

**RECORD OF OUTCOMES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING
HELD WEDNESDAY 25 JULY 2018
COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, PETERBOROUGH**

THE MAYOR – COUNCILLOR CHRIS ASH

25. Executive and Committee Recommendations to Council

(a) Cabinet Recommendation – Medium Term Financial Strategy 2019/20 To 2021/22 – Tranche One

A vote was taken (32 voted in favour, 0 voted against, 21 abstained from voting):

Councillor For: Aitken, Allen, Ayres, Bashir, Bisby, Brown, Casey, Cereste, Coles, Farooq, Fitzgerald, Fitzgerald, Judy Fox, John Fox, Fuller, Goodwin, Harper, Hiller, Holdich, Howell, Azher Iqbal, Lamb, Lane, Gul Nawaz, Over, Rush, Serluca, Simons, Smith, Stokes, Walsh, Warren, Whitby

Councillors Against: Nil

Councillors Abstaining: Ali, Ash, Barkham, Bond, Dowson, Ellis, Ferris, Hemraj, Hogg, Hussain, Amjad Iqbal, Jamil, Jones, Joseph, Lillis, Mahabadi, Martin, Murphy, Shaz Nawaz, Saltmarsh, Sandford

Councillors Not Voting: Nil

It was **RESOLVED** that Council:

1. Approve the Tranche One service proposals, outlined in Appendix D to the report as the basis for public consultation.
2. Approve the updated budget assumptions, to be incorporated within the Medium Term Financial Strategy 2019/20- 2021/22. These are outlined in section 5 of the report.
3. Approve the revised capital programme approach outlined in section 5.8 and referencing Appendix C to the report.
4. Approve the additional resourcing of £1.4m, required to deliver transformation projects, in order to achieve future financial benefits. These are outlined in section 5.6 of the report.
5. Approve Medium Term Financial Strategy 2019/20-2021/22- Tranche One, as set out in the body of the report and the following appendices:
 - Appendix A – 2019/20-2021/22 MTFs Detailed Budget Position- Tranche One
 - Appendix B – Performance Data
 - Appendix C – Capital Schemes
 - Appendix D – Budget Consultation Document, including Budget Proposals
 - Appendix E – Equality Impact Assessments

6. Note the future strategic direction for the Council outlined in section 5.7 of the report.

7. Note the forecast reserves position outlined in section 5.9 of the report.

(b) Audit Committee Recommendation – Annual Report 2017/2018

A vote was taken (unanimous) and it was **RESOLVED** that Council noted the work carried out by the Audit Committee in improving the governance arrangements across the Council.

(c) Adults and Communities Scrutiny Recommendation – New Council House Provision

A vote was taken (37 voted in favour, 0 voted against, 15 abstained from voting):

Councillor For: Aitken, Allen, Ayres, Barkham, Bashir, Bisby, Bond, Brown, Casey, Cereste, Coles, Farooq, Fitzgerald, Judy Fox, John Fox, Fuller, Goodwin, Harper, Hiller, Hogg, Holdich, Howell, Azher Iqbal, Lamb, Lane, Lillis, Gul Nawaz, Over, Rush, Saltmarsh, Sandford, Simons, Smith, Stokes, Walsh, Warren, Whitby

Councillors Against: Nil

Councillors Abstaining: Ali, Ash, Dowson, Ellis, Ferris, Hemraj, Hussain, Amjad Iqbal, Jamil, Jones, Joseph, Mahabadi, Martin, Murphy, Shaz Nawaz

Councillors Not Voting: Nil

It was **RESOLVED** that Council agreed that the focus for delivering social housing should continue to be through the now established joint venture housing company, Medesham Homes, rather than seeking to return to providing council housing in the traditional sense; this vehicle having the flexibility to deliver a range of tenures and to take advantage of the capability of each partner to provide land, funding and capacity and share risk when responding to the challenges of austerity and the housing crisis.

(d) Constitution and Ethics Committee Recommendation – Code Of Conduct

A vote was taken (29 voted in favour, 6 voted against, 16 abstained from voting):

Councillor For: Aitken, Allen, Ayres, Bashir, Bisby, Brown, Casey, Cereste, Coles, Farooq, Fitzgerald, Judy Fox, Fuller, Harper, Hiller, Holdich, Howell, Azher Iqbal, Lamb, Lane, Gul Nawaz, Over, Rush, Simons, Smith, Stokes, Walsh, Warren, Whitby

Councillors Against: Barkham, Bond, Hogg, Lillis, Saltmarsh, Sandford

Councillors Abstaining: Ali, Ash, Dowson, Ellis, Ferris, John Fox, Hemraj, Amjad Iqbal, Jamil, Jones, Joseph, Mahabadi, Martin, Murphy, Shaz Nawaz

Councillors Not Voting: Nil

It was **RESOLVED** that Council agreed to the changes to the Council's Code of Conduct agreed at the Constitution and Ethics Committee on 9 July 2018.

