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PUBLIC NOTICE OF KEY DECISIONS MADE AT THE CABINET MEETING ON MONDAY, 20 JANUARY 2020

This statement is produced in accordance with Regulation 12 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

In accordance with the Scrutiny and Overview Procedure Rules the following decisions may be implemented from **1300 hours on 28 January 2020** unless referred to the Scrutiny and Overview Committee (ie after 13.00 hours on the 6th working day following the day on which the decision was taken). The call-in procedure is appended to this notice.

The following apply to each decision listed below

Reasons for these decisions: As set out in the report
<https://democracy.croydon.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=183&MId=1879>

Other options considered and rejected: As set out in the report
<https://democracy.croydon.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=183&MId=1879>

Details of any consultation and representations received not included in the published report: None

Details of conflicts of Interest declared by any Cabinet Member: None

The Leader of the Council has delegated to Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

Agenda Item: 7 EDUCATION ESTATES STRATEGY

Key Decision No.: 0120CAB

Details of decision:

The Leader of the Council has delegated to Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

RESOLVED: To

School Admission

1. Agree to recommend to full Council that it determine the proposed Community schools' Admission Arrangements for the 2021/22 academic year (at Appendix 1 of the report);
2. Approve the continued adoption of the proposed Pan London scheme for co-ordination of admissions to Reception and Junior schools – at Appendix 1a of the report; and adoption of the proposed Pan London scheme for co-ordination of admissions to secondary schools – at Appendix 1b of the report.

School Place Planning

3. Approve the Capital Programme Budget summary (at appendix 2 of the report).

Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND)

4. Delegate decision-making to the Lead Member, Children, Young People and Learning, and the Executive Director of Children, Families and Education in relation to proposals to change in the age range of St Giles School to include a nursery provision and to provide a coherent pathway for children with PMLD and physical, sensory medical needs through the provision of St Giles School expertise across the pre-school and school age range.
5. Note the funding previously approved by Cabinet for Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD) Enhanced Learning Provision places from the 2019/20 programme has been deployed to improve facilities at Meridian (£100K) and £50K for Castle Hill to increase places and provide suitable facilities.
6. Approve the proposal to undertake quality assurance and feasibility studies of special schools Red Gates; St Giles and Priory Schools to enable options to be set out which address current issues of suitability, safeguarding risks and the capacity of these education facilities to meet the special educational needs of children and young people.

Mainstream / Community schools

7. Note that there are no proposed changes to the 3 year (2019/20 to 2021/22) School Place Supply Strategy agreed at Cabinet on 19th September 2019.

Early Years

8. Note the 2019 Childcare Sufficiency Assessment report – at Appendix 3 of the report.

Alternative Provision / Pupil Referral Unit (PRU)

9. Note the update on Alternative Provision / PRU.

School Maintenance and Compliance

10. Approve the proposed Schools' Maintenance Plan (Appendix 4) for 2020/21, and funding of £2m plus an additional £882,000 for 2020/21. This proposed additional £882,000 is to be slippage from the current budget to assist with the

additional maintenance work required to be undertaken due to the ageing of the educational estate; and

11. Delegate authority to the Executive Director, Children, Families and Education to vary the proposed Schools' Maintenance Plan to reflect actual prices and new urgent issues that may arise, including authorising spend against the allowance for emergency and reactive works. The Executive Director, Children, Families and Education shall report back to members in respect of any exercise of such authority.

**Agenda Item: 11 POLICY FOR COUNCIL COMMUNITY PROPERTIES,
RENT SUBSIDY AND RATE RELIEF FOR THE
VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY SECTOR**

Key Decision No.: **0220CAB**

Details of decision:

The Leader of the Council delegated authority to the Cabinet to make the following decisions:

RESOLVED: To

1. Adopt the policy for the allocation of council community properties to voluntary and community organisations and groups providing rent subsidy and discretionary rate relief set out at Appendix 3 of the report.
2. Agree that the provisions for the allocation of council community properties to voluntary and community organisations and groups is implemented from 1 April 2020.
3. Adopt the framework for setting market rents in council community properties to be effective from 1 April 2021.
4. Agree that the provisions for allocating rent subsidy to eligible voluntary and community organisations and groups renting community properties owned or leased by the Council are implemented from 1 April 2021.
5. Agree that the provisions for allocating discretionary relief from national non-domestic rates to voluntary and community organisations and groups are implemented from 1 April 2021.
6. Delegate authority to the Director of Policy and Partnership in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Safer Croydon & Communities to make the administrative preparations required to implement the policy adopted under resolution 1.
7. Note the proposal to review this policy in 2023.

