

Cabinet minutes

Wednesday 16 December 2015 at 6.00 p.m.

in the Council Chamber at the Council House, Walsall

Present

Councillor Bird	Leader of the Council
Councillor Andrew	Deputy Leader, Economy, infrastructure and development
Councillor Hughes	Care and safeguarding
Councillor Harris	Community, leisure and culture
Councillor Harrison	Clean and green
Councillor Towe	Learning skills and apprenticeships
Councillor Bennett	Personnel and business support
Councillor Martin	Public health and wellbeing
Councillor Arif	Shared services and procurement

3405 Minutes

Resolved

That the minutes of the meetings held on 19 and 28 October and 7 December 2015 copies having been sent to each member of the Cabinet be approved and signed as correct records.

3406 Declarations of interest

Councillors Arif and Towe declared an interest in item 9 – Walsall Adult and Community College – revised budget and withdrew from the room during consideration of the item.

3407 Local Government (Access to Information) Act, 1985

Resolved

That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the items set out in the private part of the agenda for the reasons set out therein and Section 100A of the Local Government Act, 1972.

3408 **Petition**

The following petition was submitted by Councillor Hicken:

- Protect New Invention Library service

3409 **Forward plan**

The forward plan as at 7 December 2015 was submitted:

(see annexed)

Resolved

That the forward plan be noted.

3410 **Resource allocation 2016/17 to 2019/20: Draft revenue budget, draft capital programme and update on financial position**

Councillor Bird presented the revised report:

(see annexed)

In presenting the report Councillor Bird **moved** the following additional recommendation which was duly seconded:

“That Cabinet approve the outsourcing of the Internal Audit and Risk service as detailed in Appendix 1 and delegate to the Chief Finance Officer, in consultation with the portfolio holder, the authority to award the contract.”

Accordingly it was:

Resolved

- (1) That Cabinet note the feedback from overview and scrutiny committees and the update on feedback to date from public/stakeholder consultation as set out in this report, and consider this feedback in preparation for final budget recommendations in February.
- (2) That Cabinet approve as a basis for consultation the current draft capital programme of £71.32m for 2016/17, and an indicative capital programme of £26.15m for 2017/18, £14.64m for 2018/19 and £9.83m for 2019/20, whilst recognising that the further work is required on the programme for 2017/18 and future years to identify funding sources and further prioritise schemes to achieve a balanced programme.

- (3) That following formal approval of the capital programme in February by Council, Cabinet delegate responsibility to the Chief Financial Officer, in consultation with the Asset Strategy Group, to designate resources to projects off the capital reserve list should resources become available in year.
- (4) That this report be referred to all overview and scrutiny committees for consultation to enable their comments to be considered by Cabinet on 3 February 2016.
- (5) That the forecast revenue and capital financial forecast for 2015/16 be noted.
- (6) That the write off of debt as detailed in section 3.8 of the report be approved.
- (7) That Cabinet approve the outsourcing of the Internal Audit and Risk service as detailed in Appendix 1 and delegate to the Chief Finance Officer, in consultation with the portfolio holder, the authority to award the contract.

3411 Walsall Adult and Community College – revised budget

Councillors Arif and Towe having declared an interest in this matter left the room during consideration of the item.

David Haley, Executive Director for Children's Services presented the report:

(see annexed)

Resolved

That the Walsall Adult and Community College revised budget for 2015/16 be approved.

3412 Aldridge Centre lease

Councillor Andrew presented the report and said that the decision relating to this matter would be made in the private session following consideration of a report containing confidential information:

(see annexed)

3413 Adoption Service Annual Report 2014/15

Councillor Hughes presented the report:

(see annexed)

Resolved

That the content of the report be accepted as an accurate reflection of how Walsall Council is meeting its statutory duties in relation to delivery in adoption services.

3414 Waste service options

Councillor Harrison presented the report:

(see annexed)

Resolved

- (1) That Cabinet notes the outcomes of the public consultation about changes to the household waste collection service and approves the change in the service to implement Option 2 - No bin change, all bins emptied every other week.
- (2) That Cabinet approves the TEEP Statement of Compliance pursuant to the to the Waste (England and Wales) Regulations 2011 (Appendix B) subject to the award of the contracts detailed within the Contracts for Treatment, Recycling and Final Disposal of Municipal Waste report also included on this agenda.
- (3) That Cabinet notes the estimated financial savings of implementing Option 2 are circa £921,000 per annum, with part year savings of £520,500 in 2016/17.
- (4) That Cabinet approves the changes to the Council's Waste Policies required to implement the new service as detailed in section 3.5.
- (5) That Cabinet approves £36,600 of funding from 2015/16 under spends within Clean and Green and £135,000 from waste volume reserves to fund additional short term resources to implement the new service including additional customer Contact Centre support, providing education and waste audits and completing the delivery of additional/replacement bins for larger families.
- (6) That Cabinet approves £653,470 of funding for additional/replacement bins via the Council's 2016/17 Capital Programme to be funded from financial borrowing (£380k) and E & E waste reserve revenue contribution (£273,470), with approval for award of the contract delegated to the Executive Director Economy and Environment.

- (7) That Cabinet approves the draft Implementation Timeline which includes Communications, Waste Audits, Bin Deliveries and Start Date as set out in section 3.6 below.
- (8) That Cabinet approves the outline Communications Plan based on the details set out in section 3.7.
- (9) That Cabinet asks the Corporate and Public Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee to review and comment on the Implementation Plan and Communication Plan prior to the launch of the new service.
- (10) That Cabinet agrees for minor variations to be made to the waste collection policies, the implementation plan and the communication plan by the Executive Director, Economy and Environment in consultation with the Portfolio Holder Clean and Green.

