FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 19 JUNE 2018 AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

REPORT OF: Chief Executive

SUBJECT: COUNCIL PLAN 2018/19

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:

(a) To endorse the Council Plan 2018/19 for recommendation for adoption by the County Council;

and

(b) To authorise the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, to finalise the format and presentation style for the

published version.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONSAll Members have had the opportunity to consider and review the content of the

draft Plan themes and priorities including the opportunity to scrutinise targets set for

2018/19. A summary of the

considerations was appended to the

report.

Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee has also considered the contents and amendments to the final published document that have been

made.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: Resource implications have been

considered during preparation of the Medium Term Financial Stategy and will continue to be monitored during the regular budget monitoring and financial

review arrangements.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 19 JUNE 2018 AGENDA ITEM NO. 5

REPORT OF: Chief Executive

SUBJECT: GROWTH VISION AND STRATEGY FOR THE

ECONOMY OF NORTH WALES: GOVERNANCE

<u>AGREEMENT</u>

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: (a)

(a) That progress on the development of a Growth Deal Bid is noted and welcomed:

- (b) That the first stage Governance
 Agreement is approved subject to
 the full Council's approval of the
 non-executive arrangements;
- (c) That the Council be presented with the final draft Growth Deal Bid for review and consent in September/October prior to the stage of reaching Heads of Terms with both Governments;
- (d) That delegated authority be given to the Chief Executive and Chief Officer (Governance) in consultation with the Leader of the Council to finalise the terms of the Governance Agreement in accordance with the draft attached to the report; and
- (e) That the executive arrangements contained with the Governance Agreement be included in the Constitution and that Council be requested to include the non-executive arrangements within the Constitution.

DECISION:

As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS

REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:

There is extensive consultation across sectors in the development of the Bid and its priority content. The partners to the Bid have been encouraged to hold internal briefings with their respective memberships. Engagement of the private sector has been continuous, primarily through the North Wales Mersey Dee Business Council. Engagement with the Welsh Government and UK Government is at Cabinet Secretary and Secretary of

State level.

A Growth Deal Bid is a major investment **RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:**

in a region by Governments with risks and benefits shared with the local authorities

and their partners in the region. Investment capacity is a major

consideration in designing the Bid. The full cost implications of the possible

Growth Deal will be reported at the Heads

of Terms stage.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

None. **DISPENSATIONS**

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 19 JUNE 2018 AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

REPORT OF: Chief Officer (Education and Youth)

DECISION:

SUBJECT: SCHOOL MODERNISATION – SCHOOL

STANDARDS AND ORGANISATION ACT 2013 – BRYNFORD AND LIXWM AREA SCHOOL REVIEW

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: (a) Cabinet is requested to consider

the responses from the statutory consultation period for the Brynford and Lixwm Area School Review:

(b) Cabinet is requested to consider the evidence and analysis provided by officers within the reports; and

(c) Cabinet is requested to determine the next steps for school

organisational change for the area.

(a) That Cabinet withdraws the amalgamation proposal;

(b) That Cabinet requests an extension of time from Welsh Government as allowed under the School Organisational Code;

- (c) That the Council applies to Welsh Government for capital when the grant for the early years education fund is released to undertake the necessary improvements for Brynford;
- (d) That Cabinet invites the two schools to work with the Council on a federated two-site model; and
- (e) That the Council holds its powers to enforce a federation in reserve.

REASON FOR DECISION:

As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:

Consultation has taken place in accordance with the statutory School Organisation Code.

If the Cabinet decision is to proceed, the Council will publish a Statutory Notice providing a 28 day notice period for objections. If objections are received, the Council must publish an objection report providing a summary of the objections and their responses to them within 28 days of the end of the objection period.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

There is sufficient staff capacity to prepare the detailed transition plans for pupils.

Should the current proposals be implemented, it is envisaged there will be minimal staffing implication in the short term – aside from one Headteacher post which is currently being covered by a secondment from another local school.

In the medium term should the schools be amalgamated onto one site, the Council will support the new Governing Body to formally consult with affected staff and their trade union representatives to minimise any requirement for compulsory redundancies and develop a tailored support package as required.

