

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

2017/18
Decision No.
1926

Record of Decision by Executive

Monday, 10 July 2017

Portfolio	Health and Public Protection
Subject:	Pest Control Services
Report of:	Director of Planning & Regulation
Strategy/Policy:	Corporate Strategy
Corporate Objectives:	A Safe and Healthy Place to Live and Work; Dynamic, Prudent and Progressive Council

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to review the Council's Pest Control Service, to bring it in line with other Hampshire Authorities. In particular to amend the fees and charges to introduce charging for rodent treatments, but also to ensure that the service is accessible to those in the community on the lowest incomes free of charge.

The Council has operated a Pest Control Service for a number of years and, apart from some very minor changes the Service has remained unchanged. It is essentially a service which provides free treatments to residents for rats and mice and a chargeable service for insects, although for people on low income the insect service is also currently free of charge. This report considers the options for the service going forward. These options range from not providing a service at all, to introducing charges for rodent treatments. Over the last few years most other Authorities in Hampshire have introduced charges for rodent treatments.

Options Considered:

At the invitation of the Executive Leader, Councillors RH Price, JP, Mrs M Brady and S Cunningham addressed the Executive on this item.
As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive agrees:

- (a) to introduce charging for rodent treatments but to keep it free of charge for those on the lowest incomes, as detailed in Appendix D of the report;
- (b) to introduce a £30 fee to survey and quote for flea and bed bug treatments as a standard charge doesn't reflect the work involved for heavy infestations of these insects; and
- (c) to give delegated authority to the Head of Environmental Health to waive any charges in appropriate cases.

Reason:

It is necessary to amend the Pest Control Service to bring it in line with other Hampshire Authorities. In particular, to amend the fees and charges to introduce charging for rodent treatments, but also ensure that the service is accessible to those in the community on the lowest incomes. The additional income from rodent treatments will help the Council meet the difficult financial challenge it faces.

Confirmed as a true record: Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

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Portfolio	Planning and Development
Subject:	Fareham (Town Centre): Final Regeneration Vision for Publication
Report of:	Director of Planning & Regulation
Strategy/Policy:	Fareham Borough Local Plan
Corporate Objectives:	A Balanced Housing Market; Maintain and Extend Prosperity; Protect and Enhance the Environment

Purpose:

To consider and approve the Final Regeneration Vision for Fareham Town Centre (set out in Appendix A).

The Report briefly outlines the public consultation undertaken as part of the Council's Draft Regeneration Vision for Fareham Town Centre. This report sets out the key changes to the Draft Vision which have emerged from this public consultation. The Final Vision therefore sets out the Council's ambitions for regenerating Fareham Town Centre to meet the existing and future needs of the Borough and takes on board the views and issues expressed by the local community and how working with landowners and key partners we can improve the town centre.

Options Considered:

At the invitation of the Executive Leader, Councillor S Cunningham addressed the Executive on this item.
As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive approves:

- (a) the Final Regeneration Vision for Fareham Town Centre set out in Appendix A for publication; and
- (b) approves that the Director of Planning and Regulation be authorised to make any necessary minor changes to the Final Regeneration Vision for Fareham Town Centre, providing that these do not change the overall direction, shape or emphasis of the document, prior to the document being published on the Council's website.

Reason:

To encourage and actively promote the regeneration of Fareham Town Centre, encouraging development on brownfield land and future investment and funding for its future prosperity of the town centre and wider Borough.

Confirmed as a true record: Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

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Portfolio	Planning and Development
Subject:	Portchester Village Centre: Final Regeneration Vision for Publication
Report of:	Director of Planning & Regulation
Strategy/Policy:	Fareham Borough Local Plan
Corporate Objectives:	A Balanced Housing Market; Maintain and Extend Prosperity; Protect and Enhance the Environment

Purpose:

To consider and approve the Final Regeneration Vision for Portchester Village Centre (set out in Appendix A).

The report briefly outlines the public consultation undertaken as part of the Council's Draft Regeneration Vision for Portchester Village Centre. This report sets out key changes to the Draft Vision which have emerged from this public consultation. The Final Vision therefore sets out the Council's ambitions for regenerating the village centre of Portchester which takes on board the views and issues expressed by the local community, and how, working with key partners the Authority and key parties, we are able to improve the village centre.

