

FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: **19 NOVEMBER 2019** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 4**

REPORT OF: **Chief Executive**

SUBJECT: **COUNCIL PLAN 2019/20 – MID YEAR MONITORING REPORT**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:

(1) To note and endorse:

- The overall levels of progress and confidence in the achievement of activities within the Council Plan;
- The overall performance against Council Plan performance indicators;
- The current risk levels within the Council Plan

(2) To be assured by plans and actions to manage the delivery of the 2019/20 Council Plan.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:

The Council Plan Priorities are monitored by the respective Overview and Scrutiny Committees according to the priority area of interest.

Chief Officers have contributed towards reporting of relevant information.


RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: There are no specific resource implications for the report.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: **19 NOVEMBER 2019** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 5**

REPORT OF: **Chief Executive**

SUBJECT: **CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2020/21 – 2022/23**

- RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:**
- (1) To approve the allocations and schemes in Table 3 for the Statutory/Regulatory and Retained Assets sections of the Council Fund Capital Programme 2020/21 – 2022/23;
 - (2) To approve the schemes included in Table 4 for the Investment section of the Council Fund Capital Programme 2020/21 – 2022/23;
 - (3) To note that the shortfall in funding of schemes in 2020/21 and 2021/22 in Table 5 at this point in the approved process allows flexibility. Options including a combination of future capital receipts, alternative grants (if available), prudential borrowing or the re-phasing of schemes will be considered during 2020/21, and included in future Capital Programme reports; and
 - (4) To consider and approve the schemes included in Table 6 for the specifically funded section of the Council Fund Capital Programme which will be funded in part through borrowing.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** The proposed Capital Programme will be referred to the Corporate Resources

Overview and Scrutiny Committee for comment at its meeting on 14th November 2019 with their comments being fed back to Cabinet verbally before being discussed at County Council in December 2019.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

Financial consequences for capital resources are as set out within the report.

As previously stated there are revenue consequences of borrowing in interest costs and revenue provision for debt repayment which will bear on the MTFS as new pressures.

Assuming the shortfall is as estimated (£2.186m), and that the asset life of schemes is 50 years the pressures on the revenue budget are showing in the table in the report. The pressures for school building works have been built into the current MTFS. Pressures for the shortfall in Council Funding and the Joint Archive Facility will be built into future MTFS calculations as necessary.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None.

DISPENSATIONS

None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **19 NOVEMBER 2019** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 6**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Housing and Assets)**

SUBJECT: **HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT (HRA) CAPITAL
PROGRAMME 2020/21**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:

(1) Approve and recommend to Council the Housing Revenue Account Capital Programme for 2020/21. This may be subject to change dependent on the outcome of the rent policy which will become available in December 2019; and

(2) Approve the Housing Revenue Account Capital Programme for 2020/21 as set out in the appendix to the report.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** Detailed consultation has been undertaken with tenants and elected Members to inform the preparation of the WHQS investment programme.

Full local consultation is carried out for each new build scheme.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: The Housing Revenue Account is a ring fenced budget. This HRA budget and Business Plan demonstrates that the Council can achieve the WHQS by 2020, can meet service improvement plans and commitments and with prudential borrowing can continue its Council house building programme in 2020.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

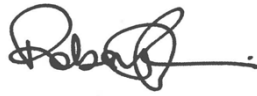
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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: **19 NOVEMBER 2019** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 7**

REPORT OF: **Corporate Finance Manager**

SUBJECT: **CAPITAL STRATEGY INCLUDING PRUDENTIAL
INDICATORS 2020/21 – 2022/23**

- RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:**
- (1) Cabinet approves and recommends the Capital Strategy to County Council; and
 - (2) Cabinet approve and recommends to Council:
 - The Prudential Indicators for 2020/21 – 2022/23 as detailed within Tables 1, and 4-7 inclusive of the Capital Strategy
 - Delegated authority for the Corporate Finance Manager to effect movements between the separately agreed limits within the authorised limit for external debt and the operational boundary for external debt.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:**

The Capital Strategy and the proposed Capital Programme will be referred to the Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee for comment at its meeting on 14th November 2019 with their comments being fed back to Cabinet verbally before being discussed at County Council in December 2019.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

Financial consequences for capital resources are as set out within the report and appendix.

Financial consequences for revenue resources are as set out within the report and appendix.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None.

