

CABINET Post-Decision

Summary of the Decisions taken

Date of Meeting Monday, 16th December, 2019 **Issued By:-** Nick Pontone

Date of Delivery to Members: Tuesday, 17th December, 2019

Date which any call in must be received by: Tuesday, 24th December, 2019

Implementation of decisions delayed to: Friday, 27th December, 2019

(Other than those items marked with an asterisk (*) which need to be implemented urgently and those items marked with a hash (#) which have been considered by scrutiny in the past 6th months and cannot be called in).

AGENDA ITEM.	SUBJECT MATTER	DECISION PROPOSED	WARD	PROPOSED TO BE RESOLVED/ RECOMMENDED
1.	Declarations of Interest	<p>Item 4 – Council Taxbases 2020/21: Councillor Mann declared that she was the chair of Britwell Parish Council.</p> <p>Item 7 – Tower & Ashbourne Houses Redevelopment: Councillor Akram declared that she lived close to Tower House and Ashbourne House.</p>	-	-

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		Item 7 – Tower & Ashbourne Houses Redevelopment: Councillor Nazir declared a personal interest but retained an open mind.		
2.	Minutes of the Meeting held on 18th November 2019	Approved.	-	Resolved
3.	Performance & Projects Report Q2 2019/20	That the Council's current performance as measured by the performance indicators within the balanced scorecard, the progress status of the gold projects and the manifesto commitments be noted.	All	Resolved
4.	Council Taxbases 2020/21	<p>(a) That the level of council tax discount in respect of second homes remains at 0%.</p> <p>(b) That the level of discount in respect of long-term empty properties remains at 0%, with the charge of a 100% Empty Home Premium for on properties that have been empty longer than 2 years.</p> <p>(c) That the collection rate for council tax for 2020/21 be set at 98.4%. This is the same rate as for 2019/20.</p> <p>(d) In accordance with the Local Government Finance Act 2012 and the Local Authorities' (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 2012 the amount calculated by Slough Borough Council as its council tax base for 2020/21 shall be:</p>	All	Resolved

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		<p>i) Parish of Britwell 868.6 ii)Parish of Colnbrook with Poyle1,912.9 iii)Parish of Wexham Court 1,416.5 iv)Slough Town 38,720.1 v)All areas 42,918.1</p> <p>(e) That the S151 officer be delegated with responsibility to adjust the taxbase following Cabinet due to any changes in Government guidance around this subject and the Collection Fund figures for distribution.</p> <p>(f) That the S151 officer be delegated with responsibility to adjust the taxbase following Cabinet should any new property information become available and the Collection Fund figures for distribution require amendment.</p> <p>(g) That the S151 officer be delegated with responsibility to set the Business Rates baseline following consultation with the Lead member for Governance and Customer Services.</p>		
5.	Medium Term Financial Strategy (2020/21 to 2022/23) and Initial 2020/21 Budget Considerations	(a) That the revised Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) is approved, as the basis for considering 2020/21 budget options;	All	Resolved

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		<p>(b) That the 2020/21 budget is modelled on the basis of a Council Tax increase of 3.99% for 2020/21 (which includes the Government's 2.00% adult social care precept), for resource planning purposes; the 3.99% is for modelling purposes only at this time. The decision on the Council Tax to be set for 2020/21 will be made by members in February and may not be at the maximum figure included in the MTFS once the budget work has been finalised.</p> <p>(c) That the ongoing uncertainty is noted, regarding the extent to which the Authority may retain a share of business rates growth and the way that central government assesses the Authority's need to spend in the future. This makes medium term financial planning more difficult than usual;</p> <p>(d) That the timing of the provisional local government finance settlement is noted, as it will be announced later than normal (due to the General Election), so the time for scrutinising budget proposals will be less than usual;</p> <p>(e) That the initial savings proposals (and additional income generation proposals) are noted, as they are designed</p>		

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		<p>primarily to fund some of the additional 2020/21 spending pressures from Slough Children's Services Trust (SCST).</p>		
6.	The Transfer of Relevant Adoption Services from the Trust to a Regional Adoption Agency	<p>(a) That the Council join the Regional Adoption Agency arrangements hosted by the London Borough of Harrow in order to procure adoption services provided by the Thomas Coram Foundation for Children under those arrangements; and</p> <p>(b) That powers be delegated to the Director of Children, Learning and Skills Services, in consultation with the Lead Member for Children and Schools, to agree all terms with the London Borough of Harrow, the Secretary of State For Education, the Thomas Coram Foundation for Children, the Slough Children's Services Trust and other participant authorities and to arrange for the Council to enter into or execute all deeds and agreements necessary to put such arrangements into effect, and</p> <p>(c) That a delegation to the Director of Children, Learning and Skills to make all further decisions regarding the final arrangements to enable the Council join the RAA including amendments to the arrangements with SCST as appropriate, and</p>	All	Resolved

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		<p>(d) That powers be delegated to the Director of Children, Learning and Skills, in consultation with the Section 151 officer, to approve the financial model and funding contributions, and</p> <p>(e) That the requirement for the TUPE transfer of adoption staff from SCST to Thomas Coram Foundation for Children is noted.</p>		
7.	Tower & Ashbourne Houses Redevelopment	<p>(a) To acknowledge that no responses were received following the advertisement of notice of intention to appropriate those parts of the relevant land that comprise open space under section 122(2A) of the Local Government Act 1972;</p> <p>(b) To appropriate the Council Interests for planning purposes so as to facilitate the comprehensive regeneration of land at and adjacent to Tower House and Ashbourne House, including the provision of affordable housing, subject to the consent of the Secretary of State under section 19(2) of the Housing act 1985;</p> <p>(c) Affirm the decision to proceed with the CPO as considered at the meeting of Cabinet on 18 November 2019;</p>	Chalvey	Resolved

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		<p>(d) Acknowledge that the appropriation of the Council Interests and the compulsory purchase of the interests in the Order Land will enable reliance on Section 203 of the Housing and Planning Act 2016 to override third party rights affected by works on or use of that land;</p> <p>(e) To note the delegation to the Service Lead for Housing Development and Contracts authority to proceed with making and effecting the confirmation and implementation of the CPO following the appropriation, under the powers delegated by the resolutions made at the Cabinet meeting on 4 February 2019 and 18 November 2019 including seeking the Secretary of State's Consent further to section 19(2) of the Housing Act 1985.</p>		
8.	Procurement of Community Mental Health Accommodation Services	The procurement of a care and support service for a new supported accommodation service for people with mental health needs.	All	-
9.	Amendment to Temporary Accommodation and Private Sector Placement Policy	That delegated authority be given to the Director of Place and Development, following consultation with the Lead Member for Housing, the decision to agree the resource allocation for this policy going forward.	All	Resolved
10.	References from Overview & Scrutiny	There were no references from the Overview & Scrutiny Committee or scrutiny panels.		-
11.	Notification of Forthcoming Decisions	Endorsed.	All	Resolved

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12.	Exclusion of Press and Public	Agreed.	-	Resolved
13.	Part II Minutes - 18th November 2019	To approve the Part II minutes of the last meeting.	-	Resolved
14.	Tower & Ashbourne Houses Redevelopment - Appendices	Part II	Chalvey	-
15.	Update on the Financial Position at Slough Children's Services Trust	Part II	All	-
16.	Nova House - Update on Progress	Part II	Central	-
17.	Compulsory Purchase Order: Acquisition of 6 Carlisle Road, SL1 3DG	Part II	All	-