

**TRAFFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION**

<b><u>DATE OF DECISION</u></b>	Monday, 16 March 2020	<b><u>DECISION MAKER</u></b>
<b><u>DECISION REFERENCE</u></b>	E/16.3.20/4(a)	<b>Executive</b> (Councillors A. Western, Freeman, Harding, Ross, Slater and Whitham)
<b><u>RECORD OF THE DECISION</u></b>		
Report of Scrutiny Task and Finish Group - Disability Access		
That the report be received and noted; that an interim response be promptly made to its interim recommendations; and that a further full response be made to the Scrutiny Committee in due course, after the production of the final report.		
<b><u>REASONS FOR THE DECISION</u></b>		
To provide for a prompt response to be made to Task and Finish Group's interim recommendations.		
<b><u>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS</u></b>		
None: the Executive is required to respond to Scrutiny recommendations		
<b><u>CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION</u></b>		
None.		

<b><u>Scrutiny Call in Deadline</u></b>
<b>Not applicable.</b> The purpose of this decision is to provide for a response to be made to Scrutiny; so call-in is not appropriate.

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<b><u>RECORD OF THE DECISION</u></b>		

**FAIR PRICE FOR CARE - HOMECARE 2020-21: CONSULTATION UPDATE**

1. That the outcome of the consultation be noted.
2. That the response to the consultation be noted.
2. That the outcome of the Equality Impact Assessment be noted.
4. That an inflationary uplift be approved of 4.86% to the hourly rate for standard homecare which will be an increase from £15.25 per hour to £15.99 per hour for 2020/21.

**REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

Fair Price for Care is the annual process, which informs rate setting for homecare. Responses to consultation in respect of Fair Price for Care have been considered together with the analysis from the Equalities Impact Assessment, and on this basis officers proposed an annual inflationary uplift to homecare, of 4.86% for the financial year 2020-2021, which equates to an increase from £15.25 to £15.99 per hour, as a means of ensuring good pay and conditions for the homecare workforce and stabilising the homecare market in Trafford. This will lay the foundations for achieving wider ambitions regarding homecare, through a co-ordinated programme of work.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS**

A range of options for uplifting the standard homecare rate were consulted upon during February 2020: not to apply an annual uplift; apply a lower uplift; or apply a higher uplift, as set out in paragraph 4.2 of the report.

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION**

None.

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**FAIR PRICE FOR CARE FOR OLDER PEOPLES' RESIDENTIAL AND NURSING HOMES 2020-21 : CONSULTATION UPDATE**

1. That the outcome of the consultation be noted.
2. That the response to the consultation be noted.
3. That the content of the EIA be noted.
4. That the following bed rates be approved for 2020/21:

- 1 An inflationary uplift of **3.83%** for existing beds.
- 2 New bed rates for new spot placements from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020.
  - **£560** for a post purchased residential bed
  - **£626** for a spot purchased nursing bed

**REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

Having taken into account the full EIA and the consultation responses officers are continuing to recommend the above decision because this will enable providers to meet the requirements of both the National Living Wage, and additional inflationary pressures together with embedding the Ethical Care Charter, whilst still remaining within the approved budget. It will give Trafford a bed rate that is acceptable to providers and enables residents to have more choice. The FPFC approach together with all the other components, including block contract arrangements, will enable more choice locally for Trafford residents.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS**

Do nothing; or apply an inflationary uplift of 3.83% to all beds. Further detail of these options is set out at section 3.1 of the report.

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION**

None.