3415 Contracts for treatment, recycling and final disposal of municipal waste

Councillor Harrison presented the report and said that the decision relating to this matter would be made in the private session following consideration of a report containing confidential information:

(see annexed)

3416 Redesign and procurement of Public Lifestyle Services 2016

Councillor Martin presented the report:

(see annexed)

Resolved

- (1) That Cabinet notes the feedback from the consultation process on the review of Lifestyle proposals included in paragraph 13 and in Appendix B to this report.
- (2) That Cabinet approves the proposals set out under section 3.4 of this report to re-design the delivery of lifestyle services.
- (3) That Cabinet approves the commencement of a procurement process for a new service model for public health lifestyles services, the outcome of which will be reported back to a future Cabinet for approval of the contract award.

3417 Private Session

Exclusion of public

Resolved

That during consideration of the remaining item on the agenda, the Cabinet considers that the item for consideration is exempt information by virtue of the appropriate paragraph(s) of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972, and accordingly resolves to consider the item in private.

Summary of items considered in private session

3418 Aldridge Centre lease

That the terms agreed with LCP for the surrender of the existing lease and grant of a new lease be approved.

[Exempt information under paragraph 3 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972 (as amended)]

3419 Contracts for treatment, recycling and final disposal of municipal waste

(1) That Cabinet approve the award of contracts, set out below on the basis that tenders have been submitted and evaluated in accordance with the published Invitation to Tender and are the most economically advantageous, based on the quality of their submission and total the price offered:

- (a) Approve the award of Contract 1 – For the provision of the Processing of Co-Mingled Dry Recycling, with a projected annual contract value of £242,160, to Bidder No 2. The Contract is for an initial period of two years, to commence service delivery from 1 April 2016 until 31 March 2018, with an option to extend the initial term of the contract by up to one year from 1 April 2018.
- (b) Approve the award of Contract 2 – Lot 1, for the provision of street sweepings services and gully waste, with a projected annual contract value of £126,000 (including transport), to Bidder No 5. The Contract is for an initial period of four years, to commence service delivery from 1 April 2016 until 31 March 2020, with an option to extend the initial term of the contract up to further two years from 1 April 2020.
- (c) Approve the award of Contract 2 – Lot 2, for the provision of wood waste, with a projected annual contract value of £167,265 (including transport), Bidder No 3. The Contract is for an initial period of four years, to commence service delivery from 1 April 2016 until 31 March 2020, with an option to extend the initial term of the contract up to further two years from 1 April 2020.

- (d) Approve the award of Contract 2 - Lot 3, for the provision of soil and rubble waste, with a projected annual contract value of £25,000 (including transport) per annum to Bidder No 2. The Contract is for an initial period of four years, to commence service delivery from 1 April 2016 until 31 March 2020, with an option to extend the initial term of the contract up to further two years from 1 April 2020.
- (e) Approve the award of Contract 2 - Lot 4a, for the provision of garden waste collected from the kerbside and direct delivered, with a projected annual contract value of £336,000 per annum, to Bidder No 3. The Contract is for an initial period of four years, to commence service delivery from 1 April 2016 until 31 March 2020, with an option to extend the initial term of the contract up to further two years from 1 April 2020.
- (f) Approve the award of Contract 2 - Lot 4b, for the provision of other garden waste services, with a projected annual contract value of £87,270 (including transport) per annum, to Bidder No 4. The Contract is for an initial period of four years, to commence service delivery from 1 April 2016 until 31 March 2020, with an option to extend the initial term of the contract up to further two years from 1 April 2020.
- (g) Approve the award of Contract 2 - Lot 5, for the provision of mixed municipal and domestic waste services, with a projected annual contract value of £1,116,635 (including transport) per annum, to Bidder No 3. The Contract is for an initial period of four years, to commence service delivery from 1 April 2016 until 31 March 2020, with an option to extend the initial term of the contract up to further two years from 1 April 2020.
- (h) Approve the award of Contract 2 - Lot 6, for the provision of ceramic waste, with a projected annual contract value of £5,500 (including transport) per annum, to Bidder No 1. The Contract is for an initial period of four years, to commence service delivery from 1 April 2016 until 31 March 2020, with an option to extend the initial term of the contract up to further two years from 1 April 2020.
- (i) Approve the award of Contract 2 - Lot 7, for the provision of plasterboard waste, with a projected annual contract value of £27,000 (including transport) per annum, to Bidder No 1. The Contract is for an initial period of four years, to commence service delivery from 1 April 2016 until 31 March 2020, with an option to extend the initial term of the contract up to further two years from 1 April 2020.
- (j) Approve the award of Contract 2 - Lot 8, for the provision of carpet waste, with a projected annual contract value of £56,025 (including transport) per annum, to Bidder No 1. The Contract is for an initial period of four years, to commence service delivery from 1 April 2016 until 31 March 2020, with an option to extend the initial term of the contract up to further two years from 1 April 2020.

(k) Approve the award of Contract 2 - Lot 9, for the provision of mattress waste, with a projected annual contract value of £51,858 (including transport) per annum, to Bidder No 1. The Contract is for an initial period of four years, to commence service delivery from 1 April 2016 until 31 March 2020, with an option to extend the initial term of the contract up to further two years from 1 April 2020.

(2) That Cabinet notes that financial impact on costs for both Contracts on the 2016/17 budget is in the region of £699,635 which is currently included in the Medium Term Financial Outlook.

(3) That Cabinet delegate authority to the Executive Director, Economy and Environment, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder, Clean and Green, to enter into contracts with successful bidders by using the most appropriate procedures and to subsequently authorise the sealing of deeds and/or signing of contracts and any other related documents for the provision of such services.

[Exempt information under paragraph 3 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972 (as amended)]

The meeting terminated at 6.10 p.m.