

TRAFFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

<u>DATE OF DECISION</u>	Wednesday, 25 March 2015	<u>DECISION MAKER</u>
<u>DECISION REFERENCE</u>	E/25.3.15/4&12	Executive (Councillors Anstee, Cornes, Hyman, Lamb, Myers, John Reilly, Williams and M. Young)

RECORD OF THE DECISION

RESHAPING TRAFFORD: ECONOMIC GROWTH AND ENVIRONMENT INFRASTRUCTURE

1. That approval be granted to proceed to the contract award stage for the procurement of Environmental, Highways, Professional, Technical and Infrastructure Services.
2. That approval be granted:
 - a. To proceed to the contract award stage for street lighting maintenance including the replacement of existing street lighting luminaires with LED luminaires;
 - b. That “neutral” and “warm” LED luminaires be used for the street lights, as set out in paragraph 6.1.11 of the Part II report;
 - c. That a Central Management System is installed as part of the replacement programme.
3. That authority be delegated to the Deputy Chief Executive in consultation with the Director of Legal and Democratic Services to finalise contract terms and enter into the contract with the preferred bidder(s) for each Lot as identified in paragraph 5.6 in the Part II report (agenda item 12).

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The reasons for the decision are as set out in the report and included the fact that bids received have demonstrated the ability of the preferred bidder to meet the high level outcomes set by the Executive. The recommendations will enable officers to proceed to award the contract for the delivery of services as set out in paragraph 2.2. Furthermore, the replacement of street lights with LED luminaires will provide significant financial savings to the authority through reduced energy costs, and will reduce CO2 emissions. The proposed use of neutral and warm light luminaires meets the objectives set in the Council’s Street Lighting Strategy, and provides the best mix of light type and energy reduction..

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS

The alternative options were originally set out in the March 2014 Executive report and detailed further in section 13 of the current report: do nothing; bring in house; or collaboration with other Local Authorities.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION

None

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RECORD OF THE DECISION

OUTCOME OF THE LIBRARIES BUDGET CONSULTATION FOR 2015/16 AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1) That the contents of the report be noted.
- 2) That approval be given to the recommendations as set out below, having regard to the public sector equality duty (outlined at section 4 of the report):
 - (a) **Woodsend Library** - Increasing the use of technology at libraries; specifically Open + technology at Woodsend Library and as a consideration in other Libraries subject to redevelopment.
 - (b) **Coppice Library** - that the Council partner with other organisations and community groups to continue to provide access to library services at Coppice Library, specifically blueSCI.
 - (c) **Timperley Library** – that the Council proceeds with further discussions in respect of the proposal for the sale of the land to Park Medical Practice and the redevelopment of the site to include a community focussed facility comprising a new medical centre linked to a new library and residential apartments.

To reduce the staffing assignment as appropriate and:

That, if appropriate, the Director of Legal and Democratic Services in consultation with the Deputy Chief Executive be authorised to prepare, finalise and enter into all legal agreements and documentation required to implement the proposed sale and redevelopment of Timperley Library, including the Baker Street car park, to Park Medical Practice.

- (d) **Hale Library** – that the Council proceeds to invite formal tenders in relation to the provision of a library in Hale (together with redevelopment of the former library site) from the bidders who have previously expressed an interest on an informal basis, as set out in paragraph 3.5.5 of the report.

That following receipt of the formal tenders, a report should be prepared to evaluate the proposals for the provision of a library in Hale (together with redevelopment of the former library site).

That the decision to approve the successful bidder following the evaluation of the proposals for the provision of a library in Hale (together with redevelopment of the former library site) be delegated to the Executive Member for Transformation and Resources.

That the Director of Legal and Democratic Services in consultation with the Deputy Chief Executive be authorised to prepare, finalise and enter into all legal agreements and documentation required to implement the proposed sale and redevelopment of Hale Library.

- (e) **Staff reduction** – Implement back office staff reductions as set out in paragraph 2.7 and 3.6

of the report.

- (f) **Book fund** - that the book fund is reduced by £105k.
- (g) **Income generation** - that further areas of opportunity for income generation are explored and implemented where considered appropriate.
- (h) **Bowfell and Davyhulme Libraries** – that Bowfell and Davyhulme Libraries close.
- (i) **Lostock Library** - to maintain a library for the pupils of Lostock College, which will allow continued access to the library and its resources by the community as set out in paragraph 3.8.4 of the report and that the detail of this is developed.
- (j) **Delamere Toy Library** - that the funding for two part-time staff is withdrawn.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The reasons are as set out in the report.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS

The options considered were as set out in the report.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION

Councillor Williams, as a resident of Hale, declared a personal Interest in Proposal 4 regarding Hale Library.

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RECORD OF THE DECISION

Fair Price For Care: Residential and Nursing Care

That approval be given to a 0% inflationary uplift for the Residential and Nursing Care market for 2015-16 for the reasons set out in the report.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The recommendation is made based on balancing the cost pressures on the market against the mitigation identified. It is proposed also after considering the relevant factors including those identified in this report, summarised at section 6, and engaging with providers. Any decision on affordability needs to be set in the context of Council wide budget reductions of £21.5million for 2015-16. The £14.6million spent on residential provision equates to approximately 30% of the Adult Social Care budget and therefore affordability is a critical issue.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS

The providers who engaged in the process requested a 10.1% inflationary uplift. The Council, having carefully balanced all the factors, do not believe that is affordable or justified given the issues raised in the report. The calculation set out in Appendix 1 identifies Trafford Council's projection of a 'fair price of care' at £422.27 compared to the proposed Trafford basic rate for residential care of £402.71 (see chart in Section 4.1). We do not believe this gap is unreasonable when balanced against affordability issues in the context of the Council's budget reductions of £21.5million in 2015-16. Benchmarking against Greater Manchester Authorities also shows we are amongst the highest funders in the area. An inflationary increase of up to 3% was considered during the budget setting process in the context of supporting the market balanced against the Council's financial position. Due to the issues identified in the report and the impact in terms of additional financial pressure on Council budget this option is not recommended.

