FAREHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

2019/20 Decision No. 2116

Record of Decision by Executive

Monday, 1 July 2019

Portfolio	Planning and Development	
Subject:	Warsash Neighbourhood Plan: Applications for Warsash Neighbourhood Forum and Warsash Neighbourhood Area	
Report of:	Director of Planning and Regeneration	
Corporate Priority:	Maintain and extend prosperity; Protect and enhance the environment; Providing housing choices; Strong, safe, inclusive and healthy communities	

Purpose:

To provide the Executive with the opportunity to consider both applications to designate a neighbourhood forum and neighbourhood area for Warsash in light of the requirements of the relevant legislation.

On 22 March 2019, the Council (Local Planning Authority) received an application to establish a neighbourhood forum and neighbourhood area for Warsash. Put simply, if both designated, Warsash Neighbourhood Forum can then go on to produce a Neighbourhood Plan for the Warsash Neighbourhood Area.

This report briefly explains the key requirements within legislation and regulations the local authority has to consider when determining any neighbourhood forum and neighbourhood area applications. Then the publicity the Council, as the local planning authority, must undertake, along with an explanation of the timescales within which the decision needs to be taken and a summary of the outcome of the Council's publicity on these applications.

Options Considered:

The Executive received a deputation in respect of this item from Mr Matthew Hall.

As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive approves the application to designate the Warsash Neighbourhood Forum and the application to designate the Warsash Neighbourhood Area, as they meet the requirements of the relevant legislation and regulations.

Reason:

Given that both these applications meet the relevant legislation and regulations, it is

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

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Portfolio	Policy & Resources
Subject:	General Fund & Housing Revenue Account Outturn 2018-19
Report of:	Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Corporate Priority:	Dynamic, prudent and progressive Council

Purpose:

This report provides the Executive with details of the actual revenue expenditure for 2018/19 for the General Fund and Housing Revenue and Repairs Account and seeks approval for the completion, in 2019/20 of the 2018/19 expenditure programmes set out in the briefing paper contained in the report.

The General Fund actual revenue expenditure for 2018/19 totals £8,961,887 which represents an overall overspend of £521,387 when compared to the revised budget.

However, additional funding income from business rates and grants linked to business rates of £870,501 leaves a position of making a contribution to reserves of £349,114.

Also, it has not been possible to complete a number of expenditure programmes in 2018/19 and approval is sought to complete these programmes totalling £171,700 during 2019/20. When the use of the contribution to reserves in 2018/19 to complete these programmes is taken into account the final contribution to reserves for the year is £177, 414.

The final figures for the Housing Revenue and Repairs Account (HRA) in 2018/19 show that, overall, HRA Reserves have increased by \pounds 1.84 million. The HRA revenue reserve has reduced by \pounds 293,000 against a revised budget surplus of \pounds 17,000.

Options Considered:

In considering this item, the Executive took into account the comments of the Policy & Resources Scrutiny Panel: RESOLVED that the Policy and Resources Scrutiny Panel recommends to the Executive:

- (i). the Council charge 50% of the costs of works to Council trees when requested by residents for benefits to their property; and
- (ii). to task Officers with looking into the issue of Planning Appeal fees and look to lobby the Government to make a change to the current system whereby bigger charges are levied on developers who put forward spurious appeals.

In considering the item referred at point (i) the Executive RESOLVED to ask Officers to review the proposed charge increase and to put forward any subsequent recommended charge increases as part of the budget preparations for the financial year 2020/21.

In considering the item referred at point (ii) the Executive took the view that developers have the right to put forward appeals in accordance with Planning rules and that the review of Planning Appeal fees would be undertaken as part of the forthcoming Vanguard method review of Planning.

As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive:

- (a) approves the carry forward of £171,700 to fund the completion of the General Fund expenditure programmes in 2019/20, as contained in the report;
- (b) approves the carry forward of £799,000 for the HRA Capital Programme to re-align budget and expenditure phasing and to support the forthcoming programme for 2019/20; and
- (c) notes the contents of the report.

Reason:

To enable the completion of the General Fund expenditure programme for 2018/19 and to ensure that the balances on the Housing Revenue and Repairs Accounts at 31 March 2019 will be available in future years and that 2019/20 budgets are sufficient to meet the level of work programmed.

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Portfolio	Policy & Resources
Subject:	Capital and Treasury Management Outturn 2018-19
Report of:	Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Corporate Priority:	Dynamic, prudent and progressive Council

Purpose:

The report provides the Executive with details of the capital and treasury management outturn for 2018/19 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 2018/19 was £3,544,468 compared with the revised capital programme of £10,085,700. The overall variance was £6,541,232 and a detailed analysis of the variations is given in Appendix A to the report.

Total savings of £46,675 were achieved, additional expenditure of £342,178 was incurred and a total of £6,836,735 will be carried forward to 2019/20. Details of the various methods used to finance this expenditure are set out in the report.

Full details of Treasury Management investment and borrowing activity in 2018/19 are also set out in the report. Treasury activity in 2018/19 is summarised below:

	31 March 2018 Actual £'000	2018/19 Movement £'000	31 March 2019 Actual £'000
Total borrowing	52,017	(6,507)	45,510
Total investments	(12,000)	(1,100)	(13,100)
Net borrowing	40,017	(7,607)	32,410

Net interest received in 2018/19 was £481,480 and net interest paid £1,728,219.

During 2018/19, 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 2018/19 be approved and financed as set out in this report;
- (b) agrees that the additional expenditure incurred, amounting to £342,178 be financed retrospectively from unallocated capital resources; and
- (c) notes the treasury management activity for 2018/19.

Reason:

To provide the Executive with details of the capital and treasury management outturn in 2018/19 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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