

CABINET

Meeting held on Monday 21 September 2015 at 6.30 p.m. in the Council Chamber, the Town Hall, Katharine Street, Croydon, CR0 1NX

DRAFT MINUTES - PART A

Present:

Councillor Tony Newman, Leader of the Council;
Councillor Alison Butler, Deputy Leader (Statutory);
Councillor Stuart Collins, Deputy Leader;
Councillors Kathy Bee, Alisa Flemming, Timothy Godfrey,
Simon Hall, Toni Letts, Mark Watson and Louisa Woodley.

Other Majority Group Members in attendance:

Councillors: Ali, Canning, Chowdhury, Fitzsimons, B. Khan,
S. Khan, King, Kyeremeh, Lewis, Mann, Prince, Rendle, Ryan,
Scott, Shahul-Hameed and Wood.

Shadow Cabinet Members in attendance:

Councillors Cummings, Gatland, Hale, M. Mead, Mohan, Perry,
T Pollard and Thomas.

Other Minority Group Members in attendance: Councillors
Bashford, Bird, Brew, Buttinger, Hopley and Neal.

Also present and speaking on agenda item 8:

Simon Cribbs, Chair Purley Business Association.

Absent: Cabinet: none

Apologies: Apologies for absence were received from Councillors
Dudley Mead and Steve O'Connell.

Note: *The meeting webcast can be accessed [here](#)*

A75/15 Part A Minutes of the Cabinet Meeting held on 13 July 2015

The Part A minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 13 July 2015 were received. The Leader of the Council signed the minutes as a correct record.

A76/15 Disclosures of Interest

There were no disclosures of interest.

A77/15 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.

A78/15 Exempt Items

RESOLVED that the allocation of business in the agenda be confirmed, as printed.

A79/15 Autumn Financial Statement

NOTED: that the Leader of the Council had delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

RESOLVED:

i) In the light of the financial pressures the Council is facing from Government Grants reductions and changes to policy as detailed in the report to endorse actions being taken with Central Government as part of the Fair Funding for Croydon initiative, and note the proposed local policy developments to help mitigate the impact on Croydon 's budgets.

ii) That the Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Resources and S151 Officer) in consultation with the Leader, Cabinet Member for Finance and Treasury and Chief Executive be given executive delegated authority to make decisions which are in the best interests of the Council to deal with government grant cuts in a timely, efficient and expedient manner.

iii) To approve the actions contained within this report to address the projected Revenue Outturn forecast for 2015/16 of £3.163m over budget and HRA position of a £2m underspend.

iv) To approve the virements as detailed in paragraph 5.1 of the report;

v) To agree that in relation to the significant impact of the proposed changes in social rent policy on the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) business plan further work is undertaken on proposals to reduce expenditure within the HRA whilst, as far as possible, minimising the impact on tenants, the housing stock and the supply of new homes;

vi) To recommend that the Leader gives executive delegated authority to the Executive Director Place in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Clean Green Croydon to undertake the relevant steps to finalise the review of the green garden waste service and introduce a green waste policy for the borough; and

vii) To recommend that the Leader gives executive delegated authority to the Executive Director Place in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment to undertake the

relevant steps to finalise the review of the current parking policy and introduce a revised more equitable parking policy for the Borough.

A80/15 Shaping the Future of Our Borough – Croydon Local Plan

Agenda Item 7.1) Strategic Policies – Partial Review (Preferred and Alternative Options) CLP1.1

NOTED: that the Leader of the Council had delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

RESOLVED:

1. To approve the publication of the Croydon Local Plan: Strategic Policies – Partial Review (Preferred Options and Alternatives) e-copy Appendices 1 and 2 for Regulation 18 (The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012) consultation; and
2. To delegate to the Executive Director of Place, in consultation with the Deputy Leader (Statutory) - Cabinet Member for Homes, Regeneration & Planning, the making of minor and / or factual amendments to the Croydon Local Plan: Strategic Policies – Partial Review (Preferred Options and Alternatives) prior to public consultation.

Agenda Item 7.2 Detailed Policies and Proposals (Preferred and Alternative Options) CLP2

NOTED: that the Leader of the Council had delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

RESOLVED:

1. To approve the publication of the draft Croydon Local Plan: Detailed Policies and Proposals (Preferred and Alternative Options) Appendices 1, 2 and 3 for Regulation 18 (The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012) consultation;
2. To approve the draft Council responses to the comments on the Croydon Local Plan: Detailed Policies (Preferred and Alternative Options) Appendix 5 made during the consultation in October 2013; and
3. To delegate to the Executive Director of Place, in consultation with Deputy Leader Statutory – Cabinet Member for Homes, Regeneration & Planning, the making of minor and factual amendments to the Croydon Local Plan: Detailed Policies and Proposals (Preferred and Alternative Options) prior to public consultation.