Options Considered:

At the invitation of the Executive Leader, Councillors RH Price, JP and S Cunningham addressed the Executive on this item.
As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive approves:

- (a) the Final Regeneration Vision for the Portchester Village Centre as set out in Appendix A of the report for publication;
- (b) that the Director of Planning and Regulation be authorised to make any necessary minor changes to the Final Regeneration Vision for Portchester, providing that these do not change the overall direction, shape or emphasis of the document, prior to the document being published on the Council's website;
- (c) that a further report be presented to a future meeting of the Executive giving details of opportunities to change parking arrangements in the Council's car parks to the

south of the village centre; and

(d) that officers seek further updated advice on the existing retail health of the village centre and its future commercial prospects.

Reason:

To encourage and actively promote the regeneration of Portchester Village Centre, encouraging future investment and funding for its future prosperity.

Confirmed as a true record: Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

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Portfolio	Planning and Development
Subject:	River Wallington Gabion Replacement Works
Report of:	Director of Planning & Regulation
Strategy/Policy:	Corporate Strategy
Corporate Objectives:	A Safe and Healthy Place to Live and Work; Protect and Enhance the Environment

Purpose:

To seek funding approval to undertake works to replace the existing failing gabion retaining wall owned by Fareham Borough Council, that prevents erosion of the river bank adjacent to Wallington Shore Road and potential flooding to the village.

The failing structure in need of replacement forms part of an erosion barrier which protects FBC owned land from erosion by the River Wallington.

The erosion barrier is formed of a gabion basket retaining wall 41m long. At its closest, Wallington Shore Road is within 4m of the erosion barrier. The structure has already begun to fail in places. The structure has previously been maintained by FBC, but has now reached the end of its serviceable life and is no longer maintainable.

There is a high risk that a complete failure of sections of the FBC owned wall could occur under high river flow conditions, putting FBC owned land and Wallington village at increased flood risk.

It is proposed to replace the failing sections with a new gabion retaining wall in 2017 with funds from the FBC Capital Programme.

The details set out in the report have been developed in collaboration with FBC Finance, Estates and Legal teams.

Options Considered:

As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive:

- (a) approves funding for the replacement of the gabion basket retaining wall on the River

Wallington, as outlined in confidential Appendix B of the report; and

- (b) delegates authority to the Director of Planning and Regulation to procure and deliver the works, subject to the award of contract being made through an Individual Decision of the Executive Member for Planning and Development.

Reason:

The current erosion barrier, the lifespan of which is estimated to be less than 1 year, has reached the end of its serviceable life and has already begun to fail in places. There is a high risk of complete failure of sections of the erosion barrier under high river flow conditions, leading to erosion of FBC owned land and increased flood risk to Wallington village.

Replacing the gabion baskets will reinstate the erosion barrier on this section of the River Wallington for the next 20 years.

Confirmed as a true record: Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

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Monday, 10 July 2017

Portfolio	Planning and Development
Subject:	Self and Custom Build Register
Report of:	Director of Planning & Regulation
Strategy/Policy:	Fareham Borough Local Plan
Corporate Objectives:	A Balanced Housing Market; Strong and Inclusive Communities

Purpose:

To approve the introduction of a specified charging fee and the introduction of a local connection test to the Council's self and customer build register. This will ensure the register provides a realistic indication of local need for self and custom build in order to comply with the Self and Custom Housebuilding (Time for Compliance and Fees) Regulations 2016.

This report outlines the recent change to regulations in respect of self and custom build and the Council's proposals to respond to these changes. The Council established a self and custom build register in March 2016. The regulations allow the Council to charge applicants for joining and remaining on the self and custom build register. In addition, the regulations enable the Council to establish a local connection test for applicants wishing to join the register. The report outlines the considerations of introducing both a set charging fee and a local connection test to the self and custom build register.

Options Considered:

At the invitation of the Executive Leader, Councillor RH Price, JP addressed the Executive on this item.
As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive approves:

- (a) the introduction of a set charging fee of £20 for applicants that wish to gain entry onto the self and custom build register with effect from the 1st August 2017;
- (b) the introduction of an annual set fee of £10 to be charged for each base period that the applicant remains on the register with effect from 1st August 2017; and
- (c) the introduction of a local connection test to ensure the register provides an accurate representation of local need for self and customer build in the Borough.

Reason:

To ensure the self and custom build register provides a realistic indication of the self and custom build need in the Borough. The need will be fully assessed in the Council's Self and Custom Build Need Background Paper which will form part of the emerging Local Plan.

Confirmed as a true record: Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

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Portfolio	Planning and Development
Subject:	Local Development Scheme
Report of:	Director of Planning & Regulation
Strategy/Policy:	Fareham Borough Local Plan
Corporate Objectives:	A Safe and Healthy Place to Live and Work; Dynamic, Prudent and Progressive Council; Leisure for Health and Fun; Maintain and Extend Prosperity; Protect and Enhance the Environment; Strong and Inclusive Communities

Purpose:

To approve the Local Development Scheme (2017) for adoption.

