FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 18 DECEMBER 2012 AGENDA ITEM NO. 11

REPORT OF: Head of Finance, Chief Executive

SUBJECT: COUNCIL FUND REVENUE BUDGET 2013/14

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: Members are asked to endorse the

council fund revenue budget proposals which are in progress, and will be subject to consideration by Overview and Scrutiny

in January.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATION REQUIRED: As set out in the report.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN: As set out in the report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: As set out in the report.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 18 DECEMBER 2012 AGENDA ITEM NO. 9

REPORT OF: Head of Finance

SUBJECT: CAPITAL STRATEGY AND CAPITAL PROGRAMME

2013/14 TO 2022/23

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: Members are recommended to:

(a) Note the work which has been undertaken (and continues) to develop a Council Fund Capital Strategy and 10 year Capital

Programme.

 (b) Approve the allocation of funding to the core Capital Programme in 2013/14 as shown in Appendix 2 (and note the indicative allocations for future years), subject to input by

Overview & Scrutiny.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATION REQUIRED: All Members and Overview & Scrutiny.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN: An initial Workshop on Capital was held

on 22nd November 2012 for all Members. A public consultation survey is due to open between 21st December 2012 and

20th January 2013.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: As set out in the report.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

<u>DATE OF MEETING:</u> <u>18 DECEMBER 2012</u> <u>AGENDA ITEM NO. 4</u>

REPORT OF: Director of Lifelong Learning

SUBJECT: SELF-EVALUATION OF LOCAL AUTHORITY

EDUCATION SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND

YOUNG PEOPLE 2012

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: (a) That Members contribute their

evaluative ideas and evidence in relation to the 2012 draft self-

evaluation.

(b) That the Chief Executive and

Director of Lifelong Learning be authorised, via consultation with the Cabinet Member for Education,

to finalise and submit the self

evaluation document.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATION REQUIRED: Consultation arrangements are in place

for stakeholder involvement in the self-

evaluation

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN: See above.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: Currently there are no financial

implications for Flintshire County Council.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 DATE OF MEETING: **18 DECEMBER 2012**

Director of Environment REPORT OF:

SUBJECT: REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S WASTE COLLECTION

SERVICE

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That Cabinet note the report and the

> progress made within the service since the service review in March 2012.

That Cabinet approve that the current arrangements at the Council's HRC sites remain at the current level, subject to a further report, once the impact of opening the proposed new Sandycroft HRC site and the information from the WG research

project can be assessed.

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

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

None. **CONSULTATION REQUIRED:**

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN: From Members (through the Deputy

Leader and Cabinet Member for

Environment).

Residents (through surveys).

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: The Managed Weekly Collections service

> is anticipated to deliver a further £245k of efficiencies in 2012/13. This is in addition

to the £200k that was estimated for

2011/12.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

None. **DISPENSATIONS**

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

<u>DATE OF MEETING:</u> <u>18 DECEMBER 2012</u> <u>AGENDA ITEM NO. 6</u>

REPORT OF: Director of Environment

SUBJECT: STREETSCENE REVIEW

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That Cabinet approves the contents of the

Action Plans for the service.

That Cabinet approves the Councils

Grass Cutting Policy.

That Cabinet approves the Streetscene

Standards.

That a further report on the progress of the service is presented to Cabinet during

2013-14.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATION REQUIRED: None as a direct result of this report.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN: None as a direct result of this report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: The Council's savings target for

Streetscene in the 2011-12 financial year was £0.250m and £0.500m per annum

thereafter.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

<u>DATE OF MEETING:</u> <u>18 DECEMBER 2012</u> <u>AGENDA ITEM NO. 7</u>

REPORT OF: Director of Environment

SUBJECT: REVIEW OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That Cabinet approves the future delivery

option for each of the Public Convenience

facilities as shown in Appendix 1.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATION REQUIRED: With Town and Community Councils

regarding taking over maintenance and of

the sites proposed for closure.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN: With Cabinet Member.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: The budgets and the true costs for the

service delivery are shown on Appendix

2.

The proposals will deliver the proposed £50k savings for the service identified in

the 2013-14 budget proposals.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Councillor R.C. Bithell declared a

Personal and Prejudicial interest in this

item.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 18 DECEMBER 2012 AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

REPORT OF: Director of Community Services

SUBJECT: FLYING START STRATEGIC PLAN 2013 - 2015

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That Cabinet adopt the proposals for the

expansion of the Flying Start Programme

in Flintshire.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATION REQUIRED: There is no specific requirement to

undertake consultation.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN: The draft Flying Start Plan has been

developed in consultation with key

stakeholders:

Flying Start Team

Staff from BCUHB

Childcare providers

Language and Play staff

 Families in the proposed expansion areas will also be engaged in the development of the Flying Start provision in their area.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: There are no immediate financial

implications for Flintshire County Council as the Flying Start Programme is funded by a Welsh Government Specific Grant. The grant is administered by the Local Authority as the accountable body.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 18 DECEMBER 2012 AGENDA ITEM NO. 10

