

8 March 2018



BABERGH DISTRICT COUNCIL

DECISIONS NOTICE

**DECISIONS BY THE BABERGH CABINET
CALL IN DEADLINE 5:00PM ON THURSDAY, 8 MARCH 2018**

The following decisions have been taken by the Cabinet and will come into effect on 16 March 2018 unless the call-in procedure is activated. For clarity, where an item is 'to be noted', 'received' or recommended to Council for a decision, this is deemed not to be a formal Executive decision and so the call-in provisions will not apply.

BCa/17/55 - CIL EXPENDITURE

It was RESOLVED:-

- 1.1 The detailed CIL Expenditure Framework (including details of implementation and review) forming Appendices A and E to report BCa/17/55 and the joint CIL Expenditure Framework Communications Strategy (Appendix B) be approved and refer the proposals to Full Council for final adoption. (Appendices C and D comprise the CIL "Regulation 123 lists" and were approved in January 2016 and accompany the other documents for reference purposes only).
- 1.2 That the Joint Member Panel (alongside Overview and Scrutiny) inform the Review of the CIL Expenditure Framework within the timescales contained in the Appendix E to report BCa/17/55.

Reason for Decision: Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) monies have been collected since the implementation of CIL in April 2016. There is no prescribed way for Councils to decide upon the spend of money collected through CIL so the Councils have to agree their own approach.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: That the detailed CIL Expenditure Framework not be approved and the proposals not be referred to Full Council for final adoption.

Any Declarations of Interest declared: None

Any Dispensation Granted: None

BCa/17/56 - FINANCIAL MONITORING 2017/18 - QUARTER 3

It was RESOLVED:-

- 1.1 That the potential or likely variations in relation to the General Fund, Housing Revenue Account and Capital Programme compared to the Budget be noted.
- 1.2 That, subject to any further budget variations that arise during the rest of the financial year, the following net transfers of £1,227k be noted;
 - (a) The balance of the General Fund surplus of £943k referred to in section 11.7 of the report be transferred to the Business Rates Equalisation reserve to support the 2017/18 deficit (£1,256k) on the Business Rates Collection Fund;
 - (b) Transfer of £102k, being the favourable variance for Materials Recycling Facility (MRF) to a new earmarked Waste reserve, referred to in section 11.8 of report BCa/17/56;
 - (c) Transfer of £129k, being the £75k favourable variance for Homelessness to the earmarked grants reserve, referred to in section 11.8 of report BCa/17/56;
 - (d) Transfer of £53k, being the favourable variance for Planning legal costs to the earmarked reserve, referred to in section 11.8 of report BCa/17/56;
- 1.3 That £100k is transferred from the HRA Strategic Priorities reserve to an earmarked reserve called "Big20", referred to in section 11.22 of report BCa/17/56.

Reason for Decisions:

To ensure that Members were kept informed of the current budgetary position for both the General Fund and HRA.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: That the current budgetary position for the General Fund and the HRA was not reported.

Any Declarations of Interest declared: None

Any Dispensation Granted: Yes

BCa/17/57 - PUBLIC REALM TRANSFORMATION PROJECT

It was RESOLVED:-

- 1.4 That the findings of the Public Realm Review be noted, including the overall conclusions that standards of street cleansing and grounds maintenance are generally good and that the contract with ID Verde in Babergh represents value for money.
- 1.5 To agree the priority actions for 2018/19, set out at paragraphs 13.1 – 13.4 of report BCa/17/57, to take forward public realm provision within Babergh.
- 1.6 To agree the principles for future Public Realm provision in Babergh, outlined at

paragraph 12 of this report.

1.7 To agree to establish a Member Advisory Task and Finish Group to:

(a) Develop standards and performance measures for Public Realm services;

(b) Establish a policy for the adoption of open spaces and other public realm assets;

(c) Review and extend the policy on trees; and

(d) Develop a policy on public toilets.

1.8 To utilise the public realm principles and public realm policies in the development of both the emerging Environment Strategy and the emerging Communities Strategy.

Reason for Decisions:

To set out the Council's principles and plans for the future development of public realm services.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected:

The alternative option was to not agree the principles and plans for the future development of public realm services.

Any Declarations of Interest declared: None

Any Dispensation Granted: Yes

BCa/17/59 - LOCAL TOURISM STRATEGY REVIEW

It was RESOLVED:-

1.9 That the recommendations set out in report BCa/17/59 be approved subject to an amendment.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: That the recommendation as set out in report BCa/17/59 not be approved.

Any Declarations of Interest declared: None.

Any Dispensation Granted: None