In the short terms there is no change to transportation costs. However, in the longer term, should an area school be formed, the estimated annual costs of transport would be in the region of £52,250 (assuming 100% uptake in families applying for transport to the proposed new area school).

However, actual transport costs can only be assessed once all families have a school place confirmed at an alternative school. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

<u>DATE OF MEETING:</u> <u>19 JUNE 2018</u> <u>AGENDA ITEM NO. 7</u>

REPORT OF: Chief Officer (Education and Youth)

SUBJECT: HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT- POLICY REVIEW

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: (a) That Cabinet considers the options available around discretionary

transport provision; and

(b) That Cabinet approves a mandate for officers to consult on transport policy change in designated areas

as appropriate.

DECISION: (a) That Cabinet agree not to proceed

with a review of Welsh Medium transport entitlement policy or of Denominational transport

entitlement policy at this time;

(b) That Cabinet opens a review of Post-16 transport entitlement and

of Benefits entitlement policies;

and

(c) That Welsh Government be asked

to include nursery education within the review of the Welsh Learner

Travel Measure.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS CONTRACTOR CONTRACT

REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:

Consultation in respect of policy change will be carried out in accordance with the guidance as set out in the Learner Travel Measure (Wales).

Should consultation be agreed, feedback from consultation will be reported to Cabinet at a future date. Cabinet will be required to carefully consider the responses to consultation prior to

determination.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: This will be dependent on the scale of

consultation i.e determination to consult all or most areas of policy change as highlighted in the report. There would be a requirement to commission additional

temporary project support within Education and Youth to assist in this

programme of work.

<u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:</u> Councillor Shotton - personal.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 19 JUNE 2018 AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

REPORT OF: Chief Officer (Governance)

SUBJECT: CODE OF ETHICAL EMPLOYMENT IN SUPPLY

(a)

CHAINS

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:

That the Council adopts the Code in partnership with the recognised Trade Unions. Flintshire embraces the principles which underpin the Code as a socially and responsible and ethical public body; and

(b) That the Code be implemented as far as is practicable and affordable, with an action plan to be developed in partnership with the local recognised Trade Unions.

DECISION:

As detailed in the recommendations with the inclusion of:

(c) That the Cabinet Member for Corporate Management and Assets be the anti-slavery champion.

REASON FOR DECISION:

As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:

Consultation has taken place with Welsh Government, the Welsh Local Government Association and officials of the recognised Trade Unions locally.

The Council and the local Trade Unions agreed the following joint statement: "Flintshire County Council adopts the Code of Ethical Employment in Supply Chains in partnership with the recognised Trade Unions. Flintshire embraces the principles which underpin the code as a socially responsible and ethical public

body. The Code will be implemented, as far as is practicable and affordable, through a joint action plan with the local recognised Trade Union representatives. The Council is encouraging its public sector and third partners to similarly adopt the Code".

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: As detailed in the appendix to the report.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 19 JUNE 2018 AGENDA ITEM NO. 9

REPORT OF: Chief Officer (Planning, Environment and Economy)

SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO WELSH GOVERNMENT

CONSULTATION ON PROPOSALS TO

TEMPORARILY DIS-APPLY PARAGRAPH 6.2 OF

TECHNICAL ADVICE NOTE 1 (TAN1)

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That Cabinet approve the basis for a

response to go to Welsh Government as set out in the report and specifically in

paragraph 1.07.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS Present consultation and proposed

REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: response contained within the report.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: The Council's Service Manager Strategy

will lead on the preparation and submission of evidence to the TAN1

review.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 19 JUNE 2018 AGENDA ITEM NO. 10

REPORT OF: Chief Executive, Chief Officer (Strategic

Programmes)

SUBJECT: THEATR CLWYD CAPITAL PROJECT

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That based on the encouragement of the

Arts Council for Wales and the Welsh Government the Council agrees to proceed with the detailed design and development work for the Theatr Clwyd capital project and release of the funding allocated in the capital programme to

achieve this.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS Detailed consultations with Welsh

REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: Government and the Arts Council for

Wales as detailed in the report.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: The commitment and expenditure of the

£0.330m allocated in the capital

programme to progress detailed design

and development.

