

## Cabinet – Wednesday 17 April 2024

## **DECISIONS – PUBLIC**

PUBLISHED ON 18 April 2024: Decisions set out below cannot be implemented until 5 clear working days after publication of this notice which is FRIDAY 26 APRIL 2024.

Item	Decision
1. Apologies	Apologies were received from Councillor Andrew.
2. Minutes	The minutes of 20 March 2024 were approved as a correct and accurate record.
<b>3.</b> Declarations of Interest	Councillor Flint: Item 9 Resilient Communities – Safer Streets. Councillor Perry: Item 14 Extension of Contractual Arrangements for Local Healthwatch for Walsall under Reg 72 to allow for full design, tendering and implementation.
<b>4</b> . Local Government (Access to Information) Act	To resolve that the public be excluded during consideration of the items in the private session.
5. Petitions	None received.
6. Questions	None received.
7. Forward plan	That the forward plans be noted.
8. Care Experience as a Protected Characteristic	1. That 'Care Experienced' be treated as a local protected characteristic as part of Walsall Council's Equality Duty.
<b>9.</b> Resilient Communities – Safer Streets	<ol> <li>That Cabinet note the update to the safer streets programme and further commits to develop strength-based approaches within the Council.</li> </ol>

	<ol><li>That Cabinet will receive an update on the Safer Streets initiative in six months.</li></ol>
<b>10.</b> Council Plan 2022-25 – Q3 23/24	<ol> <li>That Cabinet note the performance in Q3 relating to the period October – December 2023.</li> <li>That Cabinet note any key achievements, identified interdependencies and support required to achieve the Outcomes, set out in this report.</li> </ol>
<b>11.</b> Surveillance and Access to Communications Data	That Cabinet recommend to Council the approval of the Council's Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 ('RIPA') and the Investigatory Powers Act 2016 ('IPA') Corporate Policy and Procedures.
<b>12.</b> Contract Award – Multi-Functional Printing Devices, Production Printing Devices and Associated Software	The decision was taken in the private session following consideration of exempt information (see item 17).
<b>13.</b> Supply of Hired Compact Sweeper Contract	The decision was taken in the private session following consideration of exempt information (see item 18).
<b>14.</b> Extension of Contractual Arrangements for Local Healthwatch for Walsall under Reg 72 to allow for full design, tendering and implementation	<ol> <li>That Cabinet approve the extension of the existing contract with Engaging Communities Solutions CIC for a period of 10 months from 1st June 2024 to March 31, 2025, at a value of £158,708.</li> <li>That authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Adult Social Care, Public Health and the Hub in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care, to subsequently authorise the sealing of deeds and/or signing of contracts and any other related documents for the provision of such services as well as any variations to the contractual arrangements or other related documents should this be required throughout the duration of this contract.</li> </ol>
<b>15.</b> Recommendations from the Economy and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee regarding Fixed Penalty Notices and Enforcement Legislation	That Cabinet will work with and support the Local Government Association to lobby Government to increase the financial levels of fixed penalty notices for littering and fly tipping and strengthen enforcement legislation.

## Part II – Private session – public summary of decisions.

Item	Decision – Public Summary
<b>16.</b> Purchase of a Property in Pelsall for Operational Purposes	That Cabinet approve the acquisition of the freehold interest in a property in Pelsall and delegate the approval of the final terms of the acquisition to the Executive Director for Economy, Environment and Communities in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration on the proviso that:
	<ul> <li>a) the legal due diligence currently being undertaken by the council's lawyers demonstrates that the property presents a good and marketable title; and</li> </ul>
	b) the transaction represents a purchase at best value.
<b>17.</b> Contract Award – Multi-Functional Printing Devices, Production Printing Devices and Associated Software	<ol> <li>That Cabinet approves the award a 5-year contract, with an associated value in the region of £1.6 million, to Konica Minolta Business Solutions (UK) Ltd, for the leased supply of multifunctional printing devices, production printing devices and associated printing software.</li> </ol>
	2. That authority be delegated to the Executive Director Resources to enter into subsequent lease agreements which may be taken out under this contract and to subsequently authorise the sealing or signing of any associated contracts, deeds or other related documents.
	3. That authority be delegated to the Executive Director Resources to vary the contract/leases during the contractual period to ensure the Council continues to achieve value for money and the service continue to meet the corporate priorities.
<b>18.</b> Supply of Hired Compact Sweeper Contract	<ol> <li>That Cabinet award a contract for a period of three years from 18 November 2024 to 17 November 2027 to Dawsongroup with an anticipated contract value of £698,400 for the supply of compact sweepers.</li> </ol>
	2. That Cabinet approve the increase in cost of £75,589 to Clean and Green for five years inflation, however, this can be covered by the current revenue budget.
	<ol> <li>That authority be delegated to the Executive Director of Economy, Environment and Communities in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Clean and Green to subsequently authorise the sealing or signing of any associated contracts, or related documents.</li> </ol>
	4. That authority be delegated to the Executive Director of Economy and Environment to authorise any variations to the contractual arrangements or other related documents for such services should this be required throughout the

duration of the term of any contracts and provided they are in line with the Council's Contract Rules and any relevant legislation, including Public Contract Regulations 2015.
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