DISPENSATIONS

None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: **19 NOVEMBER 2019** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 8**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Housing and Assets)**

SUBJECT: **CAPITAL STRATEGY AND ASSET MANAGEMENT
PLAN 2020 - 2026**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: To approve the Asset Management Plan 2020-2026 so that it can be adopted as the principal document for managing the Council's corporate property and land resource assets.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** Assets Programme Board and the Chief Officer Team both supported the proposals and principles.

The AMP and covering report was shared with Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 14th November 2019 for comment, observations and general support.

Any feedback or observations from CROSC will be reported to Cabinet.


RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: Implications for assets and financial implications as set out within the report. Other resource implications include officer time in delivering the Strategy and associated capital programme which is not considered to be a significant change.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **19 NOVEMBER 2019** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 9**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Education and Youth), Chief Officer (Housing and Assets)**

SUBJECT: **21ST CENTURY SCHOOLS CAPITAL PROGRAMME**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: To consider the contents of the report and approve the following:

- The revised financial Band B programme and submission to Welsh Government to formally request a monetary variation to the SOP
- Extending the review of secondary education provision in Saltney to include Broughton
- Give consideration to amending the number of MIM projects within the programme and provide a mandate to officers for further dialogue with Welsh Government

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: Reports on the SOP for 21st Century Schools have previously been to Education and Youth Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Cabinet.

Where a project or area requires school organisational change, consultation will be carried out in accordance with the School Organisation code.

Consultation will be required through the planning application process at the appropriate stage of the development.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: As detailed in the report.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None.


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DATE OF MEETING: **19 NOVEMBER 2019** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 10**

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

SUBJECT: **CEMETERY PROVISION AND STRATEGY**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:

- (1) That Cabinet approves the purchase of the identified land to extend Hope and Hawarden Cemeteries; and
- (2) That Cabinet approves the investigations into future burial provisions at other Cemeteries in the County, which should commence 4 years prior to the anticipated point when the existing capacity will be reached.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** Natural Resources Wales – Groundwater risk assessments at individual sites.

Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee considered the matter at their meeting in October 2019. The Committee recommended Cabinet approve the recommendations contained within this report.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: Capital funding would be required to purchase land and develop new burial sites.

There are no staff resource implications associated with this project.

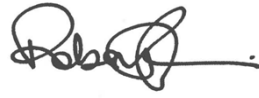
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DISPENSATIONS None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **19 NOVEMBER 2019** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 11**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Education and Youth)**

SUBJECT: **DENBIGHSHIRE AND FLINTSHIRE JOINT ARCHIVE PROJECT**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: (1) Cabinet to approve the proposal to:

- Create a single shared and sustainable Archive Service with Denbighshire County Council
- Deliver a 'state of the art' Archive building, co-located with Theatr Clwyd, with an extensive digital archive network across both counties and an innovative public engagement and support programme

(2) That Cabinet commits to allocate £3,027,782 of Council funds, £2,979,782 in National Lottery Heritage Fund match funding and £48,000 in project management funding, to deliver the Denbighshire and Flintshire Joint Archive Project.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: Formal reports have been presented to the following groups:

- Informal Cabinet – November 2018
- Capital and Assets Programme Board – July 2019
- Special COT – September 2019
- COT Business – October 2019

Specific engagement meetings have been

had with the following internal stakeholders within Flintshire:

- Lead Members and ward Members
- Chief Executive, Chief Officer Team, Flintshire Record Office, Legal Services, Financial Services, Biodiversity Officer, Carbon Officer, Health and Safety Officer, Strategic Assets

Externally the following have been engaged with:

- Denbighshire County Council
- Wrexham County Borough Council
- Theatr Clwyd
- The National Archive
- The National Lottery Heritage Fund

Further consultation is required with Theatr Clwyd and Cadw in particular. Along with FCC Housing and Assets with regard to the County Hall Campus master plan and FCC planning officers.

Consultation and engagement with our key funder NLHF, archive users and traditionally non users and activity plan delivery partners will be ongoing. So far the public have been engaged as follows:

- Stand and questionnaire at the Flint and Denbigh Show
- Public briefing and online questionnaire launched via social media

Consultation with elected Members, especially Cabinet and Hawarden ward Members, will be ongoing.

Consultation with local stakeholders and key partners will also be undertaken e.g. local history groups, Gladstone Library, Aura Libraries and Leisure.

A report on the project was supported by Education and Youth Committee on 7th November and Cabinet on 19th November.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

As outlined in the report.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None.