(e) Constitution and Ethics Committee Recommendation – Member Officer Protocol – Shadow Cabinet

A vote was taken on the amendment from Councillor Sandford (6 voted in favour, 44 voted against, 1 abstained from voting):

Councillor For: Barkham, Bond, Hogg, Lillis, Saltmarsh, Sandford

Councillors Against: Aitken, Ali, Allen, Ayres, Bashir, Bisby, Brown, Casey, Cereste, Coles, Dowson, Ellis, Farooq, Ferris, Fitzgerald, Judy Fox, John Fox, Fuller, Harper, Hemraj, Hiller, Holdich, Howell, Hussain, Amjad Iqbal, Azher Iqbal, Jamil, Jones, Joseph, Lamb, Lane, Lillis, Mahabadi, Martin, Murphy, Gul Nawaz, Shaz Nawaz, Over, Rush, Simons, Smith, Stokes, Walsh, Warren, Whitby

Councillors Abstaining: Ash

Councillors Not Voting: Nil

The amendment was **DEFEATED**.

A vote was taken (44 voted in favour, 6 voted against, 1 abstained from voting):

Councillor For: Aitken, Ali, Allen, Ayres, Bashir, Bisby, Brown, Casey, Cereste, Coles, Dowson, Ellis, Farooq, Ferris, Fitzgerald, Judy Fox, John Fox, Fuller, Harper, Hemraj, Hiller, Holdich, Howell, Hussain, Amjad Iqbal, Azher Iqbal, Jamil, Jones, Joseph, Lamb, Lane, Lillis, Mahabadi, Martin, Murphy, Gul Nawaz, Shaz Nawaz, Over, Rush, Simons, Smith, Stokes, Walsh, Warren, Whitby

Councillors Against: Barkham, Bond, Hogg, Lillis, Saltmarsh, Sandford

Councillors Abstaining: Ash

Councillors Not Voting: Nil

It was **RESOLVED** that Council agreed to the inclusion of the Shadow Cabinet Protocol included within the Member Officer Protocol agreed at the Constitution and Ethics Committee on 9 July 2018.

27. Notices of Motion

(1) Motion from Councillor Whitby

A vote was taken (unanimous) and the motion was **CARRIED AS FOLLOWS:**

“This chamber believes that the recent performance of GOvia/GTR/Thameslink on the main route into London from Peterborough has had a huge, negative impact on the city and its residents, both personal and economic.

We therefore request that the Chief Executive and Leader of the Council, make strong representations to the Secretary of State for Transport and the Secretary for Housing, Communities and Local Government to advise them of our concern of the impact that such an occurrence has on the communities who rely on such a major transport link, the economic damage that it does regionally and to this City, and that steps must be taken to ensure that such a disastrous occurrence is avoided in the future by whatever means is necessary.”

(2) Motion from Councillor Murphy

A vote was taken (unanimous) and the motion was **CARRIED AS FOLLOWS:**

“Council notes there have been a number of events in the city over recent years to celebrate our diversity and bring groups together as well as campaign against ignorance.

This year we had a successful International women's event at the Town Hall and at the end of June and beginning of July there were a whole series of Pride events in the city. Many organisation and residents participated in events in a proud and positive way. Initiative was taken to join in and the pride flag was flown by the council this year.

Council welcomes these activities that help us bring communities together and celebrate our diversity and Council resolves to support similar events in the future."

(3) Motion from Councillor Shaz Nawaz, amended by Councillor Holdich

A vote was taken (unanimous) and the motion was **CARRIED AS FOLLOWS:**

"In the UK today, there are significant numbers of children who do not currently have British citizenship but have rights to register as British citizens. Many of these children were born in the UK, and others have lived here from a young age, been raised here, educated here, and have never known any other home.

Without access to their citizenship rights, children may find themselves denied opportunities extended to their peers, such as the chance to participate in a school trip or to be eligible for funding so they can undertake higher education.

There are a number of barriers to children registering their citizenship. Registration can be a complex process of prohibitive cost.

Children are charged £1,012 for a process whose administrative cost is published at £372, meaning government is making a profit of £640 from every child who claims their rights.

Where a child is in the care of Peterborough City Council this fee, if it is to be paid, would have to be paid by the Council.

No child should be denied their citizenship rights by reason of a fee. There is no substitute for citizenship, which is vital to future security and sense of belonging.

