

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

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AGHL Interim Dividend Report

Approval of the proposed interim dividend payable to the Shareholder in order to meet the total Council Returns target set of £1m for each of the financial years 2020/21 and 2021/22.

A formal Shareholder Decision will then be required in accordance with the Shareholder Agreement, Reserved Matters for the actual dividend payment to be made from Aequus Group Holdings Limited to the Council (Shareholder).

Decision Maker: Council Leader

Decision published: 26/10/2022

Effective from: 25/10/2022

Decision:

To approve the proposed interim dividends of £460k for 2020/21 and £709k for 2021/22 to the shareholder, in accordance with the requirements of the Shareholder Agreement, reserved matters.

Wards affected: All Wards

Lead officer: Simon Martin

Bath City Centre Security

To formalise an increase in budget to enable award of contract to implement City Centre Security measures due to exceptional cost increases since the scheme budget was set in February 2020. This will utilise corporate supported borrowing funding currently reserved in the Capital Programme Contingency.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Transport

Decision published: 24/10/2022

Effective from: 01/11/2022

Decision:

(1) To agree that works should proceed on York Street, and reconfiguration of the scheme should be delivered in a phased approach during 2022/23 and 2023/24, subject to approval of 2023/24 budget growth.

(2) To approve further sums from the remaining provisional budget of £848k to bring the total budget allocation for the City Centre to £3.03m.

(3) To award the contract to Volker Highways, for works orders to be issued.

Wards affected: Kingsmead

Lead officer: Lynda Deane

Liveable Neighbourhoods Update Report

An update report on the progress on the Liveable Neighbourhoods projects.

Decision Maker: Council Leader

Decision published: 18/10/2022

Effective from: 26/10/2022

Decision:

To delegate the decision to:

(1) Agree the proposed shortlists to be taken forward to preliminary design and engagement; and

(2) Proceed with the implementation of the four pilot interventions set out in the report and, following preliminary design and engagement and final design and consultation, the shortlisted interventions

to the Lead Member for Sustainable Transport and Directors of Place Management and Sustainable Communities, in consultation with cabinet members and ward councillors.

Wards affected: All Wards

Lead officer: Nick Helps

Variation to Street Works Permit Scheme

Decision to make a variation order for the Street Works Permit Scheme which would enable fees for street works permits to be changed.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Transport

Decision published: 17/10/2022

Effective from: 25/10/2022

Decision:

A variation order shall be made to the street works permit scheme which will enable the fees as outlined in Table 1 of the report relating to E3384 to be introduced.

Wards affected: All Wards

Lead officer: Paul Garrod

Fairfield House and 27 Burleigh Gardens - New Lease

Bath and North East Somerset Council wishes to regularise the current occupation of land and buildings comprising Fairfield House and 27 Burleigh Gardens, Bath, BA1 3RR. It is intended that the regularisation will be through a two-year lease arrangement with Fairfield House Bath CIC.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Adult Services and Council House Building

Decision published: 04/10/2022

Effective from: 12/10/2022

Decision:

To delegate to the Director of Regeneration and Housing authority to:

- (1) Grant a new lease for a two-year term, which will be outside of the security of tenure provisions set out in the Landlord and Tenant Act, 1954 at an annual rent of £1,200 per annum.
- (2) The lease will be predominantly on the basis of the Landlord being responsible for repairing and insuring the property.
- (3) The Landlord will carry out some limited works at the start of the lease.
- (4) Based on the terms as set out in the Heads of Terms
- (5) During the two-year lease period the tenant will develop plans to apply for a Community Asset Transfer (CAT) or a new longer lease (25 years).
- (6) The tenant will, during the lease period, arrange and develop stand-alone funding, business and any partnership plans in consultation with the corporate estate and service department.

Wards affected: Newbridge

Lead officer: Mandy Bishop

B&NES Tree and Woodland Delivery Plan - adoption

This Council declared a climate and ecological emergency in 2019 and set a target of carbon neutrality by 2030. Tree and woodland planting is an important tool in addressing these emergencies.

On the 10th October 2019 B&NES Council agreed a motion to increase tree cover and develop a clear strategy for planting trees in B&NES with a target of planting 100,000 trees within the district with partners and communities, by May 2023. The tree and woodland delivery plan (Appendix A & B of the report) detail this strategy and is intended to be a "live" document to be updated annually with progress. The majority of the B&NES district sits within the Forest of Avon (one of England's Community Forests which allocates grant funding), and our local B&NES 'strategic tree planting objectives' are encapsulated within the Forest of Avon Plan.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Economic Development and Resources
Decision published: 28/09/2022
Effective from: 06/10/2022

Decision:

The Cabinet Member agrees:

- (1) The content of the Tree and Woodland Delivery Plan.
- (2) To note that the plan is intended to be a live document with regular updates.
- (3) To note progress towards the target of 100,000 trees to be planted in B&NES during the current administration period to May 2023.

Wards affected: All Wards
Lead officer: Carol Maclellan

Fees and Charges 2022/23 - Highways and Traffic

This is an annual report, the fees and charges have been updated to reflect inflation, cost increases in contracts and to ensure adequate recovery of costs across the service.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Transport
Decision published: 26/09/2022
Effective from: 04/10/2022

Decision:

The Cabinet Member agrees:

- (1) The recommendation for new fees, charges and commuted sums for relevant services as proposed in Appendices 1 and 2 of the report.
- (2) The fees, charges and commuted sums as approved are implemented from and including 1 September 2022.
- (3) Delegated authority is given to the Highways and Traffic Group Manager in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Transport to agree fees and charges which vary from the standard inflation clause if the cost base changes or new services are introduced, and that this can be done at 6-month intervals if external factors influence the cost base significantly throughout the financial year.