<u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:</u> Councillor Bithell - personal.

Councillor Butler - personal.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 19 JUNE 2018 **AGENDA ITEM NO. 11**

REPORT OF: Chief Executive

SUBJECT: 2017/18 PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: To agree the areas of corporate and

service under-performance against the Council Plan and the performance measures set for 2017, and to receive

outline action plans in July.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

The Member workshop on 29th May and CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:

Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 4th June gave Members the opportunity to consider which areas of performance needed

additional focus and continued attention.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: All measures have resources which need

to be taken into account and balanced

against priority and capacity.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 19 JUNE 2018 AGENDA ITEM NO. 12

REPORT OF: Chief Officer (Housing and Assets)

SUBJECT: COMMUNAL HEATING CHARGES 2018/19

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: To approve changes to the current

heating charges at Council properties with communal heating schemes as outlined in table 1, paragraph 1.07 of the report. All changes will take effect from 1st August

2018.

DECISION: As detailed in the appendix.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS No formal consultation required.

REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: As detailed in the report.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 19 JUNE 2018 AGENDA ITEM NO. 13

REPORT OF: Chief Officer (Strategic Programmes)

SUBJECT: FLINT FORESHORE REGENERATION

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: (a) To accept the findings of the

feasibility report on the regeneration of the Flint Foreshore and to progress to more detailed work including: detailed design and development; development of the capital funding package; and detailed business planning; and

(b) To accept the findings of Flint
Castle Art Research and
Development report and to
progress to development of a
major piece of public art sited at or

around Flint Castle.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS Detailed consultation with partners and

REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: the community as identified in the report.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: None at this stage.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 19 JUNE 2018 AGENDA ITEM NO. 14

REPORT OF: Chief Officer (Streetscene and Transportation)

SUBJECT: REPAIRING POTHOLES AND PREPARING THE

ANNUAL CARRIAGEWAY RESURFACING

PROGRAMME

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That Cabinet approves the programmes

of highway resurfacing works contained

within the report.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS With local Member on scheme

REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: commencement.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: Capital budgets for planned maintenance

activities - £600k. Additional Welsh Government funding support for

resurfacing works - £1.427m. 2018/19 financial pressure from addition temporary

repairs is approximately £60k.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 19 JUNE 2018 AGENDA ITEM NO. 15

REPORT OF: Chief Officer (Social Services)

SUBJECT: SOCIAL SERVICES ANNUAL REPORT

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: Cabinet is asked to review and consider

whether the draft report provides an accurate and clear account of Social Services for Children and Adults in

Flintshire.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS The views of Scrutiny Members were

REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: sought at a workshop where the proposed

content of the report was discussed. Members also gave feedback on the key developments over during 2017/18 which should be included together with priorities for 2018/19. This workshop took place on

29th March 2018.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: The priorities identified within the report

are aimed at delivering service

improvements, improving outcomes and meeting local needs within the context of

achieving challenging financial

efficiencies and value for money. The improvement priorities contained within the report have been identified for delivery

within existing resources.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 19 JUNE 2018 AGENDA ITEM NO. 16

REPORT OF: Chief Officer (Housing and Assets)

SUBJECT: HOUSING ASSET MANAGEMENT, CAPITAL

WORKS – JOINT PROCUREMENT WITH WREXHAM

COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL AND DENBIGHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL FOR

LICENSED ASBESTOS REMOVAL & REMEDIAL

WORKS.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: Cabinet approve the joint procurement of

Licensed Asbestos Removal Contractors, with Wrexham County Borough Council and Denbighshire County Council, to procure a Framework of contractors to carry out all asbestos related activities.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS As this item relates to property

REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: compliance, no consultation with tenants

is required.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: Officers from all three Councils will be

involved in the procurement process.

Annual budgets are set and approved by

Cabinet.

