

## **EXECUTIVE**

**19 SEPTEMBER 2016**

## **PRESENT**

Leader of the Council (Councillor Sean Anstee) (in the Chair),  
Executive Member for Children's Services (Councillor M. Hyman),  
Executive Member for Economic Growth, Environment and Infrastructure  
(Councillor John Reilly),  
Executive Member for Finance (Councillor P. Myers),  
Executive Member for Transformation and Resources (Councillor Mrs. L. Evans).

Also present: Councillors Adshead, Stephen Anstee, Blackburn, Bowker, Butt, Cordingley, Cornes, Freeman, Ross, Shaw, Taylor, Whetton and M. Young.

### In attendance:

Deputy Chief Executive (Ms. H. Jones),  
Corporate Director, Resources (Ms. J. Hyde),  
Interim Corporate Director, Children, Families and Wellbeing (Ms. J. Colbert),  
Director of Legal and Democratic Services (Ms. J. Le Fevre),  
Chief Finance Officer (Ms. N. Bishop),  
Democratic and Scrutiny Officer (Mr. J.M.J. Maloney).

## **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J. Lamb and A. Williams;  
and from the Chief Executive.

## **26. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations were made by Executive Members.

## **27. MINUTES**

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Special Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2016, and of the Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2016, be approved as correct records.

## **28. MATTERS FROM COUNCIL OR OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES (IF ANY)**

There were no issues to be reported to the current meeting.

## **29. TRAFFORD COUNCIL EFFICIENCY PLAN FOR THE FINANCIAL YEARS 2016/17 TO 2019/20**

The Executive Member for Finance and Chief Finance Officer submitted a report setting out details of the requirement, in order for the Council to accept an offer from DCLG of a four-year funding settlement covering 2016/7 to 2019/2, to produce and publish an Efficiency Plan by 14<sup>th</sup> October 2016. In discussion it was confirmed that the Executive understood that the undertaking of the previous Secretary of State, that funding levels would not be any lower than those now set out, would be maintained.

RESOLVED -

- (1) That the publication of the Council's Efficiency Plan (attached as Appendix A to the report) be approved.
- (2) That the 4 year funding settlement for the period 2016/17 to 2019/20 as set out in paragraph 1.4 to the report be accepted.
- (3) That the increased flexibility in the use of capital receipts described in section 2 of the report be noted.

## **30. COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT SCHEME FOR 2017/18 - PROPOSED CHANGES TO ALIGN WITH NATIONAL BENEFITS**

The Executive Member for Finance and Chief Finance Officer submitted a report summarising the current Council Tax Support Scheme and proposing changes for public consultation which would align the scheme to national benefits and then follow welfare reform changes. It was noted that the currently estimated figures for those affected would be supplemented by actual figures in due course.

RESOLVED - That the Executive agree to the Council consulting with the public on aligning the Council Tax Support scheme with national benefits regulations.

## **31. BUDGET MONITORING 2016/17 - PERIOD 4 (APRIL TO JULY 2016)**

The Executive Member for Finance and Chief Finance Officer submitted a report which informed Members of the current 2016/17 forecast outturn figures relating to both Revenue and Capital budgets. It also summarised the latest forecast position for Council Tax and Business Rates within the Collection Fund. An opportunity was provided for Members to raise questions in relation to the report's content; and in discussion it was noted that further information would be circulated to Members both in relation to the Fairer Funding consultation and to Greater Manchester proposals in relation to the Metrolink extension.

RESOLVED - That the report and the changes to the Capital Programme as detailed in Paragraph 17 be noted.

*Executive (19.9.16)***32. ANNUAL DELIVERY PLAN 2016/17 FIRST QUARTER PERFORMANCE REPORT**

The Executive Member for Transformation and Resources submitted a report providing a summary of performance against the Council's Annual Delivery Plan 2016/17, covering the period between April and June 2016. A supplementary paper updating the exception report in relation to housing units and planning consents had also been circulated for Members' information. An opportunity was provided for Members to raise queries regarding the report's content; these centred on the percentage of young people not in education, employment or training (NEET); and it was noted that further updates on this measure would be provided in due course.

RESOLVED – That the content of the performance report be noted.

**33. AGMA COMBINED AUTHORITY / EXECUTIVE BOARD: FORWARD PLANS AND DECISIONS**

The Executive received for information details of the GMCA and Joint GMCA / AGMA Forward Plans covering the period September to December 2016, and of decisions taken by the GMCA and by the GMCA / AGMA jointly on 29<sup>th</sup> July and 26<sup>th</sup> August 2016 respectively.

RESOLVED – That the content of the Forward Plans and of the decision summaries be noted.

The meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and finished at 6.59 p.m.