Local Planning Authorities are required by legislation to prepare and maintain a Local Development Scheme (LDS). The purpose of the Fareham Borough LDS is to set out the timetable for producing the Fareham Borough Local Plan Review and the Authority Monitoring Reports (AMR).

An up-to-date LDS ensures that the community and other interested parties are aware of the programme for preparing the Fareham Local Plan 2036 and, importantly, when there will be opportunities to respond to consultations on it.

The timetable set out in the LDS aims for the adoption for the Fareham Local Plan 2036 in summer 2019.

Options Considered:

As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive:

- (a) agrees to adopt the Fareham Borough Local Development Scheme 2017 as set out in Appendix A to the report; and
- (b) authorises the Director of Planning and Regulation to make any necessary minor changes to the Local Development Scheme, providing that these do not change the overall direction, shape or emphasis of the document, prior to the document being published on the Council's website.

Reason:

To meet the Council's statutory responsibility for setting out and up-to-date timetable for the production of the Fareham Local Plan 2036 so that local communities and interested parties can keep track of progress.

Confirmed as a true record: Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

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Portfolio	Policy & Resources
Subject:	Draft Corporate Strategy 2017 - 2023
Report of:	Director of Finance & Resources
Strategy/Policy:	Corporate Strategy
Corporate Objectives:	(All Corporate Priorities)

Purpose:

To present a draft Corporate Strategy covering the period 2017 to 2023.

Our Corporate Strategy sets out our vision and priorities for the Borough.

It is a key document which influences our medium-term budget planning, our day to day service delivery and the large-scale projects that we will undertake in the future.

The Corporate Strategy normally covers a five-year period and is reviewed and updated annually to ensure that we can monitor progress and make amendments as per changing circumstances. At the end of the five-year period a new Corporate Strategy is prepared, in consultation with the local community.

The current Corporate Strategy covers the period 2011 to 2016, so work has been undertaken to prepare a new draft Corporate Strategy for the next five years.

This report explains the background to the preparation of the new Corporate Strategy, including a review of our achievements over the last five years, a consultation exercise on the relevance of our priorities, and a review of the statistical data relating to the Borough's population and groups within it.

It also includes a draft Corporate Strategy for the next five years which, if approved, would be subject to a period of consultation.

Options Considered:

At the invitation of the Executive Leader, Councillors P J Davies and RH Price, JP addressed the Executive on this item.

As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive:

- (a) approves that the draft Corporate Strategy be circulated for public consultation subject to the inclusion of the word “healthy” at paragraph 19(a) to read “strong, safe, healthy and inclusive communities”; and
- (b) approves the implementation of the equality objectives in paragraph 32, for the next four years, as required by the Equality Act 2010.

Reason:

To meet the requirements of the Council’s performance management framework.

Confirmed as a true record: Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

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Portfolio	Policy & Resources
Subject:	Lease of Tennis Court at Burridge to 1st Sarisbury Green Scouts
Report of:	Director of Finance & Resources
Strategy/Policy:	Asset Management Plan
Corporate Objectives:	Dynamic, Prudent and Progressive Council

Purpose:

To receive a report on the heads of terms agreed with the 1st Sarisbury Scout Group for a lease of a tennis court adjacent to the Burridge Village Hall on which they will provide their new scout hut.

The 1st Sarisbury Scout Group were previously resident in the former Coldeast Hospital Community Hall but vacated the property when it became dilapidated. The Group moved to Burridge Village Hall where they hire the facilities two nights a week and also have a container on the site which they use to store their equipment.

Since vacating the Coldeast Community Hall, the group have been looking for a permanent home. Consideration was given to incorporating a scout hall into the plans for the sports changing facilities on Coldeast when proposals were being developed for the new Holly Hill Leisure Centre. However, the group were unable to raise sufficient funds and so the project was not progressed.

The site of a tennis court adjacent to Burridge Village Hall has been identified, subject to planning, for the location of a permanent home for the scouts. The Executive briefing paper sets out the heads of terms agreed with the scouts for a lease of the tennis court on which they will provide their new scout hut.

Options Considered:

A deputation on this item was received from Mr Toby Dickenson.
As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive agrees the Heads of Terms, as set out at paragraph 6 of the report, for a lease of the tennis court adjacent to the Burridge Village Hall for the location of a

scout hut which will become the permanent home of the 1st Sarisbury Scout Group.

