

TRAFFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

<u>DATE OF DECISION</u>	19 March 2018	<u>DECISION MAKER</u>
<u>DECISION REFERENCE</u>	E/19.3.18/4a	Executive (Councillors Sean Anstee, Stephen Anstee, L. Evans, Hopps, Lamb, Myers, Shaw and Whetton)
<u>RECORD OF THE DECISION</u>		
<u>Scrutiny Committee Task and Finish Group Review of the Council's Scrutiny Function</u>		
1. That the content of the report be noted.		
2. That a full response be made to the Scrutiny Committee in due course.		
<u>REASONS FOR THE DECISION</u>		
To provide for a formal response to be made to the Scrutiny Committee Task & Finish Group Review of the Council's Scrutiny Function.		
<u>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS</u>		
None – the Executive is required to respond to formal recommendations by Scrutiny Committee.		
<u>CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION</u>		
None.		

Scrutiny Call in Deadline

Not applicable. The purpose of this decision is to provide for a formal response to be made to Scrutiny; so call-in is not appropriate.

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RECORD OF THE DECISION

STRATEGIC LAND REVIEW PROGRAMME

1. That the outcome of the 2017/18 Land Sales Programme be noted.
2. That the Strategic Land Review Programme for 2018/19 as set out in the report be approved.
3. That it be approved that the Council pursue direct development of sites, subject to a suitable options appraisal and business cases on a site by site basis.
4. That authority be delegated to the Corporate Director, EGEI to:
 - a. negotiate and accept bids.
 - b. engage external resources where this will assist in implementing the programme.
 - c. Commission, submit and/or authorise as appropriate:
 - i. any applications for planning permission on any properties included in the programme where this will assist in marketing and /or add value.
 - ii. commission as necessary any surveys / investigations where such surveys will reduce the risks associated with redevelopment and/or add value to the capital receipt /revenue return.
 - iii. Any design for the site and or premises in association with either obtaining a planning consent or as part of options in respect to either direct or development in partnership.
 - iii. Any demolitions or physical alterations this will either reduce the risks associated with holding the premise or accelerate the redevelopment and/or add value to the capital receipt /revenue return.
 - d. offset eligible disposal costs against capital receipts in accordance with capital regulations
 - e. advertise the intention to dispose of a site in the event that it comprises open space as defined by the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, in accordance with the relevant statutory procedure, and if any objections are received, to refer to the relevant portfolio holder for consideration in consultation with the Executive Member for Highways, Parks and Environmental Services.
 - f. To acquire adjacent land or property where the acquisition will either add value to the overall development or derisk the disposal /development of the Council asset.
 - g.
 - i) add to or substitute sites into the programme during the year.
 - ii) commission security services.
 - iii) authorise alternative methods of disposal where appropriate.
5. That the Director of Legal and Democratic Services in consultation with the Corporate Director, EGEI and where appropriate, the Chief Finance Officer be authorised to finalise and enter into all legal agreements required to implement the above decisions.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The sale and or development of surplus assets reduces the Council's overall expenditure and backlog maintenance, generates capital receipts to support the capital programme, assists regeneration and facilitates residential development. There is a need to undertake a range of procedures to ensure that the best consideration for the sale is achieved including full exposure to the market and a transparent audit trail.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS

Retention of surplus property would have consequences for the resourcing of the Capital Programme, impact on revenue savings and the delivery of a range of Council objectives. As set out above, alternative options are considered for each site before they are added to the Strategic Land Review Programme.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION

None.