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<b><u>RECORD OF THE DECISION</u></b>		
<b><u>APPROVAL TO IMPLEMENT THE ALL AGE TRAVEL ASSISTANCE POLICY</u></b>		
<p>1. That the report be noted, including the methodology and approach used for the consultation process, the feedback received and the equality impact assessment.</p> <p>2. That the revised policy be approved for implementation with effect from 1 June 2020.</p>		
<b><u>REASONS FOR THE DECISION</u></b>		
<p>The revised Policy makes it clearer for children, young people, adults and their families, about eligibility for travel assistance and the range of transport options available in the local area. Travel assistance for 6<sup>th</sup> form age students with disabilities is offered free of charge in line with the Greater Manchester pilot scheme offering free bus travel to all young people age 16 to 18 and with a best practice appeals process.</p>		
<b><u>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS</u></b>		
<p>Do nothing; maintain existing charging arrangements for travel assistance for 6<sup>th</sup> form age students; or maintain existing single stage appeal process for travel assistance for 6<sup>th</sup> form age students. Further discussion of these options is set out at section 6 of the report.</p>		
<b><u>CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION</u></b>		
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**RECORD OF THE DECISION**

**FORMER WILLIAM WROE GOLF COURSE - OPTIONS APPRAISAL**

1. That the Options Appraisal report produced by ARUP be noted.
  2. That it be approved that an application be made to the Registration Authority (Planning and Development Management Committee) that the former William Wroe Golf Course site be designated as a Town/Village Green to provide additional legal protection beyond its green belt status and planning policy protection.
  3. That authority be delegated to the Corporate Director of Place to complete and submit the application.
  4. That it be acknowledged that the designation of William Wroe as a Town and Village Green may constitute a disposal under section 123 of the Local Government Act 1972 and that such a disposal would be a disposal at undervalue; and that the disposal be approved as it promotes the social and environmental well-being of Flixton and its residents.
- (v) That the undertaking be approved of further work to develop a masterplan for the William Wroe site and determine the most appropriate management and funding models.

**REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

The proposals are considered to provide the most effective initial site protection, which can be commenced in conjunction with further exploration of the various potential longer term management models outlined in the context of emerging opportunities at the local and GM level.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS**

Do nothing, which would fail to capture the significant potential of the site to deliver against key Council and partner priorities on natural capital, health and wellbeing, sport and physical activity and climate change.

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION**

None.

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**FLIXTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - DECISION ON THE SUBMITTED NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA AND NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM APPLICATION**

That the application be approved to designate:

1. The Flixton Neighbourhood Plan Area as a Neighbourhood Area, in line with the Localism Act 2011 and the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 and;
2. The Flixton Neighbourhood Plan Forum as a Neighbourhood Forum in line with the Localism Act 2011 and the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

**REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

Neighbourhood planning guidance states that LPAs should consider the following matters in making their decision: Is the Plan Area applied for considered appropriate; and Is the Forum appropriately constituted and contains a core of 21 people that are representative of the proposed Plan Area. It is considered that both of these matters have been adequately addressed in the application and that the proposed Neighbourhood Area and Neighbourhood Forum meet the requirements of the Localism Act 2011 and the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. Therefore both the Flixton Neighbourhood Area and Flixton Neighbourhood Forum should be designated.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS**

To reject the application and identify reasons for making that decision to inform preparation of a statement of reasons. However taking into account that the proposed Neighbourhood Area and the proposed Neighbourhood Forum meet the requirements of the Localism Act 2011 and the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 this is not considered to be a realistic option.

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION**

None.

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<b><u>RECORD OF THE DECISION</u></b>		
HOUSING OPTIONS SERVICE TRAFFORD (HOST) SERVICE DELIVERY 2020/21 AND 2021+		
<p>1. That the content of the Part I and Part II reports and the options identified for future housing and homelessness service delivery be noted.</p> <p>2. That the preferred option, as set out in the Part II report, be approved.</p> <p>3. That it be agreed to receive an update report in September 2020.</p>		
<b><u>REASONS FOR THE DECISION</u></b>		
The preferred option, as set out in the Part II report, is seen as the only current viable option to ensure that the Council meets its statutory requirement to provide a housing and homelessness service.		
<b><u>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS</u></b>		
There is not an option to cease providing the housing and homelessness service in Trafford, as there is a statutory requirement to deliver this as contained within the Housing Act 1996, the Localism Act 2011 and the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017.		
<b><u>CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION</u></b>		
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<b><u>REFERENCE</u></b>	Harding, Ross, Slater and Whitham)
<b><u>RECORD OF THE DECISION</u></b>	
<b><u>ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING POINTS IN TRAFFORD</u></b>	
<p>1. That the role of TfGM be noted, and the rollout of EV charge points across Greater Manchester (GM) that affects Trafford.</p> <p>2. That the options that the Council has to consider be noted, and that further exploration be undertaken with regard to future rollout of EV charge points in Trafford.</p> <p>3. That the continued rollout of EV charge points be supported; and that options be developed through soft market testing that seeks to maximise potential net revenue streams from the technology.</p>	
<b><u>REASONS FOR THE DECISION</u></b>	
To inform Members and seek approval on the range of initiatives that needs to be considered and explored further relating to EV charge points.	
<b><u>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS</u></b>	
A range of initiatives and options for delivery are suggested to be explored, as included within the report. The other alternative is that the Council does not fit EV Charging units within Trafford and rely on private initiatives to do it. As part of the clear air initiatives the Council has ruled out this option.	
<b><u>CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION</u></b>	
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<b><u>RECORD OF THE DECISION</u></b>		