Reason:

To obtain the approval of the Executive to the heads of terms agreed with the 1st Sarisbury Scout Group for a lease of a tennis court adjacent to the Burrige Village Hall for the location of their permanent home.

Confirmed as a true record: Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

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Portfolio	Policy & Resources
Subject:	General Fund and Housing Revenue Account Outturn 2016/17
Report of:	Director of Finance & Resources
Strategy/Policy:	Finance Strategy
Corporate Objectives:	Dynamic, Prudent and Progressive Council

Purpose:

This report provides the Executive with details of the actual revenue expenditure for 2016/17 for the General Fund and Housing Revenue and Repairs Account and seeks approval for the completion, in 2017/18, of the 2016/17 expenditure programmes set out in the briefing paper contained in the report.

The General Fund actual revenue expenditure for 2016/17 totals £8,482,417 which represents an overall underspend of £420,883 when compared to the revised budget.

However, it has not been possible to complete a number of expenditure programmes in 2016/17 and approval is sought to complete these programmes totalling £272,200 during 2017/18. When the use of the saving in 2016/17 to complete these programmes is taken into account, along with financing adjustments of £514,150 due to additional NNDR payments being received, the net reported underspend for the year is £662,833.

The final figures for the Housing Revenue and Repairs Account (HRA) in 2016/17 show that, overall, the value of the HRA reserve has reduced by £1,249,000 against a revised budget surplus of £460,000. This is mainly due to the decision to put aside £2,164,000 to replenish the Capital Development Fund which was used to fund £3,544,000 of new construction in the year.

Options Considered:

At the invitation of the Executive Leader, Councillor Mrs M Brady addressed the Executive on this item.

As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive:

- (a) approves to carry forward £272,200 to fund the completion of the General Fund expenditure programmes in 2017/18, as contained in the report;
- (b) approves that £53,000 from the HRA Capital account is carried forward to fund the outstanding balances from the 2016/17 programme in 2017/18; and
- (c) notes the contents of the report.

Reason:

To enable the completion of the General Fund expenditure programme for 2016/17 and to ensure that the balances on the Housing Revenue and Repairs Accounts at 31 March 2017 will be available in future years and that 2017/18 budgets are sufficient to meet the level of work programmed.

Confirmed as a true record: Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

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Portfolio	Policy & Resources
Subject:	Capital and Treasury Management Outturn 2016/17
Report of:	Director of Finance & Resources
Strategy/Policy:	Finance Strategy
Corporate Objectives:	Dynamic, Prudent and Progressive Council

Purpose:

This report provides the Executive with details of the capital and treasury management outturn for 2016/17 to comply with the reporting requirements of the Code of Practice for Treasury Management. The report also seeks approval for the proposed methods of financing the General Fund capital programme.

Actual capital expenditure on General Fund schemes in 2016/17 was £21,116,334 compared with the revised capital programme of £29,132,600. The overall variance was £8,016,266 and a detailed analysis of the variations is given in Appendix A to this report.

Total savings of £106,008 were achieved, additional expenditure of £89,622 was incurred and a total of £7,999,880 will be carried forward into 2017/18

Details of the various methods used to finance this expenditure are set out in this report.

Full details of Treasury Management investment and borrowing activity in 2016/17 are also set out in this report. Investment activity in 2016/17 is summarised below

	£m
Investments as at 1 April 2016	32.8
Investments made	115.1
Investments repaid	132.9
Investments as at 31 March 2017	15.0

Total external investment interest received for the year was £272,084. The total of external interest paid on borrowing and other amounts invested with the Council was £1,405,260.

The net total of £1,133,176 has been allocated to the Council's funds as shown in the following table:

	£
General Fund	551,389
Housing Revenue Account	-1,684,565
Total External Interest	-1,133,176

During 2016/17, the Council complied with its legislative and regulatory requirements of the Prudential Code.

Options Considered:

As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive:

- (a) approves that the General Fund capital programme for 2016/17 be approved and financed as set out in the report;
- (b) agrees that the additional expenditure incurred, amounting to £89,622 be financed retrospectively from surplus capital resources;
- (c) notes the update on the provision of a hotel at Fareham Shopping Centre, and agrees the revised estimated cost of the hotel development is funded by prudential borrowing; and
- (d) notes the treasury management activity for 2016/17.

Reason:

To provide the Executive with details of the capital and treasury management outturn in 2016/17 and to comply with the reporting requirements of the Code of Practice for Treasury Management.

Confirmed as a true record: Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

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