Wards affected: All Wards
Lead officer: Gary Peacock

B&NES New Local Plan Launch

The preparation of a new Local Plan for B&NES provides the opportunity for the Council to look afresh at its planning policy framework for the district. As this is a long-term plan (20 years), and because the Local Plan is the Council's primary tool for place shaping and the basis of decision-making on development and the use of land, the Council needs to ensure the Plan is sufficiently ambitious to deliver the

Council's priorities and is responsive to local community concerns. In particular, the new Local Plan will play a key role in helping to deliver the Council's priorities in responding to the climate and ecological emergencies.

The preparation of the Local Plan will commence with the publication of a Launch Document in September 2022. The Launch Document will outline the purpose, scope and timetable of the Local Plan and how communities and stakeholders can be involved.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Planning and Licensing

Decision published: 26/09/2022

Effective from: 04/10/2022

Decision:

The Cabinet Member agrees:

- The new Local Plan Launch document (Annex 1 of the report) for publication (including editorial updates listed below)
 - The revised Local Development Scheme 2022 (Annex 2 of the report)
 - The Engagement Strategy (Annex 3 of the report) for the preparation of the new Local Plan (including editorial updates listed below)
 - The Statement of Community Engagement (Annex 4 of the report), and
 - To delegate authority to the Head of Planning, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Licensing, to make minor amendments and correct any errors to the above four documents before publication.
- In making this decision some editorial updates are agreed by the Cabinet Member to the Local Plan Launch document and Engagement Strategy as set out below:
- Local Plan Launch Document:
 - Dates updated to take account of October launch
 - Additional text added to emphasise the importance of the Local Plan in improving people's lives and health and well-being
 - Reference to net zero carbon target
 - Additional text to specify types of housing to be delivered
 - Reference to creation of vibrant town and city centres
 - Editorial amendments to text relating to the Doughnut Economics Model
 - Update to text relating to the questions asked in the Launch Consultation
- Engagement Strategy:
 - Dates updated to take account of October launch
 - References to initial engagement with the community (stages 2A and 2C) amended to focus on targeted engagement with community groups
 - Removal of reference to "newsletter page" on the website

- Insertion of list of main duty to cooperate bodies

Wards affected: All Wards

Lead officer: Richard Daone

Grant for Cleveland Pools Trust

Contribution towards the costs to complete refurbishment of Cleveland Pools.

Decision Maker: Council Leader

Decision published: 11/08/2022

Effective from: 19/08/2022

Decision:

To fully approve £340k for Cleveland Pools Trust being funded from the Council's corporate capital contingency budget.

Wards affected: Bathwick;

Lead officer: Maria Newton

Approach Pitch and Putt Golf Course Procurement

Bath and North East Somerset Council has undertaken a market engagement exercise to both alert the market to the potential upcoming procurement process, and to assist with the development of tender documentation to find a new operator of the Approach Pitch and Putt Golf Course.

There appears to be adequate interest from the supplier market to continue with the procurement process as planned and a Single Member Decision is required to move to Stage 2 and allocate resource.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Neighbourhood Services

Decision published: 11/08/2022

Effective from: 19/08/2022

Decision:

To move to Stage 2 of the procurement process to find a new operator for the Approach Pitch and Putt Golf Course.

Wards affected: All Wards

Lead officer: Martin Pellow

Energy Rebate Discretionary Fund Scheme

A Discretionary scheme to provide financial support for rising energy costs.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Adult Services and Council House Building

Decision published: 28/07/2022

Effective from: 05/08/2022

Decision:

The Cabinet Member agrees to introduce the Energy Rebate Discretionary scheme as set out in the document Energy Rebate Discretionary Fund Policy.

Wards affected: All Wards

Lead officer: Damien Peak

Bath West Children's Centre Service Procurement

The Bath West Children's Centre Service is a key part of the Early Help offer for Bath and North East Somerset. The contract expires at the end of March 2023, but it was recommended to extend for a further year until March 2024 before considering the future longer term tender options to allow sufficient time to ensure the future children's centre service aligns with emerging national key policies and areas of work, such as Family Hubs and SEND Review, to ensure that the Council goes out to tender for the right service.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Children and Young People, Communities and Culture

Decision published: 27/07/2022

Effective from: 04/08/2022

Decision:

The Cabinet Member agrees that the Bath West Children's Centre service contract shall be awarded to the current provider (Action for Children) for a further year from 1st April 2023 until 31st March 2024.

Wards affected: Moorlands; Twerton

Lead officer: Ellie Weyman

Household Support Fund from 1 April 2022

To delegate responsibility to the S151 Officer, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Economic Development and Resources, on how the Household Support Fund for 2022 and subsequent periods should be allocated.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Adult Services and Council House Building

Decision published: 21/07/2022

Effective from: 29/07/2022

Decision:

The Cabinet Member agrees to delegate responsibility for decisions on how the Council's Household Support Fund grant allocation should be used, to the S151

Officer, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Economic Development and Resources, including subsequent iterations of the scheme and similar grants.

Wards affected: All Wards

Lead officer: Damien Peak