Agenda Item: 14A TIMEBRIDGE COMMUNITY CENTRE AND FIELDWAY FAMILY CENTRE CONTRACT VARIATION

Key Decision No.: 3118ETR

Details of decision:

The Leader of the Council delegated authority to the Cabinet to make the following decisions:

RESOLVED: To approve the following contract variations to The McAvoy Group Ltd, in accordance with Regulation 30 of the Council's Tenders and Contracts Regulations and for the reasons detailed within the report:

1. The Timebridge and Community Centre Design and Construction contract variation for a new maximum contract value of £5,297,860. This new contract value includes a 5% contingency value of £302,896 and the new contract period of 18 months including 12 months defects liability period.
2. The design and contract of the permanent modular building contract variation for a new maximum contract value of £509,387 for the Fieldway Family Centre.

Signed: Council Solicitor and Monitoring Officer

Notice date: 21 January 2020

Contact Officers: Victoria.lower@croydon.gov.uk and Cliona.may@croydon.gov.uk

Scrutiny Referral/Call-in Procedure

1. The decisions may be implemented **1300 hours on 28 January 2020** (the 6th working day following the day on which the decision was taken) unless referred to the Scrutiny and Overview Committee.
2. The Council Solicitor shall refer the matter to the Scrutiny and Overview Committee if so requested by:-
 - i) the Chair or Deputy Chair of the Scrutiny and Overview Committee and 4 members of that Committee; or
 - ii) 20% of Council Members (14)
3. The referral shall be made on the approved pro-forma (*attached*) which should be submitted electronically or on paper to Victoria Lower by the deadline stated in this notice. Verification of signatures may be by individual e-mail, fax or by post. A decision may only be subject to the referral process once.
4. The Call-In referral shall be completed giving:
 - i) The grounds for the referral
 - ii) The outcome desired
 - iii) Information required to assist the Scrutiny and Overview Committee to consider the referral
 - iv) The date and the signatures of the Councillors requesting the Call-In
5. The decision taker and the relevant Chief Officer(s) shall be notified of the referral who shall suspend implementation of the decision.
6. The referral shall be considered at the next scheduled meeting of the Scrutiny & Overview Committee unless, in view of the Council Solicitor, this would cause undue delay. In such cases the Council Solicitor will consult with the decision taker and the Chair of Scrutiny and Overview to agree a date for an additional meeting. The Scrutiny & Overview Committee may only decide to consider a maximum of 3 referrals at any one meeting.
7. At the Scrutiny & Overview Committee meeting the referral will be considered by the Committee which shall determine how much time the Committee will give to the call in and how the item will be dealt with including whether or not it wishes to review the decision. If having considered the decision there are still concerns about the decision then the Committee may refer it back to the decision taker for reconsideration, setting out in writing the nature of the concerns.
8. The Scrutiny and Overview Committee may refer the decision to Full Council if it considers that the decision is outside of the budget and policy framework of the Council.
9. If the Scrutiny and Overview Committee decides that no further action is necessary then the decision may be implemented.

10. The Full Council may decide to take no further action in which case the decision may be implemented.
11. If the Council objects to the decision it can nullify the decision if it is outside of the policy framework and/or inconsistent with the budget.
12. If the decision is within the policy framework and consistent with the budget, the Council will refer any decision to which it objects together with its views on the decision. The decision taker shall choose whether to either amend / withdraw or implement the original decision within 10 working days or at the next meeting of the Cabinet of the referral from the Council.
13. The response shall be notified to all Members of the Scrutiny and Overview Committee
14. If either the Council or the Scrutiny and Overview Committee fails to meet in accordance with the Council calendar or in accordance with paragraph 6 above, then the decision may be implemented on the next working day after the meeting was scheduled or arranged to take place.
15. **URGENCY:** The referral procedure shall not apply in respect of urgent decisions. A decision will be urgent if any delay likely to be caused by the referral process would seriously prejudice the Council's or the public's interests. The record of the decision and the notice by which it is made public shall state if the decision is urgent and therefore not subject to the referral process.

Signed: Council Solicitor and Monitoring Officer

Notice Date: 21 January 2020

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PROFORMA

**REFERRAL OF A KEY DECISION TO THE
SCRUTINY AND OVERVIEW COMMITTEE**

For the attention of: Victoria Lower, Democratic Services & Scrutiny
e-mail to

Victoria.lower@croydon.gov.uk and cliona.may@croydon.gov.uk

Meeting:

Meeting Date:

Agenda Item No:

Reasons for referral:

- i) The decision is outside of the Policy Framework
- ii) The decision is inconsistent with the budget
- iii) The decision is inconsistent with another Council Policy
- iv) Other: Please specify:

The outcome desired:

**Information required to assist the Scrutiny and Overview Committee to consider
the referral:**

Signed:

Date:

Member of _____ Committee

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