## PROPOSED COMMUNITY ASSET TRANSFER FOR GEORGE H. CARNALL LEISURE CENTRE

1. That approval in principle be given to the proposed transfer of the George H Carnall Leisure Centre (“GHC”) to the George Carnall Community Group (“GCCG”) as a Community Asset Transfer subject to:
  - I. Approval of full business case for the future operation of GHC by GCCG;
  - II. Completion of an agreement between the Council, Trafford Leisure Community Interest Company Limited (“Trafford Leisure”) and GCCG of the transition arrangements detailed in this report (“the Transition Agreement”);
  - III. Approval of the Secretary of State (if required) to the proposed disposal;
  - IV. A further report back to the Executive for final approval of the proposed transfer.
2. That it be agreed to fund the costs of keeping GHC open as detailed in the report during a transition period from the 1<sup>st</sup> April to the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2020 (“the Transition Period”) to allow for the further development of and finalisation of the proposals for the proposed Community Asset Transfer.
3. That it be formally requested that Trafford Leisure provide support to the Council and GCCG through the Transition Period, to be agreed as set out above.
4. That authority be delegated to the Corporate Director of Place, in consultation with the Corporate Director of Finance and Systems and the Corporate Director for Governance and Community Strategy, to agree the terms of the proposed Transition Agreement.
5. That authority be delegated to the Corporate Director for Governance and Community Strategy to enter into the Transition Agreement and any other documents required to progress the proposed transfer to the point where further approval of the Executive is required in accordance with 1.IV above.

### REASONS FOR THE DECISION

To provide a window of opportunity during which the Council, Trafford Leisure and GCCG can continue to explore the possibility of completing a community asset transfer in October of this year.

### ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS

Effectively to do nothing. This would mean continuing with the original Executive decision to accept the keys back from Trafford Leisure on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2020, with a range of advantages and disadvantages set out in section 6 of the report.

### CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION

None.

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**RECORD OF THE DECISION**

**ACQUISITION OF TWO PROPERTIES IN TRAFFORD AND THE PROCUREMENT OF AN OPERATOR LINKED TO THAT ACQUISITION**

1. That the content of the report and the proposed next steps be noted.
2. That authority be delegated to the Corporate Director of Place to make an offer for the properties of up to the amount specified in the report.
3. That authority be delegated to the Corporate Director of Place in consultation with the Leader of the Council and under advisement from the Corporate Director for Governance and Community Strategy and the Corporate Director for Finance and Systems to agree the terms of acquisition, similar to those set out in the report.
4. That authority be delegated to the Corporate Director of Adult Social Care to appoint an operating partner in relation to the business to be carried on within the properties, in consultation with the Corporate Director for Finance and Systems.
5. That authority be delegated to the Corporate Director for Governance and Community Strategy to enter into and complete any legal documents required to acquire and provide care within the properties.

**REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

The proposed acquisition will enable the Council to acquire a significant asset in line with its investment strategy whilst also maintaining continuity of associated services currently being provided.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS**

Do nothing; or the Council to build and provide services through a contract partnership with an experienced provider. Further details of the options are set out in section 5 of the report.

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION**

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