This Council recognises:

- That the profit-making element of the fee to register citizenship discourages the best outcomes for many of the UKs children
- Because of their duties as corporate parents, the fee for children to register will fall on Councils in the many cases where looked after children qualify for citizenship
- The fee puts Councils in the unacceptable position of having to weigh the benefits of citizenship to a child in their care against the cost to the Council of assisting a child in claiming that right

This Council therefore resolves:

- To write to the minister of immigration requesting that the fee for children to register as British citizens is reduced to the administrative cost; and requesting that looked after children are exempted from the fee in its entirety
- To identify children in their care who are entitled to citizenship, and make sure they are aware of their rights and supported to claim them."

(4) Motion from Councillor Joseph, amended by Councillor Sandford

A vote was taken on the amendment from Councillor Cereste (28 voted in favour, 20 voted against, 2 abstained from voting):

Councillor For: Aitken, Allen, Ayres, Bashir, Bisby, Brown, Casey, Cereste, Coles, Farooq, Fitzgerald, Judy Fox, John Fox, Fuller, Harper, Hiller, Holdich, Howell, Azher Iqbal, Lamb, Gul Nawaz, Over, Rush, Simons, Smith, Stokes, Walsh, Warrn

Councillors Against: Ali, Barkham, Bond, Ellis, Ferris, Hemraj, Hogg, Hussain, Amjad Iqbal, Jamil, Jones, Joseph, Lillis, Mahabadi, Martin, Murphy, Shaz Nawaz, Saltmarsh, Sandford, Whitby

Councillors Abstaining: Ash, Lane

Councillors Not Voting: Nil

The amendment was **CARRIED**.

A vote was taken on the substantive motion (30 voted in favour, 6 voted against, 14 abstained from voting):

Councillor For: Aitken, Allen, Ayres, Bashir, Bisby, Brown, Casey, Cereste, Coles, Farooq, Fitzgerald, Judy Fox, John Fox, Fuller, Harper, Hiller, Holdich, Howell, Azher Iqbal, Lamb, Lane, Gul Nawaz, Over, Rush, Simons, Smith, Stokes, Walsh, Warren, Whibty

Councillors Against: Barkham, Bond, Hogg, Lillis, Saltmarsh, Sandford

Councillors Abstaining: Ali, Ash, Ellis, Ferris, Hemraj, Hussain, Amjad Iqbal, Jamil, Jones, Joseph, Mahabadi, Martin, Murphy, Shaz Nawaz

Councillors Not Voting: Nil

The motion was **CARRIED AS FOLLOWS:**

“Waste continues to be an issue that affects every one of us, whether it is the frequency of our bin collections, what we should recycle or perhaps the most emotive issue of all, flytipping, and most of us will have an opinion on waste in this city.

Following a recommendation from Councillor Holdich and the decision of the Growth, Resources and Environment Scrutiny Committee, a council task and finish group is to be set up to look at the issue of fly-tipping and possible remedies to what is a sickness which has a very negative impact on our Peterborough.

However, let us give credit where it is due to the many, many residents who responsibly dispose of their waste, either by taking it to the household waste site at Welland Road or paying £23 for a bulky waste collection.

Waste management is part of a larger picture of resource efficiency that could also have a positive impact on flytipping.

The larger picture must focus on reducing the amount of waste we produce in the first place through our buy, use and dispose lifestyles. As a city we are leading the way in moving away from this linear approach by encouraging and supporting more “circular” activities such as re-use, repair and re-manufacture. Let us also, therefore, give credit to the considerable circular economy work that the Council, in partnership with Opportunity Peterborough, has undertaken to date.

Our Circular Peterborough initiative, part of our Environment Action Plan, is leading the way nationally and internationally on this, including, but not limited to:

- Increasing the recycling or recovery of household waste at the Household Recycling Centre at Dogsthorpe to over 90% as a contribution to the 'Zero Waste' target.
- The 'Love Peterborough: love your Community' recycling message and the provision of free food waste bags to residents has increased participation also as a contribution to the 'Zero Waste' target
- Our Energy Recovery Facility is generating around 55,000MWh of renewable energy each year supporting the 'Zero Carbon Energy' target.
- Launching our 'Share Peterborough' platform enabling businesses to find new homes for furniture, equipment and other useful items including underused spaces.
- Publishing our draft Circular Peterborough Roadmap which builds on all of these achievements and more as it sets out how we plan to be a truly circular city by 2050.

We are one of only two UK and eleven international cities in the Ellen MacArthur Foundation Circular Cities Network and was awarded the accolade of World Smart City in 2015 with significant recognition for our pioneering Circular Economy work.

