

Cabinet Single-Member Decisions and Responses to Recommendations from PDS Panels

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RULE 16 NDR Revaluation Relief update and minor Policy amendments

The updated Appendix D to the Bath and North East Somerset Council Non Domestic Rate Relief Policy gives guidance to officers administering claims for discretionary relief under discretionary powers provided by the Local Government Finance Act 1988 ("The 88 Act").

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member - Finance and Efficiency

Decision published: 25/01/2018

Effective from: 25/01/2018

Decision:

The Cabinet Member agrees that the Council's Policy is amended in line with the recommendations set out in the report.

Lead officer: Ian Savigar

Article 4 Direction over permitted development rights on the Change of Use from Office to Residential in central Bath

To consider the implications of the permitted development rights on the conversion of offices to residential uses in Bath.

Decision Maker: Leader of the Council

Decision published: 25/01/2018

Effective from: 02/02/2018

Decision:

Cabinet Member agrees that;

- a) Bath & North East Somerset Council makes a non-immediate Article 4 Direction under para 4(1) of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 to withdraw permitted development rights for the Change of Use from Office (Class B1) to Residential uses (Class C3) in those parts of central Bath shown in the report;
- b) authority is delegated to the Divisional Director for Development, in conjunction with the Council Leader to give notice of the Article 4 Direction in accordance with Schedule 3 of the General Permitted Development Order;

- c) The Cabinet considers whether to confirm, abandon or amend the Article 4 Direction following the statutory consultation; and
- d) any public representations made in response to the notice concerning the direction will be reported to the Cabinet for consideration.

Lead officer: Simon De Beer

Revised Tenancy Strategy

The Tenancy Strategy was approved in 2012. It advocates the careful use of flexible tenancies to help meet local housing need. Housing need has been reviewed this year and minor modifications to strategic priorities are proposed.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member - Economic and Community Regeneration

Decision published: 25/01/2018

Effective from: 02/02/2018

Decision:

The Cabinet Member agrees that the proposed Tenancy Strategy 2017 – 2022 is adopted.

Lead officer: Sue Wordsworth

West of England Combined Authority - Approval of Borrowing Cap

To give consent to the Combined Authorities Borrowing Regulations, including the setting of a borrowing cap for the West of England Combined Authority

Decision Maker: Leader of the Council

Decision published: 22/01/2018

Effective from: 30/01/2018

Decision:

The Cabinet Member agrees to:

- (i) Give consent to the Combined Authorities Borrowing Regulations.
- (ii) Delegate to the Chief Executive, authority to make all related decisions and provide written authority to the Secretary of State of consent to the Combined Authorities Regulations.

Lead officer: Gary Adams

Twerton Infant School - Replace Prefabricated Pratten Building

To address condition issues at Twerton Infant School by replacing a prefabricated Pratten building with a refurbished modular building.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member - Finance and Efficiency

Decision published: 22/01/2018

Effective from: 30/01/2018

Decision:

The Cabinet Members agree to give full approval to spend £325,000 Schools Capital Maintenance Grant to replace the poor condition Pratten building at Twerton Infant School.

Lead officer: Anne Leach

SEND Capital Bid

This Single Member Decision seeks agreement for £500k capital funding to assist in increasing capacity for additional SEND places within a small number (four) mainstream schools in B&NES.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member - Children and Young People

Decision published: 17/01/2018

Effective from: 25/01/2018

Decision:

The Cabinet Member agrees with the approval for the Local Authority to utilise £500k to be spent on expanding existing provision within the area to increase placements for children with Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND).

Lead officer: Richard Baldwin

Approval to release funding to repair the ponds at Royal Victoria Park

Approval is sought to release S 106 funding (developer contributions) held by the Council for the improvement of green space. The ponds at Royal Victoria Park need work to stop leaks and aerate the water to prevent algal growth.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member - Finance and Efficiency

Decision published: 08/01/2018

Effective from: 16/01/2018

Decision:

The Cabinet Member for Development & Neighbourhoods and the Cabinet Member for Finance & Efficiency approve:

- The allocation of up to £24,336 of S106 funded developer's contributions towards the repair of the ornamental ponds in Royal Victoria Park, discharging responsibilities associated with S106 agreement for planning reference 12/00980/FUL to improve green spaces in the vicinity of the development.
- To increase the capital programme to incorporate this wholly funded capital spend. All capital expenditure to be funded using developer contributions (Section 106 deposits) ensuring that the work is cost neutral for the authority.

