

LONDON BOROUGH OF CROYDON
STATEMENT OF CABINET MEETING DECISIONS – 16 JULY 2018

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The following apply to each decision listed below:

Reasons for these decisions: are contained in the reports which can be downloaded on the Council's website
<https://democracy.croydon.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=183&MId=1547>

Other options considered and rejected: are contained in the reports which can be downloaded on the Council's website
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Details of conflicts of Interest declared by any Cabinet Member: none

Note of dispensation granted by the head of paid service in relation to a declared conflict of interest by that Member: none

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

Corporate Plan 2018/22

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

RESOLVED to:

Recommend to full Council the Approval of the Corporate Plan for Croydon, 2018 – 2022, as set out in Appendix A & B of the report.

Quarter 1 Financial Performance 2018/19

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

RESOLVED to:

1. Note the current revenue outturn forecast at the end of the first quarter of 2018/19 of £1.468m, this is before exceptional items of £1.131m, resulting in a total overspend of £2.599m;

2. Note the ongoing engagement with and lobbying of Government by the Council for additional funding for Croydon, both in general terms and specifically Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children given Croydon's gateway status, fire safety measures and mitigation of the impact of the Universal Credit implementation.
3. Note the HRA position of a £0.725m forecast underspend against budget;
4. Note the capital outturn projection of £466m, forecast to be an underspend of £37.9m against budget;
5. Approve the changes to the capital programme, as set out in paragraph 7.4 and Table 6.
6. Note the letter that was sent to Home Secretary, attached at appendix 3, requesting a review of our UASC funding rates for 2018/19.

Medium Term Financial Strategy 2018/22

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

RESOLVED that the Cabinet recommend to Full Council:

1. The approval of the Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) 2018/22 including the establishment of a £100m asset acquisition fund as referenced in the MTFS which is set out in Appendix 1 to this report.
2. Subject to recommendation 1.1 being approved, to agree that the Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources, acting in consultation with the Leader, be given authority to approve asset acquisitions made pursuant to the Asset Investment Strategy referenced in the Medium Term Financial Strategy 2018/22 and set out in full in Appendix 2 to this report.

Croydon's Partnership Early Help Strategy Update Report

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

RESOLVED to:

1. Note the progress made in development of Croydon's Partnership Early Help Strategy and proposed plan for implementation.
2. Endorse the Final Draft of the Partnership Early Help Strategy which will be considered for finalisation and agreement at the Croydon Safeguarding Children Board in September 2018.

Governance Review

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

RESOLVED that Cabinet recommends to the Council to –

1. Approve the establishment of a cross party governance review panel to assess and review the Council's governance arrangements as set out in the draft scoping document and terms of reference for the governance panel as set out in Appendix 1.
2. To appoint a maximum of 7 councillors (4 Labour 3 Conservative) and 1 independent member to the governance review panel (together with independent external chair and such other expert independent members external to the Council as the panel may wish to co-opt in a non-voting capacity).
3. To require the governance review panel to report its findings and make recommendations within the 2018/2019 municipal year on options and improvements to the Council's governance arrangements, and in any event to report on progress to the Cabinet and Council, as advised.

Care Leavers' Local Offer

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

RESOLVED to:

Approve the Offer and the Council's commitment to prioritising the needs of Care Leavers, and to note that the offer will be regularly updated and enhanced.

Stage 1: Recommendations arising from Scrutiny

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

RESOLVED to:

Receive the recommendations arising from Scrutiny and Overview Committee (10th July & 4th September 2018) to provide a substantive response within two months (ie. at the next available Cabinet meeting on 19 November 2018).

Stage 2: Response to recommendations arising from Streets, Environment & Homes Scrutiny Sub-Committee 20 March 2018 & 26 June 2018

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

RESOLVED to:

Approve the response and action plans attached to this report at Appendix A and that these be reported to the Scrutiny and Overview Committee or relevant Sub-Committees.

Investing in our Borough

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

RESOLVED to:

The Cabinet is requested to note:

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 Resources or, where the nominated Cabinet Member is the Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources, in consultation with the Leader.
2. The list of delegated award decisions made by the Director of Commissioning and Procurement, between 02/06/2018 – 08/08/2018.
3. The list of delegated award decisions for contracts over £500,000 in value and procurement strategies over £5,000,000 in value made by the nominated Cabinet Member in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources or, where the nominated Cabinet Member is the Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources in consultation with the Leader since the last meeting of Cabinet.
4. Property acquisitions and disposals agreed by the Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources in consultation with the Leader since the last meeting of Cabinet.
5. The Cabinet recommends to the Leader of the Council that prior to the next meeting of Cabinet in October, the Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources in consultation with the Leader, be authorised to agree the award in respect of the contracts related to the Good to Great ICT transformation programme in line with the strategy approved by Cabinet on 20th November 2017 (reference: 91/17 Investing in our Borough c. ICT sourcing strategy) for the reasons set out in para 4.5 and 4.6. Note that any awards made under this delegation will be notified in the standard contracts report to the next meeting of Cabinet.