

LONDON BOROUGH OF CROYDON

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STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISIONS MADE BY THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR IN CABINET ON 28 JUNE 2023

This statement is produced in accordance with Regulation 12 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012. Further to the associated public notice of Key Decisions no scrutiny call-in has been received, and therefore the following decisions can be implemented.

The following apply to the decisions listed below:

Reasons for these decisions:

<https://democracy.croydon.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=183&MId=3572>

Other options considered and rejected:

<https://democracy.croydon.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=183&MId=3572>

Details of Conflicts of Interest declared by the Decision Maker: None

Note of dispensation granted by the head of paid service in relation to a declared conflict of interest by that Decision Maker: None

The Executive Mayor has made the executive decisions noted out below:

Key Decision no.: 3023EM

**Decision Title: CROYDON SEND LOCAL AREA AND ALTERNATIVE
PROVISION STRATEGY 2023 - 2026**

Details of decision:

Having carefully read and considered the Part A report, and the requirements of the Council's public sector duty in relation to the issues detailed in the body of the reports, the Executive Mayor in Cabinet

RESOLVED:

To approve the Croydon, SEND Local Area Strategy 2023-26 for children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) and those accessing alternative provisions (AP) and to agree to receive an annual update report on progress against the strategy.

Key Decision no.: N/A

Decision Title: STAGE 1: RECOMMENDATIONS ARISING FROM SCRUTINY

Details of decision:

Having carefully read and considered the Part A report, and the requirements of the Council's public sector duty in relation to the issues detailed in the body of the reports, the Executive Mayor in Cabinet

RESOLVED:

- 1.1. Receive the recommendation arising from the meeting of the Scrutiny & Overview Committee held on 22 May 2023 (Appendix 1), 6 June 2023 (Appendix 2) and the Streets & Environment Sub-Committee on 14 March 2023 (Appendix 3).
- 1.2. To provide a substantive response to the recommendation (a Scrutiny Stage 2 Report) at the Cabinet meeting on 27 September 2023.

Key Decision no.: 0223EM

Decision Title: FUTURE OPTIONS FOR MAINTAINED NURSERY SCHOOLS

Details of decision:

Having carefully read and considered the Part A report, and the requirements of the Council's public sector duty in relation to the issues detailed in the body of the reports, the Executive Mayor in Cabinet

RESOLVED:

- 1.1. To agree to a formal consultation and publication of statutory notice on the proposed option: to agree to reduce the number of MNS within the borough via closure or amalgamation. This will give partners, residents, including the wider school communities and public the opportunity to comment on the proposed options.
- 1.2. To note the potential risks and benefits associated with this option
- 1.3. To note that the responses to the consultation will be presented in a report to the Mayor in cabinet later this year, so that a determination on this option can be made by the council.

Key Decision no.: N/A

Decision Title: 2023-24 PERIOD 1 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

Details of decision:

Having carefully read and considered the Part A report, and the requirements of the Council's public sector duty in relation to the issues detailed in the body of the reports, the Executive Mayor in Cabinet

RESOLVED:

- 1.1. To note the General Fund revenue budget risks as detailed in the directorate sections of the report
- 1.2. To note the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) revenue budget risks as detailed in the report
- 1.3. To note the Council's historic legacy borrowing and debt burden continues to be critical to the sustainability of the Council's revenue budget. Dialogue with the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) continues, and the Council is seeking further financial support from Government in regards to its level of indebtedness and balancing the budget to ensure it can deliver sustainable local government services.
- 1.4. To note that the Council continues to operate Spend Control Panels to ensure that tight financial control and assurance oversight are maintained.
- 1.5. To note the work that has commenced on the Council's Transformation Programme as set out from paragraph 4.43.

Key Decision no.: 3123EM

Decision Title: JOINT CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE AND HOUSING PROTOCOL FOR CARE EXPERIENCED YOUNG PEOPLE

Details of decision:

Having carefully read and considered the Part A report, and the requirements of the Council's public sector duty in relation to the issues detailed in the body of the reports, the Executive Mayor in Cabinet

RESOLVED:

- 1.1. To approve Croydon's Joint Children's Social Care and Housing Protocol for Care Experienced Young People which underpins a new way of working to improve outcomes for young people.

- 1.2. To note that the effectiveness of the new arrangements and measures of success will be reported through the Corporate Parenting Board and existing directorate performance management frameworks to ensure decisive actions are taken to address any issues.

Key Decision no.: N/A

Decision Title: GENDER, ETHNICITY AND DISABILITY PAY GAP REPORT 2022

Details of decision:

Having carefully read and considered the Part A report, and the requirements of the Council's public sector duty in relation to the issues detailed in the body of the reports, the Executive Mayor in Cabinet

RESOLVED:

- 1.1. To note the gender, ethnicity and disability pay gap reports (Appendix A, B and C)
- 1.2. To approve the action plans as detailed in the gender, ethnicity and disability pay gap reports (Appendix A, B and C) to reduce pay gaps within the council.
- 1.3. To approve the publication of the disability and ethnicity pay gap reports on the Council's website - as good practice to support openness and accountability - alongside the already published gender pay gap figures (which are legally required).

Key Decision no.: N/A

Decision Title: QUARTERLY PROCUREMENT PLAN UPDATE

Details of decision:

Having carefully read and considered the Part A report, and the requirements of the Council's public sector duty in relation to the issues detailed in the body of the reports, the Executive Mayor in Cabinet

RESOLVED:

- 1.1. To approve the revised Annual Procurement Plan for 2023/24 as set out in Appendix A.
- 1.2. To approve the delegated decisions in the revised APP to those Lead Members or Officers as stated in Appendix A that includes the procurement strategy and award decisions, the duration of the contracts and contract values.

- 1.3. The delegated decisions shall only be exercised following recommendations from the Contracts & Commissioning Board, which include approval from both the Lead Cabinet Member and the Cabinet Member for Finance.
- 1.4. To allow for minor changes to proceed whilst retaining the agreed delegated so long as none of the following thresholds for changes are exceeded:
 - i. Contract value exceeds that proposed in the APP/Quarterly Update Report, by the lesser of £500K or 25%, or the new aggregate value exceeds £1m and it becomes a key decision
 - ii. Substantial / material changes to procurement from that defined in the APP/Quarterly Update Report e.g. material risks are identified

(Should either of those thresholds be exceeded, the delegation cannot be exercised, and the decision shall be recommended to the Executive Mayor, unless a further delegation is approved. Where a delegated decision is a Key Decision to Officers, it must be made in consultation with the Lead Cabinet Member).

Signed: Monitoring Officer

Notice date: 06 July 2023