

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

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### **Revised Street Naming and Numbering Policy**

Revised Street Naming and numbering Policy, to take account of various changes that have come about in recent years.

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Built Environment and Sustainable Development

**Decision published:** 13/10/2023

**Effective from:** 21/10/2023

**Decision:**

To approve and adopt the revised street naming and numbering policy.

**Wards affected:** All Wards

**Lead officer:** Martin Laker

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### **AGHL Interim Dividend to Shareholder**

Approval of Reserved Matter 32 to allow AGHL to progress with payment of the interim dividend for financial year 2022/23.

**Decision Maker:** Council Leader

**Decision published:** 10/10/2023

**Effective from:** 10/10/2023

**Decision:**

To approve the reserved matter below to allow AGHL to progress with paying the interim dividend of £848K for 2022/23 to the Shareholder in order to meet the total Council Returns target set of £1m for the financial year 2022/23.

Reserved Matter 32 - Declaring or paying any end of year dividend of the Company (where applicable).

**Wards affected:** All Wards

**Lead officer:** Susan Hayter

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## **Market Sale of 7 Riverside View Apartments owned by Aequus Developments Ltd (ADL)**

Approval of Reserved Matter 22 covering disposal of assets that will exceed £500k but less than £5m in order to reduce level of debt.

**Decision Maker:** Council Leader

**Decision published:** 10/10/2023

**Effective from:** 10/10/2023

### **Decision:**

To approve the reserved matter below, to allow ADL to progress with the disposal of 7 Riverside View apartments on the open market using a phased approach using the surplus monies to reduce the level debt on the 5 remaining apartments to ensure continued viability.

Reserved Matter 22 – approval of total asset disposals that will exceed £500,000 but less than £5M.

**Wards affected:** All Wards

**Lead officer:** Susan Hayter

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## **Local Authority Housing Fund Delivery Programme**

Decision to support the delivery of the Local Authority Housing Fund (LAHF) programme which will deliver 22 homes for Ukrainian and Afghan families. Purchase of the open market properties will be via LAHF grant passported via the Council together with additional borrowing from the existing ADL Loan Agreement. Therefore, in accordance with the Shareholder Agreement 2018, updated in 2022, Aequus must seek approval from the Shareholder for Reserved Matters 22 and 28.

**Decision Maker:** Council Leader

**Decision published:** 02/10/2023

**Effective from:** 02/10/2023

### **Decision:**

To approve the reserved matters below, to allow ADL to progress with supporting the Council to deliver this programme:

- Reserved Matter 22 – approval of total asset acquisitions that will exceed £500,000 but less than £5M
- Reserved Matter 28 – Making any borrowing

**Wards affected:** All Wards

**Lead officer:** Susan Hayter

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## **Bath College SEND Residential Provision**

The proposal is to build a 12-bed residential unit linked to the SEND Wellow Centre at Bath College, Somer Valley site. The college is providing the land on which this is to be built. This would accommodate young people with special educational needs aged 16+. This is a stepping stone between living at home and moving to either supported living or independent living. The proposal is for 12 bedrooms each with en-suite plus a carers room, together with communal kitchen and living areas. The rationale for this provision is to offer a residential element in B&NES thereby preventing expensive out of area placements at independent residential colleges. There are many benefits to the young people remaining in their local area for example - local employment, social, economic and environmental reasons. A capital loan of £4m has been agreed in principle.

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Children's Services

**Decision published:** 26/09/2023

**Effective from:** 04/10/2023

### **Decision:**

(1) To give full approval to the capital project of £4m as a grant allocation to Bath College to build a 12-bed residential unit on the College land at the Somer Valley campus. This is within the spend set by the Council.

(2) To delegate to the Director of Education & Safeguarding, in consultation with the 151 Officer, to enter into capital grant and operating agreements with Bath College for the provision of SEND residential placements - through a new build unit.

**Wards affected:** All Wards

**Lead officer:** Rosemary Collard

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## **RULE 3.5.15 - Local Authority Housing Fund Delivery Programme**

To provide Afghan and Ukraine households who have arrived in the UK via specified resettlement and relocation schemes with safe and suitable long-term accommodation. On 14<sup>th</sup> March the Council agreed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities to provide 22 units of such accommodation in return for funding.

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Built Environment and Sustainable Development

**Decision published:** 21/09/2023

**Effective from:** 21/09/2023

### **Decision:**

In consultation with the Cabinet Member for Resources, the Cabinet member agrees to:

- 1.1 The acceptance of the principles of the scheme as articulated in the:
- (1) LAHF Memorandum of Understanding dated 14th March, including providing 22 units of suitable accommodation in return for accepting £3.04m of DLUHC funding, attached in Appendix 1 of the report.
  - (2) The LAHF High-Level Business case, attached in Appendix 2 of the report.
  - (3) The contracting of Aequus to deliver and manage the homes required as detailed within the report.
- 1.2 In consultation with the Cabinet Member for Resources, to delegate:
- (1) Entry to the B&NES and Aequus LAHF Agreement contracting delivery of the programme and;
  - (2) All operational decisions, including agreement of individual property business cases, to the Director of Regeneration & Housing in consultation with the s151 and Monitoring Officers.
- 1.3 To safeguard the properties purchased through the grant funding by imposing a restrictive covenant on title requiring that the Council hold the properties solely for affordable housing purposes.
- 1.4 To amend the capital programme, having regard to the existing full approval of programme initiation costs of £250k, as follows:
- (1) Full approval of a further sum of £1,812k reflecting estimates for 10 Open Market Purchases funded by DLUHC grant and full recognition of earmarked Homelessness Prevention Grant contribution of £267k.
  - (2) Provisional Programme of £1,245k for the balance of DLUHC funding to be contingency for above and a sum for transferring Council Properties (creating 12 units) when estimates are fully completed (to be updated by future Officer Delegated Decisions).
  - (3) Noting estimated loans of £1,328k to Aequus will be reflected in existing Approval for Property Company Investment - Council (Loan): Developments.

**Wards affected:** All

**Lead officer:** Graham Sabourn

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## **CIL for Bath Advisory Board Recommendations Round Fourteen**

To agree the recommendation from the CIL for Bath Advisory Board relating to the round fourteen allocation of funding (£171,301) for five projects from Bath's "neighbourhood portion" of the Community Infrastructure Levy.

**Decision Maker:** Council Leader  
**Decision published:** 21/09/2023  
**Effective from:** 29/09/2023

**Decision:**

To agree:

- (1) An allocation of £15,000 to St Andrews Community Church towards the refurbishment of the community centre.
- (2) An allocation of £3,640 to Percy Community Centre for the replacement of the Annexe Doors.
- (3) An allocation of £25,353 to Percy Community Centre for the resurfacing of the outdoor multi use sports court.
- (4) An allocation of £52,389 to Bath Youth for Christ for the refurbishment of the toilets and kitchen facilities at the Roundhill Hub.
- (5) An allocation of £74,919 to Your Park Bristol & Bath to create the UK's first park to meet young females needs at Brickfields.

**Wards affected:** All Wards  
**Lead Officer:** Mark Hayward

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### **Bath West Children's Centre Service Procurement**

To consider directly awarding the Bath West Children's Centre Service to the existing provider for a further year (until 31st March 2025), in order to align commissioning intentions with other strategic aims.

**Decision Maker:** Cabinet Member for Children's Services  
**Decision published:** 05/09/2023  
**Effective from:** 13/09/2023

**Decision:**

To agree that a direct award for the Bath West Children's Centre Service be made to the existing provider for a further year (until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025).

**Wards affected:** Moorlands; Twerton  
**Lead Officer:** Ellie Weyman