This Council recognises:

- The considerable cost of addressing fly-tipping and the damage it causes to our environment
- The fact that fly-tipping needs to be considered as part of a much broader waste management picture and is a key part of Peterborough's ambition to move from linear to more circular approaches to how we live our lives.
- Currently, waste that could have been reused, repaired or recycled is, instead, being taken to the Energy Recovery Facility. Whilst energy is, of course, recovered from the material, opportunities to avoid such items becoming waste in the first place are being lost.
- It takes many people to report and deal with each incident of fly tipping, and it would be an improvement to the lives of many if the incidents of fly tipping can be significantly reduced if not eliminated.

The Council therefore resolves to continue to build upon its waste minimisation, re-use, recycling, recovery work as part of its Circular Peterborough initiative and it's commitment to creating the UK's Environment Capital by asking the fly tipping task and finish group to:

- Highlight the opportunities for the involvement of repair, reuse, remanufacture and recycling companies and/or charities in making use of goods which are would otherwise be disposed of. This should include promoting and increasing the use of our ground breaking Share Peterborough platform.
- Leading the way for our residents by considering opportunities for recycling and upcycling such as the Council's current practice of using old tyres as 'Jungle Mulch' that is used where appropriate in children's play areas as soft landing areas.

- Encouraging the reduction of single use plastics from shops in the city, through engagement in national schemes and local partnerships with PECT and Opportunity Peterborough.
- To continue to drive the city's internationally recognised programme of circular economy work through the Circular Peterborough initiative to ensure that economic growth, waste reduction and environmental benefits can be achieved in the medium to long term."

(5) Motion from Councillor Sandford

A vote was taken (21 voted in favour, 26 voted against, 2 abstained from voting):

Councillor For: Ali, Barkham, Bond, Ellis, Ferris, Hemraj, Hogg, Howell, Hussain, Amjad Iqbal, Jamil, Jones, Joseph, Lillis, Mahabadi, Martin, Murphy, Shaz Nawaz, Saltmarsh, Sandford, Whitby

Councillors Against: Aitken, Ayres, Bashir, Bisby, Casey, Cereste, Coles, Farooq, Fitzgerald, Judy Fox, John Fox, Fuller, Harper, Hiller, Holdich, Azher Iqbal, Lamb, Lane, Gul Nawaz, Over, Rush, Simons, Smith, Stokes, Walsh, Warren, Whitby

Councillors Abstaining: Allen, Ash

Councillors Not Voting: Nil

The motion was **DEFEATED**.

28. Reports to Council

(a) Political Balance Calculation and Appointment of Chairman and Vice Chairmen

A vote was taken on the amendment from Councillor Sandford (19 voted in favour, 27 voted against, 3 abstained from voting):

Councillor For: Ali, Barkham, Bond, Ferris, Hemraj, Hogg, Howell, Hussain, Azher Iqbal, Jamil, Jones, Joseph, Lillis, Mahabadi, Martin, Murphy, Shaz Nawaz, Saltmarsh, Sandford

Councillors Against: Aitken, Allen, Ayres, Bashir, Bisby, Casey, Cereste, Coles, Farooq, Fitzgerald, Judy Fox, John Fox, Fuller, Harper, Hiller, Holdich, Azher Iqbal, Lamb, Gul Nawaz, Over, Rush, Simons, Smith, Stokes, Walsh, Warren, Whitby

Councillors Abstaining: Ash, Ellis, Lane

Councillors Not Voting: Nil

The amendment was **DEFEATED**.

A vote was taken (29 voted in favour, 11 voted against, 9 abstained from voting):

Councillor For: Aitken, Allen, Ayres, Bashir, Bisby, Casey, Cereste, Coles, Farooq, Fitzgerald, Judy Fox, John Fox, Fuller, Harper, Hiller, Holdich, Howell, Azher Iqbal, Lamb, Lane, Gul Nawaz, Over, Rush, Simons, Smith, Stokes, Walsh, Warren, Whitby

Councillors Against: Barkham, Bond, Ferris, Hogg, Amjad Iqbal, Jamil, Lillis, Murphy, Shaz Nawaz, Saltmarsh, Sandford

Councillors Abstaining: Ali, Ash, Ellis, Hemraj, Hussain, Jones, Joseph, Mahabadi, Martin

Councillors Not Voting:

It was **RESOLVED** that Council:

1. Agreed the updated allocation of seats on those council committees subject to political balance arrangements (Appendix 1 to the report).
2. Agreed the appointment of the following positions:
 - Chairman of the Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee – Councillor Chris Harper,
 - Vice Chairman of the Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee – Councillor Graham Casey,
 - Vice Chairman of the Corporate Parenting Committee – Councillor Stephen Lane,
 - Vice Chairman of the Audit Committee – Councillor Kim Aitken, and
 - Vice Chairman of the Constitutional and Ethics Committee – Councillor Shazir Bashir.
3. Agreed that Councillor June Stokes would replace Councillor David Over on the Combined Authority Overview and Scrutiny Committee.