

<b>COUNCIL</b>	AGENDA ITEM No. 10
<b>21 FEBRUARY 2024</b>	PUBLIC REPORT

## RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISIONS MADE SINCE THE LAST MEETING

### 1. CABINET MEETING HELD ON 12 FEBRUARY 2024

#### **A) Approval on Spend Via Cambridgeshire County Council's Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) For Home and Community Support Services – FEB24/CAB/78**

1. The Cabinet approved the continuation of method of procuring and future predicted spend of up to £11,672,606 by procuring care at home support for Peterborough City Council Clients via Cambridgeshire County Council's Dynamic Purchasing System (CCC's DPS) for Home and Community Support Services, from 2nd March 2024 through to 31st October 2027, as an alternative way to meet the assessed needs of a Service User when the existing closed framework of providers is unable to meet demand.

#### **B) Award of Pseudo Dynamic Purchasing System (PDPS) Agreement for Supported Accommodation Services for Young People In Care Aged 16 –18 And For Separate Migrant Children And/Or Formally Separated Migrant Children With No Recourse To Public Funds – FEB24/CAB/79**

1. The Cabinet approved the award of the Pseudo Dynamic Purchasing System (PDPS) to each of the successful bidders who tendered for the PDPS for Supported Accommodation Services for young people in care aged 16 – 18 and for separated migrant children and /or formally separated migrant children with no recourse to public funds The PDPS Agreement will commence on 1st April 2024 and run for an initial period of 2 years with the option to extend twice in increments of 12 months, with a total contract value of £16,000,000 over a four-year contract period. The list of approved providers is outlined in Appendix 1.
2. Delegated approval to the Executive Director of Adult Social Care & Commissioning to extend the Contract Term up to 2 years (x2 periods of 12 months) in accordance with the contract provisions.
3. Delegated approval to the Executive Director of Adult Social Care & Commissioning to agree fee uplifts, (per annum) on the hourly rate and weekly core accommodation costs, subject to internal governance arrangements and the value given in the published Contract Notice.
4. Delegated approval to the Executive Director of Adult Social Care & Commissioning for future awards, to successful bidders to join the PDPS, as and when the PDPS has been reopened, throughout the duration of the Contract Term, within the contract provisions.

#### **C) Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Falls Prevention Strategy – FEB24/CAB/80**

1. The Cabinet endorsed the Peterborough City Council's role within the system-wide Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Falls Prevention Strategy.

#### **D) Localities Assets Review Update – FEB24/CAB/81**

1. The Localities Assets Review's initial findings and recommendations for each of the sites highlighted in Phase One, as shown in Appendix 1 to the report, be approved.
2. The Executive Director of Corporate Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Governance, be authorised to take all necessary steps to implement disposals where sites were deemed suitable as being surplus to requirements (up to a maximum disposal price of £500,000).
3. Where any proposed sale or repurposing of an asset was at a price in excess of £500,000 the decision to proceed brought back to Cabinet for specific approval to dispose on a case-by-case basis.
4. Directors should continue to provide regular, quarterly updates to Cabinet on the progress of these sites.
5. The proposal to focus on the Council's education sites under Phase 2, where officers would work with Academies and Maintained Schools to investigate opportunities to improve community usage across buildings, to repurpose surplus properties and to divest of surplus land if deemed appropriate, be noted.
6. In respect of Eye Youth Centre, Officers should undertake further research into grant funding opportunities.

#### **E) Budget 2024-2025 And Medium-Term Financial Management Strategy 2024-2027 – FEB24/CAB/82**

The Cabinet reviewed and recommended to Council for approval:

1. The Medium-Term Financial Strategy 2024/27 outlined in Appendix A which includes the key financial assumptions, strategic direction and estimated budget gaps in future years.
2. The Budget for 2024/25, outlined in Appendix B which includes:
  - a) Funding and Council Tax Summary, which includes a proposed Council Tax increase of 4.99% in 2024/25, 2025/26 and 2026/27.
  - b) Detailed Revenue budgets and proposal detail
  - c) The Capital Budget (Programme)
  - d) Section 25 robustness statement.
3. The feedback from the budget consultation summarised in section 4 of this report and outlined in Appendix C, along with the Council's response, which is outlined in Appendix O.
4. The Reserves commitments outlined in section 2 of the budget report and the draft Reserves Strategy and Policy outlined in Appendix D which sets the future direction of travel and planned use of reserves.
5. The Treasury Management Strategy outlined in Appendix E, which has the fundamental roles of managing external investments, ensure debt is prudent and economic, outlining the Prudential Indicators and ensuring that decisions comply with regulation.

