

**FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

**CABINET RECORD OF DECISION**

**DATE OF MEETING:**            **17 NOVEMBER 2015**            **AGENDA ITEM NO. 4**

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

**SUBJECT:**                        **APPROVAL TO APPLY TO WELSH GOVERNMENT  
FOR SUSPENSION OF THE RIGHT TO BUY IN  
FLINTSHIRE**

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:**      Cabinet to approve consultation with internal / external stakeholders with a view to making an application to Welsh Government to suspend the Right to Buy in Flintshire.

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

**REASON FOR DECISION:**              As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS  
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:**              A key element of the application to suspend Right to Buy is evidence of recorded and structured consultation with both internal and external stakeholders listed below:

- Existing Council and Housing Federation Tenants
- Flintshire Tenants Federation
- County Council Cabinet
- Community and Enterprise Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- Chief Officer Team
- Local Housing Association
- Housing Advisory Panel
- Housing Maintenance Team
- General Public

**RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:**              A project team will be established with representatives from Housing, Legal, Finance and Policy and Performance teams to oversee and co-ordinate the delivery of the application and consultation process.

A Project Plan, Communications Plan and

Risk Register will be developed and regularly updated during the course of the application and consultation exercise.

The main resource implication for the process will be the consultation with the tenants. The costs are likely to be c. £25k.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

None.

**DISPENSATIONS**

None.

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**DATE OF MEETING:**            **17 NOVEMBER 2015**            **AGENDA ITEM NO. 5**

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

**SUBJECT:**                        **AGEING WELL IN FLINTSHIRE**

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:**    To support and agree to the content of the Ageing Well in Flintshire Plan prior to submission to the Older People's Commissioner for Wales.

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

**REASON FOR DECISION:**            As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS  
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:**            The plan has been developed with input from key stakeholders within the local authority and in partner organisations. The 50+ Action Group has been invited to comment both on the actions identified and the plan's presentation.

As actions are taken forward and further work identified, consultations with relevant groups will be carried out as appropriate. For example, as part of the development of Age-Friendly communities, a process of consultation with older people and other age groups will be required in order to identify, plan, implement and evaluate the changes that are required to work towards becoming Age-Friendly.

**RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:**            No direct financial implications result from the development of this plan. Actions primarily focus on strengthening partnerships, making best use of existing resources and sharing good practice.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**            None.

**DISPENSATIONS**                        None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 17 NOVEMBER 2015 AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

REPORT OF: Chief Executive

SUBJECT: TRADES UNION BILL

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: To agree a Council position on the Bill.

DECISION: That delegated authority be given to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Leader to write to relevant Ministers, especially those in the House of Lords, based on comments at the meeting and at the Welsh Local Government Association (WLGA), expressing support for the Trades Union movement and seeking the dismissal of the bill.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS As outlined within the report.

REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: None directly associated with this report.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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**DATE OF MEETING:**            **17 NOVEMBER 2015**            **AGENDA ITEM NO. 7**

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

**SUBJECT:**                        **JOHN SUMMERS HIGH SCHOOL - OPTIONS FOR  
HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT**

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:**

- (1) That Cabinet considers each of the four options on transport provision; and
- (2) That Cabinet agrees to support Option C, to apply discretionary transport arrangements for the full current pupil cohort to the partnering school from the student's home area.

**DECISION:**                        As detailed in the recommendations and including the following resolution:

- (3) That consultation takes place on the most effective manner in which to implement Option C.

**REASON FOR DECISION:**            As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS  
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:**            No specific consultation is required at this stage. However, once Cabinet has agreed which transport option is appropriate, parents and pupils will be made fully aware of their transport entitlement in order that they may make informed decisions in the event that the school closes.

**RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:**            The estimated cost of transport options have been included in the report based on preliminary enquiries with transport operators. Actual transport costs can only be assessed accurately once all families have chosen their preferred school and numbers of pupils and routes are

determined.

There is no specific budget allocated for the increased transport costs arising from either the closure of the 6<sup>th</sup> Form at John Summers High School or the consequences of closure of the school itself.

There is sufficient staff capacity in the Integrated Transport Unit to determine eligibility and arrange transport provision.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

Councillor Christine Jones.

**DISPENSATIONS**

None.

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both administration and compliance checking of these new Regulations will be greater than under the current regime, the proposed licence fee will as such reflect appropriately any additional anticipated and actual costs, and will therefore enable this function to be fully cost neutral.

It is proposed that Members delegate the decision of the adoption of the fee level to the Chief Officer (Planning and Environment) with approval by the Cabinet Member for Public Protection, Leisure Services and Waste Strategy.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** None.

**DISPENSATIONS** None.

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**DATE OF MEETING:**            **17 NOVEMBER 2015**            **AGENDA ITEM NO. 9**

**REPORT OF:**                    **Corporate Finance Manager**

**SUBJECT:**                        **REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2015/16 (MONTH 5)**

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:**

(1) Note the overall report and the projected Council Fund contingency sum as at 31 March 2016; and

(2) 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 Budget Monitoring Report reflects the planned use of the financial resources of the Council for the current financial year and details the variations occurring to date.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**        None.

**DISPENSATIONS**                        None.

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**DATE OF MEETING:**            **17 NOVEMBER 2015**            **AGENDA ITEM NO. 10**

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

**SUBJECT:**                        **COUNCIL TAX BASE FOR 2016-17**

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:**

- (1) Approve the Tax Base of 62,759 band D equivalent properties (as shown in appendix 1) for the financial year 2016-17; and
- (2) Continue to set a 'nil' level of 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.

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

**REASON FOR DECISION:**            As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS**                        None.

**REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:**  
**RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:**            Setting of the Council Tax Base is part of an annual process of determining Council Tax charges for the next financial year as part of the Council's overall 2016-17 budget preparations.

The Council Tax Base is also used by the Police and Crime Commissioner and Town/Community Councils to set their Council Tax precepts for 2016-17, which will be included in the bills sent to every Council Tax payer in March 2016.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**            None.

**DISPENSATIONS**                        None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 17 NOVEMBER 2015 AGENDA ITEM NO. 12

REPORT OF: Chief Officer (Social Services)

SUBJECT: CHILDREN'S SERVICES SENIOR MANAGER  
RESTRUCTURE

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: Cabinet endorse the new Children's Services Senior Management Structure.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS  
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: Consultation with the Leader, Cabinet Member, Chief Executive and Senior Members of the Social Services Management Team have been carried out.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: There are no financial implications from this restructure. The MTFs of the Council assumes an expectation that, on a wider level, Children's Services makes a contribution toward efficiency of £100k, for 2016/17. There will be elements of senior officer time necessary to take forward this restructure.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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