

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

2020/21
Decision No.
2235

Record of Decision by Executive

Monday, 7 December 2020

Portfolio	Housing
Subject:	Sale of land to the rear of 22 Cort Way
Report of:	Director of Planning and Regeneration
Corporate Priority:	Dynamic, prudent and progressive Council

Purpose:

To consider the proposed sale of an area of land to the rear of 22 Cort Way, Fareham.

The owners of 22 Cort Way wish to purchase the land which they currently hold on licence on terms as provisionally agreed by the Head of Estates. The land is considered to be surplus to requirement and has no development potential for the Council.

Options Considered:

At the invitation of the Executive Leader, Councillor L Keeble addressed the Executive on this item.

As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive approves the disposal of the land to the rear of 22 Cort Way on the terms and conditions as detailed in the confidential Appendix B attached to the report.

Reason:

To dispose of surplus land and to receive a capital receipt.

Confirmed as a true record:

Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

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Portfolio	Planning and Development
Subject:	Partnership for South Hampshire Statement of Common Ground
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 seek approval of the Partnership for South Hampshire (PfSH) Statement of Common Ground to enable it to be signed as a formal document for use by the Partnership for South Hampshire, to support the development of a Joint Strategy.

PfSH, as a collective of Local Planning Authorities, are updating the 2016 Spatial Position Statement and will prepare a new Joint Strategy for strategic development in the sub-region to 2036. To help shape the work and to ensure all members of PfSH are clear on the outputs, a Statement of Common Ground (SOCG) has been drafted for the members to sign, which sets out the programme of work that will be undertaken. Such a SOCG was first produced in October 2019 and this version represents an update on progress to date, and importantly includes an updated timeline.

Options Considered:

At the invitation of the Executive Leader, Councillor L Keeble addressed the Executive on this item.

As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive:

- (a) approves the content of the Statement of Common Ground, included as Appendix A to the report; and
- (b) delegates the signing of the document to the Chief Executive Officer.

Reason:

To demonstrate Fareham Borough Council's support for the continued collaboration within PfSH to develop a new Joint Strategy for development across the sub-region.

Confirmed as a true record:

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Portfolio	Policy & Resources
Subject:	Finance Monitoring Report 2020/21
Report of:	Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Corporate Priority:	Dynamic, prudent and progressive Council

Purpose:

This report provides comparative information on the Council's revenue expenditure for the period for the first half of the financial year. Members are invited to consider the financial performance and any corrective action that may be deemed appropriate.

The report provides summary information on the overall spending position against the emergency revenue budgets in the current year, as set out in the following tables:-

General Fund	Emergency Budget 2020/21	Budget to 31 Oct 20	Actual to 31 Oct 20	Variation
	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s
Service Budgets	15,908	3,345	3,171	-174
Non-Service Budgets	-2,602	-727	-737	-10
Net Budgets	13,306	2,618	2,434	-184

Housing Revenue Account	Emergency Budget 2020/21	Budget to 30 Sep 20	Actual to 30 Sep 20	Variation
	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s
Income Budgets	-12,142	-6,177	-6,224	-47
Management Costs	3,517	1,173	1,046	-127
Finance Costs	2,837	700	700	0
Property Costs	5,788	1,132	938	-194
Net Budget	0	-3,172	-3,540	-368

Revenue spending plans are currently showing a net underspend for the first half of the financial year. However, there are a number of areas where spend is in excess of the budget; and a similar half yearly position was reported last year but the outturn position on the General Fund was a small overspend. It therefore remains

appropriate to continue to monitor financial performance closely over the remainder of the financial year to ensure that any slippage does not adversely affect the services provided to residents and customers. Commentary on the most significant variations is set out in the briefing paper accompanying the report.

Options Considered:

As recommendations

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive notes the Finance Monitoring Report 2020/21.

Reason:

To provide members of the Executive with a summary of the Council's budgetary performance for the first half of the financial year.

Confirmed as a true record:

Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

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Portfolio	Policy & Resources
Subject:	Treasury Management and Capital Monitoring 2020/21
Report of:	Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Corporate Priority:	Dynamic, prudent and progressive Council

Purpose:

This report summarises the Council's investment activity and capital expenditure up to 30 September 2020 and provides details of the Council's money market transactions. It also provides information on the performance against the Treasury and Prudential Indicators.

During the first half of the year the Council operated within the Treasury and Prudential Indicators.

The overall investment position is set out in the following table:-

	31 March 2020 Actual £'000	30 Sept 2020 Actual £'000
Total borrowing	57,659	52,967
Total investments	(14,839)	(18,255)
New borrowing	42,820	34,712

During the Emergency Budget setting process, the net interest budget for 2020/21 was reduced by £136,000 to £559,700 (£603,300 actual in 2019/20) to reflect the reduction in investment returns. A summary of the capital programme expenditure against budgets in the current year, is set out in the following table:-

Capital Programme	Revised Budget 2020/21 £	Budget to 30 Sep 20 £	Actual to 30 Sep 20 £	Variation £
General Fund	11,987,600	1,410,000	1,098,447	-311,553
HRA	6,662,000	3,331,000	2,867,603	-463,397
Total	18,649,600	4,741,000	3,966,050	-774,950

Options Considered:

At the invitation of the Executive Leader, Councillor L Keeble addressed the Executive on this item.

As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive notes the Treasury Management and Capital Monitoring Report for 2020/21.

Reason:

To inform the Executive of the Council's investment, borrowing and capital programme activity up to 30 September 2020.

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Portfolio	Policy & Resources
Subject:	Additional Restrictions Grant Scheme
Report of:	Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Corporate Priority:	Dynamic, prudent and progressive Council; Maintain and extend prosperity

Purpose:

To approve the principles to be used for the design of the Additional Restrictions Grant (ARG) Scheme for Fareham Borough Council.

The Council has been allocated funding by the government to be used for an additional restrictions grant scheme to support local economies and businesses adversely affected by restrictions resulting from the Covid-19 pandemic.

The funding can be used during 2020/21 and 2021/22 on business support grant schemes and wider support schemes. Local authorities have the discretion to determine how much funding to provide businesses and which businesses to target.

This report therefore seeks to establish the principles to be used for the design of this grant scheme.

Options Considered:

A revised Appendix A – Additional Restrictions Grant Scheme was tabled at the meeting to clarify some of the proposed principles of the scheme.

As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive agrees that:

- (a) the key principles to be followed when designing the Additional Restrictions Grant Fund Scheme as outlined in the tabled item, revised Appendix A to the report, are approved for adoption in Fareham; and
- (b) authority is delegated to the Deputy Chief Executive Officer, following consultation with the Executive Member for Policy and Resources, to approve the individual elements of the scheme as they are designed.

Reason:

The principles have been drawn up to help design an ARG Scheme which maximises the benefit we can provide to businesses sooner, rather than later, help the local economy and follow the spirit of the government guidance.

As the number of eligible businesses are likely to exceed funding available, it is proposed to stagger the design and implementation of a number of different elements making up the scheme to be able to gain an understanding of the impact of the level of take up on the funding available. However, it is still intended to roll these out at a quickened pace which may be hampered if full executive committee approval is sought.

Confirmed as a true record:

Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

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