Spend on asbestos removal for Flintshire

County Council in 2017/18 was approximately £540,000. Projected spend for 2018/19 is £630,000 onwards. Over a four year contract (two year + optional two year) this contract value will

be estimated at £2.52m.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATION	<u>ONS</u>	None.	
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DATE OF MEETING: 19 JUNE 2018 **AGENDA ITEM NO. 17**

REPORT OF: Chief Officer (Housing and Assets)

APPROVAL OF COSTS FOR MAES GWERN, MOLD SUBJECT:

STRATEGIC HOUSING AND REGENERATION

(SHARP) SCHEME

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That Cabinet approve the (a)

> development of 48 new social, affordable rent and shared equity schemes at Maes Gwern, Mold:

Approve funding through (b)

Prudential Borrowing to the value of £0.431m (subject to final approval and verification) is used to fund the proposed development of the new Council homes: and

Approve the use of shared equity (c)

reserves of £0.270m for the affordable element of this scheme.

As detailed in the recommendations. **DECISION:**

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS Each of the schemes have been **REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** discussed in depth with planners,

highways officers and local elected

Members which have informed the current

proposal.

The proposed scheme was subject to a further community consultation on

Monday 13th February at the Daniel Owen Community Centre Association from 3pm

until 7pm. For the event Wates Residential provided 12 information

boards on the proposal. The consultation was attended by members of Wates

Residential and Halliday Clark Architects.

A register was taken with 37 names signed. Consultation comments (in English and Welsh) have been submitted along with the presentation and register as part of the planning application.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

Prudential borrowing of £0.431m required and use of £0.270m shared equity balances.

All schemes continue to be reviewed in order to achieve best value for the Council and NEW Homes. Detailed Financial Appraisals have been undertaken for both the Housing Revenue Account (appendix 2a) and Affordable Rent units (appendix 2b). A confidential appendix contained financial appraisals.

A table in the report provided a breakdown of the annual Council Tax Yield which the proposed scheme will generate for the Council.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

(a)

DATE OF MEETING: 19 JUNE 2018 AGENDA ITEM NO. 18

REPORT OF: Chief Officer (Governance)

SUBJECT: SHARED PROCUREMENT SERVICE

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:

- That subject to the changes being made as described below, Cabinet agrees to enter a further three year Service Level Agreement with Denbighshire County Council for the delivery of procurement services; and
- (b) That the following changes are made to the service delivery model:
 - There is a need to promote collaborative procurement where it is appropriate and where it will deliver savings;
 - Business partners, senior management teams and chief officers need to actively engage with each other in order to flag up forthcoming projects and big contracts to plan the procurement route and consider collaboration;
 - Encourage the delivery of community benefits;
 - Clear and hard targets for the efficiencies to be achieved through the procurement process must be set;
 - The systems and paperwork are seen to be onerous and need to be reviewed to ensure that they are appropriate for internal purposes and do not

- become an unnecessary barrier to small firms bidding:
- There needs to be a review of experience following the procurement of major contracts;
- Chief officers need to be more involved in agreeing where to strike the balance between potential benefits and procurement process risks; and
- There is a need for performance reporting to Cabinet and Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS The report has been considered by **REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** Corporate Resources Overview and

Scrutiny Committee and its views will be

reported to Cabinet. The Audit Committee has also considered a summary of the audit findings and its views will likewise be reported to Cabinet.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: The service is currently spending slightly

higher than was originally anticipated as a result of staffing changes which resulted in protected salary payments. The

service does however have the resources it requires to provide the service set out in

the Service Level Agreement.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 19 JUNE 2018 AGENDA ITEM NO. 19

REPORT OF: Chief Officer (Governance)

SUBJECT: PROCUREMENT OF A NEW AGENCY CONTRACT

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: (a) That the recommended supplier be

appointed as the supplier of temporary agency staff using the

identified framework; and

(b) That the Chief Officer

(Governance) is given delegated authority to finalise and enter into an appropriate form of contract

with the supplier.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:

<u>CONSULTATIONS</u> This has previously been considered by

Cabinet and Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: The agency contract is one tool to help

ensure that the Council has the correct skills and capacity to deliver public services. The use of agency employees enables the Council to take on specialist skills for finite periods of time, cover sickness absence and increase the workforce to meet temporary peaks in

demand.

Budgets for the use of agency staff within the Council are minimal as they are paid for out of staff vacancies where it has been decided that a post must be covered and cannot be left vacant. Spend controls are therefore operated through normal budget monitoring and are backed up by the detailed usage reports provided by the

agency company.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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