REPORT OF: Chief Executive

SUBJECT: QUARTER 2 PERFORMANCE REPORT

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:

That Cabinet consider the following and recommend any specific issues which may require management action and / or referral to the appropriate Overview and Scrutiny Committee for consideration:-

- 2012/13 Quarter 2 performance reports
- Improvement Plan mid year position
- SARC mid year position

To note the following within the performance reports:-

- the level of confidence that the outcome of the Council's Improvement Priorities will be achieved and the progress being made towards them;
- the update of the Strategic Assessment of Risks and Challenges (SARC) contained within the performance reports;
- the progress being made against the Improvement Target Action Plans contained within the performance reports;
- the progress made against the service plan; and
- the assessment of any regulatory reports in relation to the work of the service.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATION REQUIRED: Overview & Scrutiny committees receive

their relevant quarterly reports as part of

their regular considerations.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN: All Directorates have been consulted with

regarding the reporting of relevant

information.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

All financial implications are identified

within the individual performance reports.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

<u>DATE OF MEETING:</u> <u>18 DECEMBER 2012</u> <u>AGENDA ITEM NO. 12</u>

REPORT OF: Head of Finance

SUBJECT: REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2012/13 (MONTH

6)

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: Members are recommended to:-

(a) Note the overall report and the management actions being taken to address the projected overspend.

(b) Note the Council Fund contingency sum (overdrawn balance) as at 31st March 2013 (paragraph 5.02).

(c) Note the projected final level of balances on the Housing Revenue Account (paragraph 6.03).

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATION REQUIRED: None.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN: None.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: The financial implications are as set out in

Sections 3.00 - 6.00 of the report.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 18 DECEMBER 2012 AGENDA ITEM NO. 13

REPORT OF: Head of Finance

SUBJECT: CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2012/13 (MONTH 6)

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: Cabinet is requested to note and approve

the report.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATION REQUIRED: None.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN: None.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: As set out in sections 2 and 3 of the

report.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 18 DECEMBER 2012 AGENDA ITEM NO. 14

REPORT OF: Head of Finance

SUBJECT: CORPORATE DEBT POLICY

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That Cabinet approves the Corporate

Debt Policy as set out in the Appendix.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATION REQUIRED: None.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN: Officers have sought to introduce best

practice into the Policy, especially in the collection of Sundry Debt by implementing many of the findings of a recent LEAN

review.

Several consultation sessions have been undertaken across the Council via the Team Talk forum, Corporate Finance Managers Group and other officers involved in the administration of Sundry Debt. Corporate Management Team has also endorsed the introduction of the

Policy.

The introduction of this policy was referred to Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee who endorsed its introduction at a meeting

held in November 2012.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: Taking a more pro-active approach to the

collection of Sundry Debt will ensure that income is maximised and bad debt is

minimised.

Although write off provision of bad debt is already covered within the Financial

Procedure Rules, in the interests of transparency, protocols to support the write off of bad debt have been included in the Policy to ensure that when debts are deemed to be irrecoverable, bad debts are written off promptly so that resources are concentrated where they can be most productive.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 18 DECEMBER 2012 AGENDA ITEM NO. 15

REPORT OF: Director of Environment

SUBJECT: TOWNS CAPITAL INVESTMENT

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That the capital investment programmes

benefiting towns in Flintshire are noted.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATION REQUIRED: Consultation with stakeholders is

undertaken in each town for each project undertaken. The ongoing consultation with partnerships also helps to maintain

good communication between

stakeholders.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN: Considerable consultation has been

undertaken in each town throughout the

process so far, with two rounds of workshops held in most towns and more detailed consultation on the various masterplans as they have been

developed.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: No new implications arising from this

report; each programme is already built into Council budgets where required.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 18 DECEMBER 2012 AGENDA ITEM NO. 16

Director of Environment REPORT OF:

SUBJECT: WELSH GOVERNMENT HIGHWAY PRUDENTIAL

BORROWING INITIATIVE

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That Cabinet approve the outline bid for

> the second and third year of funding from Welsh Government under the Prudential

Borrowing initiative as set out in paragraph 3.02 of the report.

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

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATION REQUIRED: Advanced notice of individual schemes

will be provided to the relevant Member.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN: With Cabinet Member.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: All of the Welsh Government funding

must be in addition to any allocated

Council maintenance Highway

Maintenance budgets.

In order to gain the maximum benefit from

the Welsh Government initiative it is essential that funding is collectively treated with the Council's Capital

Programme for the next two years. This will provide the most impact in delivering Highways infrastructure improvements.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

None. **DISPENSATIONS**

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 18 DECEMBER 2012 AGENDA ITEM NO. 17

REPORT OF: Director of Environment

SUBJECT: CIVIL PARKING ENFORCEMENT

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That Members:-

- (a) Approve the list of Contravention Codes and Policies on Residents Permits and Disabled Parking Bays shown in Appendices 'A', 'B' and 'C'.
- (b) Approve the 'Off Street' Parking Policy shown in Appendix D, subject to the views expressed during the Scrutiny process in January, 2013 and a review of all car parks listed against the criteria set out in paragraph 10 of Appendix D, with consideration of any temporary exemptions for special reasons.
- (c) Approve the Summary Business
 Case shown in Appendix 'E' for
 submission to WG, as a formal
 request for CPE powers to be
 conferred upon Flintshire County
 Council.
- (d) Approve the use of Wales Penalty Processing Partnership (WPPP) to process all Parking Contravention Notices (PCNs).
- (e) To grant delegated authority to the Director of Environment, following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment, to finalise all detailed aspects of the process, including the matters

listed in paragraph 3.09.

