FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 20 SEPTEMBER 2016 AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

REPORT OF: Chief Executive

SUBJECT: COUNCIL FUND REVENUE BUDGET 2017/18

STAGE ONE

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: (1) Cabinet formally recommends the

service portfolio efficiency proposals listed in the appendices for adoption by Council as stage one of setting the Council Fund Revenue Budget for 2017/18; and

Revenue Budget for 2017/18; and

(2) Cabinet notes the ongoing work on reviewing corporate financing

options, and the national activity around the funding formula and

Local Government Settement.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:

CONSULTATIONS Consultation with Group Leaders,

Overview and Scrutiny Committees and external partners have been held to date in the development of the business plans, budget proposals and resilience

assessments.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: The financial resource implications are

significant. The Medium Term Financial Strategy will continue to carry many risks. Careful risk assessment in planning and decision-making will continue to be a central feature of review and debate.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

20 SEPTEMBER 2016 DATE OF MEETING: AGENDA ITEM NO. 5

REPORT OF: Chief Executive, Chief Officer (Community and

Enterprise)

SUBJECT: A GROWTH VISION AND STRATEGY FOR THE

ECONOMY OF NORTH WALES

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: To approve the "Growth Vision for (1)

the Economy of North Wales" as the basis for negotiation with the UK and Welsh Governments over a

Growth Bid for the region; and

(2) To support and endorse the

prospectus for Rail Improvement

"Growth Track 360".

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS

Extensive consultation underpins the REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: vision document as set out in the report.

Growth Track 360 prospectus attached to the report includes a selection of the endorsement and support for the rail improvements identified and needed across the region, from a broad range of stakeholder groups and individual

businesses.

None at this early stage. **RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:**

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

None. **DISPENSATIONS**

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 20 SEPTEMBER 2016 AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

REPORT OF: **Chief Executive**

WELSH LANGUAGE ANNUAL REPORT SUBJECT:

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: (1) To agree the Welsh Language

Annual Monitoring Report for the period 2015/16. The report is

attached as an Appendix; and

(2) Note progress being made to implement the Welsh Language Standards and areas for

improvement.

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

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS Consultation was not required for this **REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:**

report, but services have contributed to

the content of the Annual Report.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: It is difficult to estimate the full financial

> cost of implementing the Standards. There will be an increased use of interpretation and translation services to meet many of the Standards and meet the needs of Welsh speaking customers and Non-compliance employees. individual Standards may result in the Commissioner imposing financial penalties on the Council. Continual breaches by services may have a significant cumulative financial impact on

the Council.

There are training implications for employees. Both Welsh language skills training and Welsh language awareness training needs to be increased. Managers need to ensure that employees comply with the Standards and are aware of their

responsibilities.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 20 SEPTEMBER 2016 AGENDA ITEM NO. 7

REPORT OF: Chief Officer (Streetscene and Transportation)

THE FINAL STAGE OF THE REVIEW OF EXISTING SUBJECT:

SPEED LIMIT ORDERS ON THE COUNCIL'S

HIGHWAY NETWORK AND PROPOSED PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS FOR ANY FUTURE CHANGES TO

SPEED LIMIT ORDERS

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:

(1) That Cabinet approve the revised process to deliver the final phase of the review of speed limit orders on all of the Council's Highway Network; and

That Cabinet (2) approve the proposed changes to the process which will be adopted for any future revisions of highway speed limit

orders.

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

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS **REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:**

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

With the Cabinet Member.

Approval of the proposed process will greatly reduce current demand on Legal

services.

The utilising of approved templates will demand Streetscene reduce on

resources.

A mapping exercise is required accurately record the positioning existing speed limits within the County. This will require additional Technical Officer services which will be funded

through existing service budgets.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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DATE OF MEETING: 20 SEPTEMBER 2016 AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

REPORT OF: Chief Officer (Governance)

SUBJECT: CONTRACT PROCEDURE RULES

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That Cabinet recommends Council:

Adopts the proposed CPRs

 Harmonises delegated authority levels for spending decisions within the Constitution with effect from 1

November 2016

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:

CONSULTATIONS The proposed CPRs have

considered by a cross portfolio working group of officers from Audit, Finance, Housing, Legal, Properties & Valuations

and Streetscene.

