

FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 19 DECEMBER 2017 AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

REPORT OF: Chief Executive, Corporate Finance Manager

SUBJECT: FINANCIAL FORECAST AND BUDGET POSITION

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: To receive the verbal update.

DECISION: To receive the verbal update.

REASON FOR DECISION: To receive the update.

CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: As outlined in the verbal update.


RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: As outlined in the verbal update.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **19 DECEMBER 2017** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 5**

REPORT OF: **Chief Executive, Chief Officer (Community and Enterprise)**

SUBJECT: **NORTH WALES ECONOMIC GROWTH DEAL BID PROGRESS REPORT**

- RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:**
- (1) Cabinet is asked to support and endorse the Growth Deal Bid submitted to the UK and Welsh Governments and to note the timescales for each of the next stages of bid development; and
 - (2) Cabinet is asked to note and support the priority schemes which could provide local benefit in Flintshire.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: Extensive prior consultation underpins the bid document and is ongoing.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: None directly at this stage beyond making a revenue contribution of £50k in 2017/18. There will be ongoing revenue costs of servicing a joint committee, and the more significant costs for programme and project management for the development and implementation of the strategy from April 2018.

Potential capital costs are being evaluated with detailed consideration being given as to how the partners can limit their liabilities and financial risk exposure as part of the Growth Deal Bid negotiations. Capital schemes will be

progressed on a rigorous business case evaluation which will look to establish benefits to the economy that substantially exceed investment costs.

As part of a Growth Deal UK Government will be requested to repay the principal capital sum proportion of borrowing for approved proposals. To date, most deals have involved Treasury Borrowing Approvals and some devolution of existing UK Government revenue funding to be integrated with existing local funding to gain better value from integrated programmes. In Wales, local spending includes Welsh Government revenue funding for specific programmes.

Delegation of a proportion of Business Rate growth to local authorities would provide an investment stream.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None.

DISPENSATIONS

None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **19 DECEMBER 2017** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 6**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Community and Enterprise)**

SUBJECT: **CUSTOMER INVOLVEMENT STRATEGY**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: To approve the implementation of the revised Customer Involvement Strategy and Action Plan 2018-2021.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** Consultation with Tenants' Federation and other engaged customers was carried out as part of the strategy review process.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: The Strategy and Action Plan will be delivered within existing budget and staffing resource.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **19 DECEMBER 2017** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 7**

REPORT OF: **Corporate Finance Manager**

SUBJECT: **REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2017/18 (MONTH 7)**

- RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:**
- (1) To note the overall report and the projected Council Fund contingency sum as at 31st March 2018; and
 - (2) To note the projected final level of balances on the Housing Revenue Account (HRA).

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** None required.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: The Revenue Budget Monitoring Report reflects the planned use of the financial resources of the Council for the current financial year and details the variations in the first four months and the risks as known.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **19 DECEMBER 2017** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 9**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Streetscene and Transportation)**

SUBJECT: **THE INTRODUCTION OF GARDEN WASTE
CHARGES IN FLINTSHIRE**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That Cabinet approves the charging policy for the Garden Waste Service and the arrangements detailed within the report for the smooth introduction of the charge which forms part of Stage One budget proposals for 2018/19.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation with an additional recommendation as detailed below:

- (2) That a full review of charges, possible concessions and take up rates is undertaken between September and December 2018.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** A Member workshop was held in October 2016 seeking views on the proposed changes to waste services and one of the recommendations was the possibility of charging for garden waste collections. The suggestion was further raised at budget workshops over the summer 2017 when the proposal received broad support.

Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee recommended Cabinet approve the proposals at their meeting in November 2018.

Extensive communications with residents is required, once the details of the proposals have been approved by

Cabinet.

A full Equalities Impact Assessment has been completed on the proposal.

Once the service is established a further period of consultation on the future direction of the garden waste service can be undertaken. This will include gaining residents opinion and input into the following developments:

- The potential to extend the service over the full year;
- The use of microchips within the bin to log and record collections;
- Payment mechanisms (Standing Order etc); and
- The potential to offer a reduced rate for residents on benefits will also be considered during the first year of introduction however it would be difficult to provide such a discount without passing additional costs onto other non-eligible residents.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

There will be a reduction in the number of front line operational staff required to operate the service which will be taken up from existing vacancies within the service.

The financial benefit to introducing a charge is significant and is detailed in the report.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None.

DISPENSATIONS

None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **19 DECEMBER 2017** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 10**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Planning and Environment)**

SUBJECT: **THE RELEASE OF CHINESE LANTERNS FROM
COUNCIL LAND**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That Council introduce a voluntary ban on the release of sky lanterns from Council owned/controlled land; and that a communication exercise be undertaken to make consumers and charity organisations aware of the risks associated with sky lanterns and the fact they should not be released from Council owned/controlled land.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** A publicity exercise will be required.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: None.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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