A81/15 District Centre Prosperity - Purley Business Improvement District (BID)

NOTED: that the Leader of the Council had delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

RESOLVED:

1.1 Having considered on behalf of the Council as a billing authority, whether the proposal conflicts with any formally adopted policy of the Council and concluding that it does not conflict with any formally adopted policy of the Council:

1.2 To agree that the Council should support the BID proposal and vote 'yes' on the BID ballot;

1.3 To determine and agree the baseline service provision for key services within the Purley BID area for 2016/17 on behalf of Cabinet;

1.4 To agree that the Council formally make arrangements for conducting a BID ballot in accordance with the BID regulations through the Council's electoral services team (with the ballot day scheduled for 18 November 2015);

1.5 To agree that in the event of a 'Yes' vote at ballot:

1.5.1 That the Council manage as the relevant local billing authority, the billing and collection of the additional levy, and its transfer to the BID Company, with all costs incurred by the Council to be paid by the BID Company;

1.5.2 That the Council meet the Council's obligations in paying the extra BID levy, as a non-domestic ratepayer in the BID area, in accordance with the BID regulations over the life of the BID;

1.5.3 That the Council enter into the key legal agreements with the BID Company regarding the operation of the BID and delivery of Council baselines and that the Executive Director – Place in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Economy and Jobs be given delegated authority to approve the final terms of those agreements.

A82/15 Investing in our District Centres - LIP (Local Implementation Plan) Funding 2016/17

NOTED: that the Leader of the Council had delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

RESOLVED:

to agree the Croydon Annual Spending Submission to TfL to release 2016/17 Local Implementation Plan (LIP) funding covering:

- 1.1 'Corridors, Neighbourhoods and Supporting Measures' funding proposals at Appendix A to the report:
 - 1.1.1 20 MPH limits and areas (£300,000)
 - 1.1.2 Further road safety initiatives (£565,000)
 - 1.1.3 Physical measures to enhance cycling (£120,000)
 - 1.1.4 Physical measures to enhance walking (£200,000)
 - 1.1.5 Public rights of way improvements to aid walking and cycling (£50,000)
 - 1.1.6 Planning, training and promotional measures to assist walking and cycling (£432,000)
 - 1.1.7 Public realm enhancement to support district centres (South Norwood) (£850,000)
 - 1.1.8 Bus stop accessibility and other local access improvements (£150,000)
 - 1.1.9 Parking (£30,000)
 - 1.1.10 Air Quality Management programme (£70,000)
 - 1.1.11 Electric Vehicle Charging and Car Clubs (£18,000)
- 1.2 Bids to TfL for:
 - 1.2.1 'Principal Road Maintenance' funding totalling £1.711m;
 - 1.2.2 'Bridge Assessment and Strengthening' funding proposals totalling £4.26m at Appendix B to the report.
- 2. That the Executive Director – Place be delegated authority to make any further amendments to the Annual Spending Submission in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment.

A83/15 Supporting Flexible Working in our Borough

NOTED: that the Leader of the Council had delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

RESOLVED to:

- 1. To endorse Croydon as a Flexible Working Borough and agree to the promotion of flexible working practices with the community, partners, contractors and employers in Croydon as set out in the proposed workstreams in the report; and
- 2. To agree that the Council seek Timewise accreditation as this is considered the most effective way of strengthening flexible working

opportunities in Croydon and would send a clear signal to residents of the Council's commitment to this.

A84/15 Developing an Independent Travel Offer and Service

NOTED: that the Leader of the Council had delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

RESOLVED to:

Work area 1: Developing an integrated travel service

1. Agree in principle the further development of an Integrated Travel Service and detailed scoping ahead of implementation in 2016/17.

Work area 2: Promoting and supporting independence and developing alternative travel options

2. Note plans to extend the options for travel assistance including offering personal travel budgets to children and families who access specialist nurseries, providing access to travel options outlined in the Travel Assistance Policy for 5-16 year olds.