DISPENSATIONS

None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **19 NOVEMBER 2019** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 12**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Social Services)**

SUBJECT: **ADAPTATIONS TO FOSTER CARERS HOMES**
POLICY

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: To review and support the Adaptions to Foster Carers Homes Policy.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: A range of internal and external colleagues and stakeholders have been consulted and contributed to the development of this final Policy, these include:

- Flintshire County Council, colleagues in:
 - Housing
 - Legal
 - Regeneration
 - Finance
 - Social Services, including Social Services Management Team
 - Chief Officers
- Externally
 - North Wales Policy Developers Group
 - Sample of Foster Carers

In addition to the above, good practice examples of similar policies in other local authority areas have informed the development of this policy, such as Cheshire West, Leeds and Nottingham.

The Policy is introduced and complements other adaptation policies within the Council, such as the Disability Facilities Grant.

The core offer contained within both the DFG and Foster Carers Adaptations Policies are aligned to ensure the Council is consistent in its approach to adaptations of private properties, these include a clear criteria, maximum grant amount, repayment terms, the primary clawback triggers and methods of safeguarding public funding.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

As detailed in the report.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **19 NOVEMBER 2019** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 13**

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

SUBJECT: **REGIONAL TECHNICAL STATEMENT FOR**
AGGREGATES SECOND REVIEW CONSULTATION

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:

(1) To endorse the Second Review Regional Technical Statement; and

(2) To accept the recommendations set out in the RTS for the strategic provisions required for planning for the supply of construction aggregates.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: Distribution to key stakeholders, and a dissemination event to be held in Llandudno Junction on 15th November 2019. The Council is a key consultee to the process.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

There are no implications for the approved revenue budget for this service for either the current financial year or for future financial years.

There are no implications for the approved capital programme for either the current financial year or for future financial years.

There are no implications for additional capacity or for any change to current workforce structures or roles.

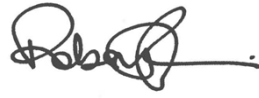
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DATE OF MEETING: **19 NOVEMBER 2019** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 14**

REPORT OF: **Corporate Finance Manager**

SUBJECT: **REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2019/20 (MONTH 6)**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:

(1) To note the overall report and the projected Council Fund contingency sum as at 31st March 2020; and

(2) To note the projected final level of balances on the Housing Revenue Account.

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 NOVEMBER 2019** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 15**

REPORT OF: **Corporate Finance Manager**

SUBJECT: **CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING 2019/20**
(MONTH 6)

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:

- (1) To approve the overall report;
- (2) To approve the carry forward adjustments set out in the report;
- (3) To approve the funding of schemes from the current 'headroom' and IT savings identified; and
- (4) To approve the use of the Economic Stimulus funding as set out in the report.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: No consultation is required as a direct result of the report.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: As set out in the report.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **19 NOVEMBER 2019** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 16**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Governance)**

SUBJECT: **COUNCIL TAX BASE FOR 2020/21**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:

- (1) Approve the Tax Base of 64,554 band D equivalent properties for tax-setting purposes for the financial year 2020/21;
- (2) Continue to set a 'nil' discount for properties falling within any of the Prescribed Classes (A, B or C) and for this to apply to the whole of the County area; and
- (3) Continue to set a 50% Premium for long term empty property and second homes falling into the Council Tax Premium scheme.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

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

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: Setting the Tax Base is part of an annual process of determining Council Tax charges for the next financial year as part of the Councils overall 2020/21 budget preparations.

The Tax Base is also used by the Police and Crime Commissioner and Town/Community Council's to set their Council Tax precepts for 2020/21, which will be included in the bills sent to every Council Tax payer in March 2020.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

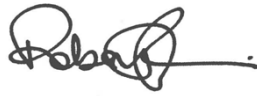
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DATE OF MEETING: **19 NOVEMBER 2019** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 18**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Social Services)**

SUBJECT: **REGIONAL LEARNING DISABILITY PROGRAMME:
REPORT ON PROGRESS**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: The direction of the Learning Disability Programme is supported by Cabinet.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** Strategy consultation undertaken prior to development of strategy. This programme of work is co-produced with individual with a Learning Disability. IPC will evaluate and provide an outcome report.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: There is no budget for FCC. The programme is funded in total by Welsh Government, equally for 1.09 when over 2.5 years.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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