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

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Local Authority Housing Fund (Round 3)

To agree a Memorandum of Understanding with MHCLG to provide 5 units of accommodation in return for £907k of funding as part of the Local Authority Housing Fund (LAHF) Round 3 funding agreement.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Built Environment, Housing and Sustainable

Development

Decision published: 19/08/2024 Effective from: 19/08/2024

Decision:

- (1) To accept the MHCLG offer of £944k grant to expand the scheme by a further 5 properties in accordance with the principles articulated and agreed in the original LAHF Round 1 decision (E3480) and supported by the additional high-level business case attached in Appendix 1 of the report.
- (2) To delegate all operational decisions, including agreement of Memorandum of Understanding with MHCLG, individual property business cases, to the Director of Capital & Housing and Aequus loan funding decisions to the s151 Officer.
- (3) To increase the capital programme for the Local Authority Housing fund, having regard to the existing full approval of £3.567m, as follows:
- (i) Full approval of additional capital budget of £1.175m which reflects estimates for purchases of five properties on the open market funded by £938k government grant from MHCLG, £75k Afghan Integration Tariff, £139k Homelessness Prevention Grant and £23k from developer S106 contributions.
- (ii) Noting estimated loans of £637k to Aequus will be reflected in the existing Approval for Property Company Investment Council (Loan): Developments.

Wards affected: (All Wards)
Lead officer: Graham Sabourn

Bath West Children's Centre Service

In-sourcing the Bath West Children's Centre Services, to be delivered by the Council-run Bright Start Children's Centre Services from 1st April 2025.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Children's Services

Decision published: 07/08/2024

Effective from: 15/08/2024

Decision:

To agree that the Bath West Children's Centre Service will be in-sourced from 1st April 2025.

Wards affected: Southdown: Twerton

Lead officer: Ellie Weyman

<u>Fixed Penalty Notices for Environmental and Anti-Social Behaviour Offences</u>

In July 2023, the Government laid out a statutory instrument, the Environmental Offences (Fixed Penalties) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2023 increasing the upper limits for various Fixed Penalty Notices (FPNs) to provide the ability to further deter offenders. The Council currently have agreed levels for these offences, and these will be increased to reflect the new upper limits.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Neighbourhood Services

Decision published: 05/08/2024

Effective from: 13/08/2024

Decision:

(1) To set the fixed penalty charges at the level specified in the table below:

Offence Dropping litter in the street or any place open to the air to which the public have access or littering from a vehicle	Fixed Penalty Charge £200(£150 if paid within 14 days)
Not putting out domestic waste or recycling properly	£60
Not putting commercial or industrial waste out properly – EPA section 47	£110
Giving household waste to an unlicensed company for disposal	£300

Failure to produce a waste transfer note for commercial waste	£500
Fly tipping – bag/sack of domestic/commercial waste left next to a litter bin	£200
Flytipping – Individual Flytipping own household waste	£400
Flytipping – All other incidents not covered above	£600
Allowing your dog to foul a street or public space	£200
Graffiti Flyposting Unauthorised distribution of literature on designated land	£500 £500 £200
Failure to comply with a Community Protection Notice issued for an environmental related offence.	£100

(2) To agree that the implementation of all future changes to Fixed Penalty charges are delegated to and implemented by the Director of Place Management, or any successor or equivalent role to that post, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member.

Wards affected: (All Wards)
Lead officer: Sarah Alder

<u>Aequus, Shareholder Reserve Matters Decision - Appointment of Executive Director</u>

The existing Executive Director of Operations is retiring at the end of September 2024 and as such Aequus Group have undertaken a robust recruitment campaign to appointment a new Executive Director and a preferred candidate has now been identified for the role for Shareholder approval.

Decision Maker: Council Leader **Decision published:** 11/07/2024 **Effective from:** 11/07/2024

Decision:

To agree the appointment of Andrew Johnston as the Aequus – Executive Director of Operations.

Wards affected: (All Wards) Lead officer: Simon Martin

B&NES Homes: Annual Rent Increase 2024/25

To agree B&NES Homes rent increases for 2024/25.

Decision Maker: Cabinet Member for Built Environment, Housing and Sustainable

Development

Decision published: 08/07/2024 **Effective from:** 16/07/2024

Decision:

To agree that the rent increases documented in the report are implemented.

Wards affected: (All Wards) Lead officer: Graham Sabourn