

# CABINET

THURSDAY, 23RD NOVEMBER, 2017

At 6.30 pm

in the

SPORTS HALL, HOLYPORT COLLEGE,

## SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

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## Cabinet 23/11/17 - Comments from O&S Panels

### Part I

#### **Children's Services**

##### Financial Update

The Children's Services O&S Panel considered the Cabinet report and fully endorsed the recommendations. As part of their deliberations the Panel also considered the Schools Forum reports relating to the National Funding Formula (NFF); the Panel recommended that Cabinet make it a priority to look at the impact NFF will have on our small schools and any mitigating actions that can be taken.

##### Delivering New School Places for the BLP

The Children's Services O&S Panel considered the Cabinet report and fully endorsed the recommendations. The Panel felt that the Memorandum of Understanding was a good idea and it was recommended that academies should be asked if they had tried to get expansion funding via the Conditional Improvement.

##### School Admission Arrangements 2019/20 and Co-ordinated Admissions Scheme 2019/20

The Children's Services O&S Panel considered the Cabinet report and fully endorsed the recommendations.

##### Local Area Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Written Statement of Actions

The Children's Services O&S Panel considered the Cabinet report and fully endorsed the recommendations.

##### Budget Preparation 2018/19

The Children's Services O&S Panel considered the Cabinet report and fully endorsed the recommendations subject to paragraph 4.6 (not included in the Panel's report pack) being the same as appendix D.

With regards to schools' funding the Panel recommended to Cabinet that a clear policy be introduced detailing funding responsibilities for schools detailing what academies and the Local Education Authority were responsible for funding.

## **Corporate Services**

### Financial Update

The Corporate Services O&S Panel considered the Cabinet report and fully endorsed the recommendations subject to the Panel reviewing the service level agreement with SportsAble and the Panel being satisfied that the requested amount is sufficient to meet the objectives.

The Chairman asked the director of Finance if there were any financial issue that could affect our current Council budgets apart from Children Services, he replied that he was not aware of any outside what was reported within the report.

The Panel were very concerned about the project management of the York House redevelopment project and requested that a Programme Management Board be established to oversee the project with any emerging issues of over spend on the current approved budgets being brought to Panel.

### Council Performance Management Framework Quarters 1 and 2

The Corporate Services O&S Panel considered the Cabinet report and fully endorsed the recommendations subject to:

- That operational KPI's are made available to the Panel and on the Council's website.
- That the Panel's concern over a large number falling performance be noted and that Lead Members and Managing Director provide progress reports of key activities and outcomes, in line with appendix 2, to be made available to the Panel.
- That the Lead Member attends this Panel when a targets performance has decreased over two quarters and explain any remedial action being taken.
- That an operational KPI be introduced showing the number of affordable housing units being applied for planning permission within the Royal Borough every 6 months.

The Chairman requested clarification if there were any vulnerable residents at risk due to the large number of falling performance figures especially vulnerable children and adults. The Panel were informed that there were no issues arising from the report.

### Budget Preparation 2018/19

The Corporate Services O&S Panel considered the Cabinet report and fully endorsed the recommendations. During their deliberations the following comments / requests were made:

- It was requested that the savings proposals be colour coded to show those that have already been implemented that those that have not yet started.
- It was questioned why Windsor coach car parking charges had not been increased yet car parking charges had. It was recommended that this be reviewed.
- It was recommended that with regards to the Capital programme that Lead Members contact Councillors and Parish Councils explaining why their bids had not been included within the programme.
- It was questioned why there had been no increase in charges under the remit of the Gambling Act 2005
- It was questioned why sexual venue, betting Shops, Race Course licensing and sex shop licensing charges had only been increased by 3.9%.
- it was felt that as successful businesses the charges could have been increase especially as some fees and charges had been increased to residents by 50%.
- The Panel asked why the most successful capital bids were only in town centres and Dedworth. Members wanted to know what the methodology in choosing these capital bids over out of town Capital bids was.
- Charges on stafferton way car park were questioned. The Panel wanted them reviewed as it was full to capacity and was used by many residents out of Borough.

## **Highways, Transport & Environment**

### Budget Preparation 2018/19

The Panel noted the report and the appendices relevant to highways, transport and environment service areas.

## **Planning and Housing**

### Budget Preparation 2018/19

No comments received

## **Culture and Communities**

### Budget Preparation 2018/19

The Panel noted the report

### Council Performance Management Framework Quarters 1 and 2

The Panel noted the first recommendation and agreed the second and third recommendations:

- i) Notes the progress towards meeting the council's strategic priorities.
- ii) Requests the Managing Director provides progress reports of key activity and outcomes to the service specific scrutiny panel, in line with appendix 2.
- iii) Requests the Managing Director, in conjunction with Lead and Principal Members, to progress improvement actions for indicators that are currently off target.

## **Adult Services and Health**

### Budget Preparation 2018/19

The Panel noted the report. Councillor Jones asked for further information on the figures that had led to the decision to increase the precept on Council Tax. Councillor Jones stated that, while it was widely acknowledged that demand in Adult Social Care had increased, it would be helpful to evidence the costs over the last few years and the growth expected within the report. She said that this would highlight the areas of increasing demand, and therefore justify the increase on the precept.

## **Crime and Disorder**

### Budget Preparation 2018/19

The Panel noted the report and the appendices relevant to the Crime and Disorder service area