

Cabinet

Meeting of held on Wednesday, 18 October 2017 at 6.30 pm in Council Chamber, Town Hall, Katharine Street, Croydon CR0 1NX

MINUTES

- Present:** Councillor Tony Newman (Chair);
- Councillors Alison Butler (Vice-Chair), Stuart Collins, Alisa Flemming, Hamida Ali, Timothy Godfrey, Simon Hall, Stuart King, Mark Watson and Louisa Woodley
- Also Present:** Councillors Manju Shahul-Hameed, Maria Gatland, Lynne Hale, Yvette Hopley, Jason Perry, Robert Canning, Sherwan Chowdhury, Patsy Cummings, Humayun Kabir, Bernadette Khan, Shafi Khan, Oliver Lewis, Maggie Mansell, Andrew Rendle, Pat Ryan, Paul Scott, Wayne Trakas-Lawlor, John Wentworth, Callton Young and Margaret Bird
- Apologies:** Councillor Alisa Flemming for lateness.
Councillor Tim Pollard for absence.

PART A

- 69/17 **Minutes of the previous meeting**
- The part A minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 18 September 2017 were received. The Leader of the Council signed the minutes as an accurate record.
- 70/17 **Disclosure of Interests**
- There were none.
- 71/17 **Urgent Business (If any)**
- There were no items of urgent business.
- 72/17 **Youth Engagement Strategy and Championing Children in Croydon**
- A group of 5 young people who took part in the Youth Congress, Youth Forum and Youth Cabinet spoke during this item.
- The Leader of the Council has delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the executive decisions set out below:

RESOLVED to

1. Agree to the proposals set out in the report; and
2. Note that there are additional financial resources required in order to fully implement the recommendations made.

73/17

Annual Report of the Director of Public Health 2017

Rachel Flowers, the Director of Public Health, provided a presentation which can viewed on the meeting webcast.

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RESOLVED

to note the information and recommendations outlined in the draft of the Annual Director of Public Health Report due to be published by December 2017 (Appendix 1 to the report) and to arrange for publication thereof under the provisions of the National Health Service Act 2006, as amended.

74/17

Delivering New School Places

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

RESOLVED

School Place Planning

1.1 to agree Croydon's School Place Supply Strategy (tables 1, 2 & 3) for the next 3 academic years – 2017/18 to 2019/20 - and the funding (where applicable) to deliver these additional places. The funding is set out in Appendix 1 of the report.

1.2 to note that following Croydon's successful bid to the Department for Education to deliver a new free special school, and that we will be inviting expressions of interest until midday on 24 November 2017

School Maintenance

1.3 to approve the proposed two year Schools' Maintenance Plan for 2017/18 and 2018/19, attached in Appendix 2 of the report.

1.4 to agree that this Plan will be reviewed annually.

School Admissions

1.5 to agree that consultation on the published admission arrangements for community schools, including the proposed temporary reduction in published admission numbers for the 2019/20 academic year take place between 30 October and 11 December 2017.

75/17

New Addington Business Improvement District (BID) Renewal

Helen Mason, Business Adviser for New Addington BID, and Ken Burgess, Chair of Central Parade Partnership and New Addington BID, attended the meeting and spoke during this agenda item.

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

RESOLVED to

1. Agree that, during the period September 2017 - February 2018, and on receipt of a BID proposal for the renewal of the New Addington BID, the Cabinet Member for Economy and Jobs in consultation with the Executive Director for Place be given delegated authority to:

1.1 Consider on behalf of the Council as billing authority, whether the proposal conflicts with any formally adopted policy of the Council, and, if it does, give notice of this in accordance with the BID regulations;

1.2 Determine whether the Council should support the New Addington BID proposal and if so, to vote yes on its behalf in the BID ballot. If a 'no' vote is proposed, this will be referred to Cabinet for further consideration;

1.3 Formally manage the ballot process in accordance with the BID regulations;

1.4 That subject to a 'yes' vote at ballot by the relevant business community for the New Addington BID in question, the Council as relevant local billing authority will manage the billing and collection of the additional levy, and it's transfer to the BID company. In the event of a 'no' vote, that the costs of the ballot be recovered from the BID Company as per the BID regulations;

1.5 Enter into key operating agreements with the New Addington BID company regarding the operation of the BID and delivery of Council requirements and baselines.

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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 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 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 Commissioning and Improvement, between 17/08/2017 – 13/09/2017.
3. Contract awards recommended to the Cabinet for approval which are the subject of a separate agenda item and referenced in section 4.3 of the report.
4. 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, under the Leaders specific delegated authority for those contract awards

77/17

Provision of Legal Services - Appointment of Preferred Bidder

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

RESOLVED to

1. Agree the appointment of the party named in the Part B report (agenda item 11) as the Preferred Bidder for the delivery of legal services to the Council for a period of five years from 1st January 2018 with options to extend for up to an additional two years and with an estimated maximum value of £17,500,000 over a seven year period;
2. Agree that subject to 'fine tuning' discussions of the Preferred Bidder's tender being resolved to the satisfaction of the Council, and provided there shall be no material alteration to either the scope of the tender or matters set out in this report, authority to conclude the final contract be delegated to the Director of Law in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Treasury.

78/17

Exclusion of the Press and Public

The following motion was moved by Councillor Tony Newman and seconded by Councillor Simon Hall to exclude the press and public:

“That, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items 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.”

The motion was put and it was agreed by the Committee to exclude the press and public for the remainder of the meeting.

Provision of Legal Services - Appointment of Preferred Bidder

(Exempt under Paragraph 3)

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RESOLVED to

1. Agree the appointment of Browne Jacobson LLP as the Preferred Bidder for the delivery of legal services to the Council for a period of five years from 1st January 2018 with options to extend for up to an additional two years and with an estimated maximum value of £17,500,000 over a seven year period;
2. Agree that subject to 'fine tuning' discussions of the Preferred Bidder's tender being resolved to the satisfaction of the Council, and provided there shall be no material alteration to either the scope of the tender or matters set out in this report, authority to conclude the final contract be delegated to the Director of Law in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Treasury.

The meeting ended at 8.06 pm