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<u>RECORD OF THE DECISION</u>		
<u>HIGHWAYS CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2018/19</u>		
<p>1. That the allocation of the approved highways programme as set out in the appendices to the report be approved.</p> <p>2. That approval be given to the addition of £17m additional expenditure, including £5.9m in 2018/19. A further investment of £5.5m and £5.6m in 2019/20 and 2020/21 respectively, subject to resource availability, to be assessed as part of the budget setting process for 2019/20.</p> <p>3. That authority be delegated to the Acting Corporate Director, EGEI to make subsequent minor changes to the above agreed programmes.</p> <p>4. That it be recommended that Council approves the additional expenditure of £17m, financed from borrowing £16.6m and one-off contributions as detailed in the report over the next three years and the updated prudential indicators as included in Appendix I to the report.</p>		
<u>REASONS FOR THE DECISION</u>		
<p>Ongoing capital investment ensures the protection and improvement of the Council's infrastructure in order to meet the expectations and needs of Trafford residents and businesses and ensure the Council delivers on its objectives and priorities.</p>		
<u>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS</u>		
<p>Schemes included within the programme are based on a prioritisation of potential projects in accordance with Council strategies and policies.</p>		
<u>CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION</u>		
<p>None.</p>		

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RECORD OF THE DECISION

GREENSPACE CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2018/19

1. That the allocation of the approved Greenspace Capital programme as set out in the report be approved.
2. That the Corporate Director for Economic Growth, Environment and Infrastructure be authorised to make minor changes to the programme.
3. That authority be delegated to the Corporate Director, Transformation and Resources in consultation with the Chief Finance Officer to authorise the final agreed expenditure on Turn Moss following the tendering process and subject to securing planning permission.
4. That authority be delegated to the Director of Legal and Democratic Services in consultation with the Corporate Director, EGEI and where appropriate, the Chief Finance Officer to finalise and enter into all legal agreements required to implement the above decisions.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

Ongoing capital investment ensures the protection and improvements of the Council's infrastructure in order to meet the expectations and needs of Trafford residents and businesses and ensure the Council delivers on its objectives of the core strategy and corporate priorities.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS

Schemes included within the programme are based on a prioritisation of potential projects in accordance with Council strategies and policies.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION

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RECORD OF THE DECISION

HOUSES IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION - SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT - ADOPTION

1. That the consultation responses and amendments made to the Houses in Multiple Occupation Supplementary Planning Document be noted.
2. That the Houses in Multiple Occupation Supplementary Planning Document (SPD6) be approved for adoption as Council Policy.
3. That authority for approving any minor changes to the wording and / or layout of the Houses in Multiple Occupation Supplementary Planning Document prior to publication, and for the carrying out of all procedural actions related to the adoption process, be delegated to the Director of Growth and Regulatory Services.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The recommendation will enable the Council to adopt the HMO SPD, thus enabling it to become Council policy and to aid the determination of planning applications for HMOs.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS

It is possible to bring into force an Article 4(1) Direction without an accompanying SPD; therefore an alternative option could be to not adopt the SPD. However, this would result in a less robust policy framework and would leave the Council more vulnerable to appeal/challenge when determining planning applications for HMOs.

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<u>RECORD OF THE DECISION</u>		
<u>BUSINESS RATES DISCRETIONARY RATE RELIEF POLICY 2017 REVALUATION - FURTHER AMENDMENTS TO MAXIMISE FUNDING</u>		
That the proposed amendments to the Business Rates Discretionary Rate Relief Policy 2017 be approved.		
<u>REASONS FOR THE DECISION</u>		
Government funding is available through a discretionary fund over four years from 2017/18 to support those businesses most affected by an increase in rating valuations as a result of the 2017 revaluation. The Council agreed a revised policy in September 2017; however, there is still funding available in 2017/18 for businesses and the proposed further changes to the existing policy are designed to ensure that the Council maximises the funding available.		
<u>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS</u>		
The Council could maintain its existing policies and not make the amendments but due to the funding constraints this would mean returning government funding meant for local businesses.		
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RECORD OF THE DECISION

FAIR PRICE FOR CARE - OUTCOME OF THE REVIEW OF THE PRICE FOR HOMECARE AND RESIDENTIAL AND NURSING CARE

That, for the reasons set out in the report, an inflationary uplift be approved to the care fee rates paid by the Council of:

- 4.07% for the homecare market for 2018/9.
- 3.88% for the residential and nursing care market for 2018/9.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The recommended Option 2 will enable providers to meet the requirements of the National Living Wage and additional inflationary pressures whilst still remaining within the approved budget.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS

Do nothing, or offer an increase other than that recommended. Further details of these options are set out in section 6 of the report.

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