3. Note the progress made in the use of Independent Travel Training and Personal Travel Budgets and agree the development and scoping of additional travel options for children and young people with SEND.

Work area 3: Route optimisation and reducing transport costs

4. Note the position on the procurement of SEND transport and route optimisation.

5. Note the decision to in-source part of the SEND travel service (transport for Priory school) as a comparator model to the contracted provision has been taken, which commenced from September 2015.

Work area 4: Travel Support Policy for Adult Social Care

6. Consider the Travel Support Policy for Adult Social Care Clients set out in Appendix 1 of the report, and approve the proposed consultation process detailed in the report.

7. Agree to delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for Families, Health and Social Care, in consultation with the Executive Director of People, to consider the consultation responses on the Adults' policy and determine the options to be enacted.

A85/15 Croydon Congress 26 November 2015 - Working with our Communities to tackle child sexual exploitation

NOTED: that the Leader of the Council had delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

RESOLVED to approve publication of the draft of the Annual Public Health Report for 2015 (Appendix 1 of the report).

A86/15 Investing in Our Borough

Agenda Item 13.1 Contracts to be awarded

NOTED: that the Leader of the Council had delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

RESOLVED to:

1. The contracts over £500,000 in value anticipated to be awarded by the nominated Cabinet Member, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Treasury or, where the nominated Cabinet Member is the Cabinet Member for Finance and Treasury, in consultation with the Leader;

2. The list of delegated award decisions made by the Director of Strategy Communities and Commissioning, between 12/06/2015 and 28/08/2015;

3. The list of decisions taken since the last meeting of Cabinet by the nominated Cabinet Member in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Treasury and either the Leader or the Deputy Leader (Statutory) under the Leaders delegated authority reference 50/15/LR.

Agenda Item 13.2 Planned Maintenance and Improvement General Building Works recommendation of award

NOTED: that the Leader of the Council had delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

RESOLVED to:

1. To agree that Bidder A (as detailed in the associated Part B report on the Agenda and recorded in Minute B2/15) be appointed to preferred bidder status to deliver General Building Works under a term partnering contract to Council homes (including additional housing managed or owned by the Council, and various school/social care buildings as appropriate) for an initial period of 5 years with options to extend further up to a maximum period of 14 years and upon the terms detailed within the report and the associated Part B report on the agenda;

2. Subject to completion of Section 20 Stage 2 Leaseholder consultation, to agree the subsequent award of the contract for the

provision of General Building Works, and its completion, to Bidder A subject to the Executive Director of Place in consultation with the Borough Solicitor having been satisfied that agreement of any outstanding non material matters has been achieved; and

3. To note that if the outcome of the Section 20 consultation makes it necessary, or if the Final Tender and agreement of any outstanding non material matters cannot be achieved with the Preferred Bidder, that the matter be brought back to Cabinet for further consideration, but that otherwise that the name of the successful bidder and price will be published further to resolution 2 above.

Agenda Item 13.3 Award of Contract – Main Construction Works Heathfield Academy

NOTED: that the Leader of the Council had delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

RESOLVED to:

1. Approve, subject to satisfactory finalisation of the contract value as detailed in 1.2 of the report, the award of a NEC3 Engineering and Construction contract to Mace Group for the main construction works to provide the 2FE Heathfield Primary Academy at the site known as 7 Aberdeen Road, South End to a maximum value of £8,327,115.00 plus a 5% risk and contingency allowance held by the Council of £416,356.00 to give a maximum contract sum of £8,743,471.00.

2. Agree that, for the reasons detailed in paragraph 3.6 of the report the Executive Director of Place, in consultation with the Executive Director of People, the Cabinet Member for Finance and Treasury and the Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Learning, be given delegated authority to conclude the final contract value within the maximum contract value detailed above.

3. Note that the final contract value will be included as part of the standard Contracts Report to the next meeting of Cabinet.

A87/15 Camera Resolution

The motion to move the camera resolution was proposed by Councillor Tony Newman and seconded by Councillor Simon Hall

RESOLVED under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information falling within those paragraphs indicated in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended.

A88/15 Part B minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 13 July 2015 (in camera - exempt under paragraph 3)

The Part B minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 13 July 2015 were received. The Leader of the Council signed the minutes as a correct record.

PART B MINUTES for agenda item B2 - Planned Maintenance and Improvement General Building Works – recommendation of award are provided separately and are exempt from public disclosure under paragraph 3 of Schedule 12a to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

The meeting ended at 8.30 pm.