6. The draft Capital and Investment Strategy outlined in Appendix F, which manages its assets and investment resources to help achieve the strategic priorities of the Council.
7. The outline Asset Management Plan (AMP) as set out in Appendix G which sets out principles for managing the Council's assets in the most efficient and effective manner and the direction of travel for future years while a more detailed and refreshed AMP is developed.
8. The newly introduced Sales Fees and Charges Policy, as outlined in Appendix H and the full Sales Fees and Charges Schedule for 2024/25 as outlined in Appendix I.
9. The Dedicated Schools Grant and the Schools Budget 2024-25 as set out in Appendix J.
10. The Council Tax Resolution for 2024, setting out the Council Tax requirement and precepts including those from 141 the Parish Councils, the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Fire Authority and the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority is outlined in Appendix K.
11. To increase the level of Council tax premiums in line with section 2.5.
12. The Budget Virement Rules outlined in Appendix L which sets out the financial approval limits for transferring budgets between different cost codes and directorates.
13. The Equality Impact Assessments outlined in Appendix M, which have been completed for all major budget proposals.
14. The Carbon Impact Assessments outlined in Appendix N, which have been completed for all major budget proposals.
15. The Discretionary Rate Relief Scheme as referred to in section 2.6, and as outlined in Appendix P.

#### **F) Budget Control Report December 2023 - Quarter 3 – FEB24/CAB/83**

The Cabinet noted:

1. The budgetary control position for 2023/24 as at 31 December 2023 which outlined a forecast overspend of £2.1m.
2. The key variance analysis and explanations.
3. The Council's Capital Programme performance.
4. The Council's performance with respect to Business Rates (NNDR) and Council Tax Collection

#### **G) PCC Response To The Fourth Independent Improvement and Assurance Panel Report – FEB24/CAB/84**

1. The Cabinet Considered the fourth report of the Independent Improvement and Assurance Panel and agreed with the action to be taken as a result.
2. Endorsed the report, PCC's response to it and the progress being made with the delivery of the Improvement Plan.

## **2. CALL-IN BY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Since the publication of the previous report to Council, the call-in mechanism has not been invoked.

### 3. SPECIAL URGENCY AND WAIVER OF CALL-IN PROVISIONS

Since the publication of the previous report to Council the urgency, special urgency and/or waiver of call-in provisions have not been invoked.

### 4. CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS

<b>CABINET MEMBER AND DATE OF DECISION</b>	<b>REFERENCE</b>	<b>DECISION TAKEN</b>
<p>Councillor Peter Hiller, Cabinet Member for Housing, Growth and Regeneration</p> <p>Draft Housing Strategy</p> <p>15 January 2024</p>	<p>JAN24/CMDN/74</p>	<p>The Cabinet Member approved the decision to:</p> <p>Ratify the DRAFT Housing Strategy 2024 to 2029, for consultation.</p>
<p>Councillor Ray Bisby, Cabinet Member for Children's Services</p> <p>Education Systems Programme – Award of Contract for The Provision of An Education IT System</p> <p>22 January 2024</p>	<p>JAN24/CMDN/75</p>	<p>The Cabinet Member approved the decision to:</p> <p>Peterborough City Council awarding a contract to Liquidlogic Ltd for the provision of its Education IT System from 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024 for a period of 5 years (with the option to extend for a further 2 years). The estimated value of the total 7-year contract period is approximately £1,047,605 (CPI included, VAT is not included).</p> <p>Delegate authority to the Service Director - Education to decide whether to invoke the extension period for the contract following the initial contract term and in accordance with the contract provisions.</p>
<p>Councillor Saqib Farooq, Cabinet Member for Adults and Health</p> <p>Healthy Schools Support Service in Peterborough</p>	<p>FEB24/CMDN/76</p>	<p>The Cabinet Member approved the decision to:</p> <p>Authorise an extension of the delegation of authority to Cambridgeshire County Council to act as the lead commissioner for the Healthy Schools Support Service from 1 September 2023 until 31 March 2025 at a cost to Peterborough City Council of £92,276.66.</p>

8 February 2024		
<p>Councillor Gavin Elsey, Cabinet Member for Infrastructure, Environment and Climate Change</p> <p>Approval of 5-year Review of Highway Asset Management Policy Documents</p> <p>12 February 2024</p>	FEB24/CMDN/77	<p>The Cabinet Member approved the decision to:</p> <p>Adopt the revised Highways Asset Management Policy and Strategy, Highway Infrastructure Asset Management Plan, and Highway Maintenance Plan.</p>

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