

Thursday, 13 June 2019



BABERGH DISTRICT COUNCIL

DECISIONS NOTICE

DECISIONS BY THE BABERGH CABINET CALL IN DEADLINE 5:00PM ON 24 June 2019

The following decisions have been taken by the Cabinet and will come into effect on 25 June 2019 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/19/2 GENERAL FUND FINANCIAL OUTTURN 2018/19

It was RESOLVED:-

- 1.1 That the 2018/19 financial outturn as set out in the report be noted.
- 1.2 That, the following net transfers of £2.281m be noted;
 - a) Transfer to reserves of £143k being the net amount, for the following specific earmarked reserves, referred to in section 5.7 and Appendix C of the report;
 - b) Of the remaining balance of the General Fund surplus £1.846m be transferred to the Business Rates Equalisation reserve and £293k to the Transformation Fund, as referred to in section 2.1 (c) of the report.
- 1.3 That the General Fund carry-forward requests totalling £75k referred to in paragraph 5.8 of the report be approved.
- 1.4 That the total Capital carry-forward requests referred to in paragraphs 5.16 of the report totalling £7.850m be approved.

Reason for Decision: To ensure that Members are kept informed of the outturn position for both General Fund Revenue and Capital and to approve the carry forward requests.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected:

- 1.1 Transfer of surplus funds of £2.281m to the Transformation Fund.

- 1.2 Transfer of surplus funds of £2.281m to the Business Rates Equalisation Reserve.
- 1.3 Transfer surplus funds of £1.846m to the Business Rates Equalisation reserve as explained further in the table in section 5.4, surplus funds of £293k to the Transformation Fund and net transfers of £143k to specific earmarked reserves as detailed in 3.2(a) of the report.
- 1.4 To recommend carry forward requests for the General Fund (£75k) and Capital (£7.850m).

Any Declarations of Interest Declared: None

Any Dispensation Granted: None

BCa/19/3 HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT FINANCIAL OUTTURN 2018/19

It was RESOLVED:-

- 1.1 That the 2018/19 financial outturn as set out in the report be noted.
- 1.2 That the transfer of £491k, being the HRA surplus for the year (£247k more than planned) per paragraph 5.5 of the report, to the Strategic Priorities Reserves be noted.
- 1.3 That the HRA Capital carry-forward requests referred to in paragraph 5.14 of the report totalling £6.169m be approved.

Reason for Decision: To ensure that Members are kept informed of the outturn position for both Housing Revenue and Capital and to approve the carry forward requests.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: To recommend the carry forward of £6.169m HRA Capital costs.

Any Declarations of Interest Declared: None

Any Dispensation Granted: None

BCa/19/4 QUARTER 4 PERFORMANCE OUTCOME REPORTING

It was RESOLVED:-

That the performance report and the performance outcome information tabled at Appendices A to H of the report be agreed as reflecting Babergh District Council's performance for January – March 2019.

Reason for Decision: To provide assurance that the Council is meeting its performance objectives.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: It is a requirement to report this information to Cabinet, therefore there are no other available options.

Any Declarations of Interest Declared: None

Any Dispensation Granted: None

BCa/19/5 REGULATION OF INVESTIGATORY POWERS ACT 2000 (RIPA) - USE OF LEGISLATION AND UPDATED POLICY

It was RESOLVED:-

That the refreshed Joint RIPA Policy and the changes in respect of officer roles be approved and the change in the judicial oversight in the United Kingdom noted.

Reason for Decision: The Protection of Freedoms Act requires members to be advised about the use of powers under RIPA and to note the Councils' policy for the use of surveillance.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: The Codes of Practice that cover RIPA require the Councils to report the use of its powers under the Act and require Cabinet notification for its policy on the use of RIPA. This report fulfils the Councils' requirements under the Code of Practice. There are no alternative reporting of notification options under the Codes of Practice.

Any Declarations of Interest declared: None

Any Dispensation Granted: None

BCa/19/6 END OF YEAR RISK POSITION STATEMENT AND PROGRESS REPORT AND REVISIONS TO RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

It was RESOLVED:-

That the contents of the report, supported by Appendix A, B, and C, be approved.

Reason for Decision: To provide assurances that risk management processes in place are robust and effective.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: Risk management as an activity must accomplish the following tasks: identify and agree objectives; identify and assess (i.e.: Treat, Transfer, Tolerate or Terminate the risk); allocate risk owners; manage and control and monitoring and reporting.

Any Declaration of Interests declared: None

Any Dispensation Agreed: None