

5 March 2018



MID SUFFOLK DISTRICT COUNCIL

DECISIONS NOTICE

DECISIONS BY THE MID SUFFOLK CABINET CALL IN DEADLINE 5:00PM ON TUESDAY 13 MARCH 2018

The following decisions have been taken by the Cabinet and will come into effect on 14 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:

MCa/17/51 - Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) - Expenditure Framework

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 £1,158k be noted:
 - (a) The balance of the General Fund surplus of £938k referred to in section 11.7 of the report be transferred to the Business Rates Equalisation reserve to support the 2017/18 deficit on the Business Rates Collection Fund which will materialise in 2018/19.
 - (b) Transfer of £78k, being the favourable variance for Planning legal costs to the earmarked reserve, referred to in section 11.8 of this report.
 - (c) Transfer of £175k, being the £75k favourable variance for Homelessness and the additional £100k contribution to the earmarked homelessness reserve, referred to in section 11.8 of this report.
- 1.3 That the causes of the variations between Quarter 2 and Quarter 3 within the HRA Strategic Priorities Reserve be investigated by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

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: The alternative option is the budget proposals for 2018/19 and Medium Term Financial Strategy not be reported and we fail in our statutory duty to set the Council tax for 2018/19.

Any Declarations of Interest declared: None

Any Dispensation Granted: Yes

MCa/17/52 - 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 £1,158k be noted:
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Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: The alternative option is the budget proposals for 2018/19 and Medium Term Financial Strategy not be reported and we fail in our statutory duty to set the Council tax for 2018/19.

Any Declarations of Interest declared: None

Any Dispensation Granted: Yes

MCa/17/53 - Public Realm Transformation Project

It was RESOLVED:-

- 1.1 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 in-house service in Mid Suffolk represents value for money.
- 1.2 To agree the priority actions for 2018/19, set out at paragraphs 13.1 – 13.4 of report MCa/17/53, to take forward public realm provision within Mid Suffolk.
- 1.3 To agree the principles for future Public Realm provision in Mid Suffolk, outlined at paragraph 12 of this report.
- 1.4 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.
- 1.5 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

MCa/17/54 - Increase in provision of Temporary Accommodation units

It was RESOLVED:-

- 1.1 The recommendation as set out in the report MCa/17/54 be approved.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: That the recommendation as set out in report MCa/17/54 not be approved.

Any Declarations of Interest declared: None

Any Dispensation Granted: None

MCa/17/55 - BMS Invest - Performance, Risk and Governance Update

It was RESOLVED:-

1.1 The recommendation as set out in report MCa/17/55 be noted.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: That report MCa/17/55 not be noted or seen as an accurate reflection.

Any Declarations of Interest declared: Councillors Brewster, Horn, Whitehead and Whybrow all declared non-pecuniary interests in this item as Board Members.

Any Dispensation Granted: None

MCa/17/56 - Local Tourism Strategy Review

It was RESOLVED:-

1.1 That the recommendations set out in report MCa/17/56 be approved with a minor amendment.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: That the recommendation as set out in report MCa/17/56 not be approved.

Any Declarations of Interest declared: Councillor Horn declared a non-pecuniary interest in this item as a Trustee of the Museum of East Anglian Life.

Any Dispensation Granted: None

Mca/17/57 - Appointment of Non-Executive Director

It was RESOLVED:-

The recommendation as set out in the report MCa/17/57 be approved, and that the decision was taken on the grounds of urgency and as such cannot reasonably be deferred because previous delegation did not allow for additional capacity to be appointed to the Board, necessary at the initial stages. Under paragraph 17 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules within Part 3 of the Council's Constitution **THIS DECISION IS EXEMPT FROM CALL-IN ON THE GROUNDS OF URGENCY.**