- (f) Approve the Cabinet Member for Environment, or their nominated substitute, as the Council's representative on the Adjudication Joint Committee outlined in paragraph 3.04.
- (g) That a further report be brought to Cabinet on Appendix D, to finalise the proposals.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATION REQUIRED: Key stakeholders and Members is an

ongoing activity.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN: Initial report into Executive March 2010.

Update report to Environment Scrutiny

Committee, 17 November 2010.

Meetings with staff and other key

stakeholders, such as Town & Community

Councils.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: Civil Parking Enforcement has specific

resources of £186k allocated to the project, which will require approval for

carry forward into 2013/14.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

<u>DATE OF MEETING:</u> <u>18 DECEMBER 2012</u> <u>AGENDA ITEM NO. 18</u>

REPORT OF: Director of Lifelong Learning

SUBJECT: WELSH PUBLIC LIBRARY STANDARDS

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: Cabinet is requested to consider the

Welsh Public Library Standards Report for 2011-12, and note the response of the

Welsh Government.

Cabinet is requested to endorse the action outlined in 5.01 to enable the Council to improve its performance

against the Standards.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATION REQUIRED: WPLPI 2 requires the Council to measure

community and user satisfaction with the service at least once during the three year

framework.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN: Surveys are planned for 2013.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: The financial implications of complying

with the Standards continue to be assessed and will be reported to Cabinet

through the budget setting process.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

<u>DATE OF MEETING:</u> 18 DECEMBER 2012 <u>AGENDA ITEM NO. 19</u>

REPORT OF: Director of Lifelong Learning

SUBJECT: INCLUSION SERVICE REVIEW PROGRAMME

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: To note progress in relation to the

Inclusion Service review programme.

To commission development of a project initiation document for the next phase of the programme, to be considered in

January 2013.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATION REQUIRED: Stakeholders have been identified and a

consultation / communication plan is to be

developed to ensure all required

consultation takes place.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN: Consultation has taken place with regard

to aspects of the regional work.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: The review has several financial

implications. The redesign has to ensure that the Local Authority can deliver its statutory responsibilities within budget and does not result in additional financial

pressures. Delegation has to be considered carefully and implemented where it can have a positive impact on pupils with Additional Learning Needs. Redundancy is a possible cost associated

with the review along with site development costs for specialist

provision.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

<u>DATE OF MEETING:</u> 18 DECEMBER 2012 <u>AGENDA ITEM NO. 20</u>

REPORT OF: Director of Lifelong Learning

SUBJECT: PROPOSED AMALGAMATION OF PENYFFORDD

INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOLS

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That Members consider the report and

approve the process of consultations to be undertaken by officers early in the New

Year.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATION REQUIRED: Initial consultations are required in

accordance with statutory requirements.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN: None at the schools.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: There are no financial implications that

will arise from the process of

consultations.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 18 DECEMBER 2012 AGENDA ITEM NO. 21

REPORT OF: Director of Lifelong Learning

SUBJECT: UPDATE ON YSGOL RHES Y CAE

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That Members receive this update and

await the decision made by Welsh Ministers with regard to the proposal.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATION REQUIRED: None in relation to this information report.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN: In accordance with the requirements of

the Welsh Government regulations.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: None as a result of this information report.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 18 DECEMBER 2012

REPORT OF:

SUBJECT: LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO

INFORMATION) ACT 1985 - THE CONSIDER THE

EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That the press and public be excluded for

the remainder of the meeting by virtue of paragraph 15 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as

amended).

DECISION: That the press and public be excluded

from the remainder of the meeting.

REASON FOR DECISION: It is not in the public interest for the report

be considered in public.

CONSULTATION REQUIRED: None.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN: None.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: None.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 18 DECEMBER 2012 AGENDA ITEM NO. 23

REPORT OF: Director of Community Services

SUBJECT: RESTRUCTURE OF HOUSING SERVICE SENIOR

MANAGEMENT TEAM

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: Cabinet is asked to consider and agree

the proposed restructure of the Housing Services Senior Management Team.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATION REQUIRED: Consultation with Trade Unions and

affected staff will take place.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN: The Directorate Management Team has

been fully consulted and the Cabinet Member for Housing, all of whom support

the proposals.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: The net financial impact of the proposed

restructure will be a saving of £53k per annum for the Council fund and £53k per annum for the HRA. There will be a cost to achieving the Council fund saving but this can be met from the Council fund 2012/13 Housing budget. Further proposals will be brought forward for consideration early in 2013 to achieve a further £50k per annum saving in Council

Fund Housing budgets.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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