Lead officer: Paul Pearce

Implementation of Changes to the School Funding Formula

Following the introduction of a national funding formula to fund school the Local Authority needs to decide on the funding mechanism to pass the funds to schools.

NOTE:

The undersigned Councillors wish to call in decision E3019 “Implementation of Changes to the School Funding Formula”, taken by the Cabinet Member for Children & Young People on 27 December 2017, for the following reason:

“Insufficient consideration has been given to the alternative options beyond the national Funding Formula and the Local Funding Formula. The report acknowledges that there are many options which could be modelled, but that only one was considered and then dismissed.”

- 1. Councillor Tim Ball*
- 2. Councillor Joe Rayment*
- 3. Councillor Dine Romero*
- 4. Councillor Nigel Roberts*
- 5. Councillor Paul Crossley*
- 6. Councillor Eleanor Jackson*
- 7. Councillor Richard Samuel*
- 8. Councillor Ian Gilchrist*
- 9. Councillor Liz Hardman*
- 10. Councillor John Bull*

The Children and Young People Policy and Development Scrutiny Panel will conduct a Call In meeting on 16th January 2018.

NOTE:

The Children and Young People Policy and Development Scrutiny Panel have dismissed the Call In on 16th January 2018.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member - Children and Young People

Decision published: 27/12/2017

Effective from: 05/01/2018

Decision:

The Cabinet Member agrees that the implementation of the new National Funding Formula (NFF) methodology is adopted from the 2018-19 financial year.

The Cabinet Member agrees to ensure that all schools receive 0.5% increase per pupil as a minimum.

Lead officer: Richard Morgan

Event Policy Review 2017

The Events Policy was agreed by Cabinet on 9 November 2011. The document was revised and approved, via Single Member Cabinet Decision on 31 March 2015, a further revision is required to tighten the process for events across B&NES.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member - Development and Neighbourhoods

Decision published: 18/12/2017

Effective from: 28/12/2017

Decision:

The Cabinet Member agrees the Events Policy Review – November 2017.

Lead officer: Lynda Deane

Bright Start Childrens Centre Services - Parkside Children Centre and Family Intervention Team relocation

Bright Start Children's Centre Services currently operate from Parkside Children Centre, Charlotte Street, Bath. The Social Care Family Intervention Team currently operates from 117 Newbridge Hill, Bath. Both services are located in buildings which are not suitable in the long term, both need significant investment in alterations and improvements so that they are suitable for future use. Whilst the People & Community Directorate has looked at alternative options, capital funding to enable such developments has been limited.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member - Finance and Efficiency

Decision published: 18/12/2017

Effective from: 28/12/2017

Decision:

The Cabinet Members agree:

- The proposal to relocate staff from Parkside Children's Centre and 117 Newbridge Hill into one adapted premises in Charlotte Street, Bath.
- To approve £718k of the provisionally approved sum of £7.445 million in the 17/18 capital budget for Innovation Quay, to fund the refurbishment of accommodation in Charlotte Street.
- Approve the disposal of 117 Newbridge Hill to ADL, and to release the receipt in whole or in part to contribute to the Healthy Living Centre in Radstock.
- Approve the transfer of the Parkside site to the Place Directorate for incorporation into plans linked to Bath Quays regeneration.

Lead officer: Richard Baldwin

St Nicholas CofE Primary - Expansion to 420 Places

Request approval to proceed with a capital project to expand St Nicholas CofE Primary from a 270 place school to 420 places. Expansion of school accommodation is required due to population growth generated by new housing development.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member - Finance and Efficiency

Decision published: 28/11/2017

Effective from: 06/12/2017

Decision:

Cabinet Members agree to give full approval of £2,473,000 of the provisionally approved project budget of £2,500,000 to be included in the 2017-18 and 2018-19 Schools Capital Programme, to expand school place provision at St Nicholas CofE Primary School, Radstock.

Lead officer: Anne Leach