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RECORD OF THE DECISION

Fair Price For Care: Homecare

That approval be given to a 1% inflationary uplift for the Home Care market for 2015-16 for the reasons set out in the report.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The recommendation for an inflationary uplift of 1% is made based on balancing the cost pressures on the market against the mitigation identified, and summarised in section 5 of the report. Any decision on affordability needs to be set in the context of Council wide budget reductions of £21.5million for 2015-16.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS

The providers who engaged in the process requested a 23% inflationary uplift to a rate of £15.74. We do not believe that is affordable or justified given the balance of costs and mitigation set out in this report. An inflationary increase of up to 3% was considered during the budget setting process in the context of supporting the market balanced against the Council's financial position. Due to the mitigation set out in this report and the impact in terms of additional financial pressure on Council budgets this option is not recommended.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION

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RECORD OF THE DECISION

GREATER MANCHESTER SPATIAL FRAMEWORK JOINT DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT

1. That the decision be noted of the AGMA Executive Board (Joint Committee) to produce a Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF), covering housing and employment land requirements and associated infrastructure.
2. That it be recommended to the Council that it delegates responsibility for all stages in the production of the GMSFDPD, other than publication/submission and adoption (which will remain the responsibility of each individual GM Council), to the AGMA Executive Board (Joint Committee).
3. That a delay be agreed in the production of the LAP until such time that the production of the GMSF is further advanced together with an amendment to the Trafford Local Development Scheme (LDS) indicating this.
4. That it be agreed that the proposed amendment of the LDS include reference to the production of the GMSFDPD (as set out in Appendix A to the report).

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

To enable the AGMA Executive Board (Joint Committee) to proceed with the preparation of the draft GMSF DPD up to the point of publication and submission to DCLG.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS

The following alternative options have been considered, of which further details are set out in the report: Continue work on the Trafford Local Plan: Land Allocations based on the targets established within the Trafford Local Plan: Core Strategy alongside the preparation of the GMSF; carry out a review of the Trafford Local Plan outside, and separate to, the framework of the GMSF; and support the preparation of the GMSF as an informal planning document.

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RECORD OF THE DECISION

GM DEVOLUTION - MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

1. That the report considered and agreed at the joint GMCA and AGMA Executive Board meeting on 27th February 2015, and attached to the report as Appendix A, be noted.
2. That agreement and endorsement be given to the MOU signed by representatives of AGMA, GM CCGs and NHS England, and that it be recognised that it is an important and significant step in the development of a new collaborative partnership for health and social care in Greater Manchester.
3. That the Chief Executive be authorised to bring a report to the Executive in June 2015 setting out how the authority will meet the locality requirements of the MOU.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The reasons are set out in in the report.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS

The options considered are as set out in the report.

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RECORD OF THE DECISION

OLD TRAFFORD LODGE HOTEL REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE

1. That approval be given to a loan of £4m to Lancashire County Cricket Club for its planned redevelopment.
2. That authority be delegated to the Director of Legal and Democratic Services in conjunction with the Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Finance to agree and complete all documentation.
3. That Council be requested to approve:
 - a. the addition of £4m to the Capital Programme in 2015/17 by way of prudential borrowing;
 - b. the updated prudential indicators as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report.
4. That this decision be deemed to be urgent and therefore not subject to call-in.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The new proposals at LCCC would complete the redevelopment at the cricket club and provide significant benefits in terms of economic regeneration and additional local jobs.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS

Alternative funding sources have been considered by LCCC and these are detailed in the report. The Council could decide not to approve the loan support but this would mean the conditional funding approved by the Combined Authority would be withdrawn, putting the overall development at risk.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION

None

Scrutiny Call in Deadline

Not applicable. GMCA has agreed to provide a further loan but it is conditional on Trafford Council agreeing its loan; GMCA must commit its funding by 31 March 2015. This decision is therefore urgent and not subject to call-in.

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RECORD OF THE DECISION

GREATER MANCHESTER DEVOLUTION: HOUSING INVESTMENT FUND

1. That the proposal to enter into a Deed of Indemnity on the terms set out in the report be approved.
2. That the Director of Legal and Democratic Services be authorised to complete the necessary documentation.
3. That it be agreed that the decision is urgent and not subject to call-in.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

To enable the establishment of the proposed Greater Manchester Housing Investment Fund and to give effect to the decision of the Greater Manchester Combined Authority of 27 February 2015.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS

The Council could decide not to provide an indemnity this would impact on the viability of the scheme. It would also be likely to mean that Trafford housing associations would not be able to apply for funding from the scheme if established.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION

None

Scrutiny Call in Deadline

Not applicable. Because all GM district councils have been asked to provide an indemnity before the end of March to allow the Fund to become operational on 1st April 2015, this decision is urgent and not subject to call-in.

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