 2018. Members noted that the overarching aim of the walk was to celebrate recovery and freedom from drug and alcohol dependence publically to inspire others. If successful in the bid, the event could attract 5,000 visitors/participants and would provide an opportunity to showcase the town.

RESOLVED:

- i) That the submission of an expression of interest to host the UK Recovery Walk 2018 be supported and if invited, delegated authority be granted to the Portfolio Holder for Health and Adult Social Care to submit a full bid to FAVOR UK by the end of June 2017.
- ii) If successful, the formation of a cross party Shrewsbury Recovery Walk Steering Group, to take forward the planning and implementation of the walk, be supported.

8 Exclusion of the Public and Press

Councillor Mrs J Barrow left the meeting at this point.

RESOLVED:

That, in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, and Paragraph 10.4 (3) of the Council's Access to Information Rules, the public and press be excluded during consideration of the following item/s.

9 Covenant on land at Oteley Road, Shrewsbury

The Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Corporate Support presented the confidential report from the Director of Place and Enterprise regarding the covenant on land at Oteley Road, Shrewsbury.

RESOLVED:

That the two confidential recommendations, as detailed in the report, be approved.

10 **Minutes**

RESOLVED:

That the confidential Minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 12 April 2017 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Leader.

Signed

(Leader)

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Date:

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