

EXECUTIVE

26 NOVEMBER 2018

PRESENT

Leader of the Council (Councillor A. Western)(in the Chair),
Executive Member for Adult Social Care (Councillor J. Harding),
Executive Member for Children's Services (Councillor J. Baugh),
Executive Member for Communities and Housing (Councillor K. Procter),
Executive Member for Constitutional Reform and Resident Engagement
(Councillor M. Freeman),
Executive Member for Environment, Air Quality and Climate Change (Councillor S.
Adshead),
Executive Member for Equalities and Partnerships (Councillor C. Hynes),
Executive Member for Finance (Councillor M. Cordingley),
Executive Member for Health and Wellbeing (Councillor J. Lloyd),
Executive Member for Investment, Regeneration and Strategic Planning
(Councillor J. Wright).

Also present: Councillors Acton, Sean Anstee, Stephen Anstee, Barclay, Bowker,
Butt, Coggins, L. Evans, N. Evans, Lamb, Myers, Shaw and Whetton.

In attendance:

Chief Executive (Mr. J. Taylor),
Corporate Director, Finance and Systems (Ms. N. Bishop),
Corporate Director, People (Ms. S. Saleh),
Corporate Director, Place (Mr. R. Roe),
Acting Corporate Director, Children and Families (Ms. C. Rooney),
Acting Corporate Director, Adult Services (Ms. D. Eaton),
Corporate Director, Commissioning (Ms. S. Radcliffe),
Principal Solicitor (Corporate and Commercial) (Ms. D. Sykes),
Democratic and Scrutiny Officer (Mr. J.M.J. Maloney).

58. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were made by Executive Members.

59. MINUTES

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Budget Executive Meeting on 15th
October, and of the Executive Meeting on 29th October 2018, be approved
as correct records.

60. MATTERS FROM COUNCIL OR OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES (IF ANY)

Councillor Acton, as Chair of the Scrutiny Committee, reminded Members that the
two forthcoming Budget Scrutiny sessions were scheduled for 4th December
(Health and Social Care issues) and 6th December (all other issues).

61. TRAFFORD INTEGRATED YOUTH SERVICE PROPOSAL

The Executive Member for Children’s Services submitted a report which set out details of proposals to integrate Council-run youth provision in Trafford to provide more effective services to improve outcomes for young people. A related report setting out details of the proposed staff consultation was considered in Part II of the agenda. An opportunity was provided for Members to raise questions on the report’s content. These centred on: the name for the proposed service; how streamlined the service’s operations would be; operational arrangements for the envisaged staff; and arrangements for signposting and accessibility of the service’s components.

RESOLVED – That the detail of the proposals set out in the report be noted.

62. CONSTITUTION WORKING GROUP - PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION

The Corporate Director for Governance and Community Strategy and Monitoring Officer submitted a report, which had previously been referred to the Standards and Scrutiny Committees, seeking any comments from the Executive in relation to proposed changes and improvements, aimed at improving openness, transparency and public engagement. Subject to any comments, the paper was to be referred to Council at its meeting on 28th November 2018. In discussion Members noted a number of issues relating to public questions including applicability to regulatory committees, the possibility of malicious / spurious questions, the recording of questions; and to the usage of electronic agenda. It was noted that Committee Chairs would have a significant role in the practical operation of the proposed arrangements.

RESOLVED – That the content of the report, and its proposed referral to Council, be noted.

63. BUDGET MONITORING 2018/19 - PERIOD 6 (APRIL TO SEPTEMBER 2018)

The Executive Member for Finance and the Corporate Director of Finance and Systems submitted a report which informed Members of the current 2018/19 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 on the report’s content; these focussed on: variances in public health expenditure; the background to mileage payments for Home to School transport; vacancies within the Governance and Community Strategy directorate; the accounting treatment of winter pressures funding; and the extent to which “contingency” funding had been drawn on to date. On the latter point, it was agreed that further analysis would be supplied outside the meeting.

RESOLVED – That the content of the report be noted,

64. TRANSFORMATION FUND

The Executive Member for Finance and the Corporate Director of Finance and Systems submitted a report which provided Members with an overview and forecast position as at the end of the March 2019 on the transformation Fund across the Locality. In discussions, questions were raised regarding the extent to which, to date, the Fund's operation had realised its envisaged benefits. Executive Members noted that it was now envisaged that they would be monitoring progress as a part of relevant individual portfolio responsibilities, and that it was intended that regular monitoring reports would be referred to the full Executive to promote transparency and accountability.

RESOLVED – That the content of the report be noted.

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

RESOLVED – That the content of the summary of GMCA decisions taken on 26th October 2018 be noted.

66. EXCLUSION RESOLUTION

RESOLVED - That the public be excluded from this meeting during consideration of the remaining items on the agenda, because of the likelihood of disclosure of "exempt information" which falls within one or more descriptive category or categories of the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A, as amended by The Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, and specified on the agenda item or report relating to each such item respectively.

67. TRAFFORD INTEGRATED YOUTH SERVICE PROPOSAL

The Executive Member for Children's Services submitted a report which set out details of a proposed consultation exercise which would be required in order to implement broader proposals to integrate Council-run youth provision in Trafford. A related report was considered in Part I of the agenda; Minute 61 above refers.

RESOLVED – That the staff consultation exercise, as detailed in the report, be noted.

The meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and finished at 7.21 p.m.