After approval by Cabinet the CPRs will need to be considered by the Audit Committee (26 September 2016) before going to the Constitution Committee (5 October 2016) and then Full Council (19

October 2016).

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: There are no financial implications arising

directly out of this report.

Following approval of the proposed CPRs there will be a programme of training for officers. This will commence with awareness sessions at portfolio DMTs with longer sessions for those actually

undertaking day to day procurement.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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DATE OF MEETING: 20 SEPTEMBER 2016 AGENDA ITEM NO. 9

REPORT OF: Corporate Finance Manager

SUBJECT: CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING 2016/17

(MONTH 4)

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: (1) Approve the report;

(2) Approve the rollover adjustments;

and

(3) Approve the request for additional

resources.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS No consultation is required as a direct

REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: result of this report.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: As set out in the report.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 20 SEPTEMBER 2016 AGENDA ITEM NO. 10

REPORT OF: Corporate Finance Manager

SUBJECT: REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2016/17 (MONTH

4)

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: (1) Cabinet is recommended to note

the report; and

(2) To approve an allocation of £0.861M from the contingency reserve to meet the financial impact of the changed proposals for household recycling centres, community asset transfers, town centre and county hall car parking charging, and workforce essential

care user allowances.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS None required.

REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:

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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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 20 SEPTEMBER 2016 AGENDA ITEM NO. 11

REPORT OF: Corporate Finance Manager

SUBJECT: TREASURY MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REPORT

2015/16

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: Cabinet approves and recommends to

Council the Annual Treasury

Management Report for 2015/16.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS Arlingclose Ltd, being the Council's

REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: treasury management advisors.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: Financial implications are addressed in

the report. No other resources implications directly as a result of this

report.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 20 SEPTEMBER 2016 AGENDA ITEM NO. 12

REPORT OF: Chief Officer (Community and Enterprise)

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL MEMBERS AS

DIRECTORS, NEW HOMES

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: Cabinet approves the appointment of Cllr

Glyn Banks, Cllr Hilary McGuill and Cllr Nigel Steele-Mortimer as Directors of

North East Wales Homes Limited.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS Following Cabinet approval, the NEW

REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: Homes Board should formally appoint the

proposed 3 directors at the next board

meeting.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: There are no direct resource implications

for the Council arising from this report.

<u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:</u> Councillor Attridge.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 20 SEPTEMBER 2016 AGENDA ITEM NO. 13

REPORT OF: Chief Officer (Community and Enterprise)

SUBJECT: BUSINESS RATES - WRITE OFF ABOVE £25,000

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: Approve the write off of the business rate

debt for Richmond Investment Properties

Ltd amounting to £25,881.51.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONSAll write offs must be approved by the Corporate Finance Manager, but in the

Corporate Finance Manager, but in the case of write offs over £25,000 Cabinet must be consulted before a decision is

taken to write off debts.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: There are no direct financial implications

for the Council or local taxpayers as business rates which are collected (or not collected) are borne by the National Collection Pool for Wales. As the Collection Pool is supported by Welsh Government, non-payment of rates does though have a wider impact on the Welsh

taxpayer.

Writing off this debts, amounting to losses to the National Collection Pool of £25,881.51 is being recommended as a last resort and only on the basis that there is no prospect of successfully recovering

this debt.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: 20 SEPTEMBER 2016 AGENDA ITEM NO. 14

REPORT OF: Chief Officer (Streetscene and Transportation)

SUBJECT: HIGHWAYS AND CAR PARK INSPECTION POLICY

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That Cabinet approves the reviewed

Highway and Car Park Inspection Policy outlining the Council's approach to all safety inspections, intervention criteria

and response times.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS With Cabinet Member.

REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: The new revised policy confirms the

existing arrangements and there will be no detrimental impact on operations or

costs as a result.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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