

Lancashire County Council

Cabinet

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 8th August, 2019 at 2.00 pm in Cabinet Room 'B' - The Diamond Jubilee Room, County Hall, Preston

Present:

County Councillor Geoff Driver CBE

Leader of the Council
(in the Chair)

Cabinet Members

County Councillor Keith Iddon
County Councillor Albert Atkinson
County Councillor Michael Green
County Councillor Phillippa Williamson
County Councillor Peter Buckley
County Councillor Graham Gooch
County Councillor Shaun Turner

County Councillors Azhar Ali and John Fillis were also in attendance under the provisions of Standing Order No. C14(2).

1. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

None.

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 11 July 2019

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held on 11 July 2019 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

4. Request Approval to Commence Procurement Exercises

Cabinet considered a report seeking approval to commence the following procurement exercises in accordance with the county council's procurement rules:

- i. Preferred Provider List (PPL) for Tier 4 substance misuse inpatient detoxification and rehabilitation services and;
- ii. Application of traditional surfacing, surface patching, hand patching and hot rolled asphalt chipper and team.

Resolved: That the commencement of procurement exercises for the following areas be approved:

- i. Preferred Provider List (PPL) for Tier 4 substance misuse inpatient detoxification and rehabilitation services and;
- ii. Application of traditional surfacing, surface patching, hand patching and hot rolled asphalt chipper and team.

5. Lancashire County Council (Arthur Street Car Park and Registry Office Car Park, Arthur Street, and Lancashire Archives Office Car Park, Bow Lane, Preston, Preston City) (Off Street Parking Places) Order 201*

Cabinet received a report setting out proposals for an off street parking places Order to introduce charges on specified county council car parks listed set out in the report, in order to contribute to the maintenance of the facilities whilst promoting the correct use of the available spaces with regards to the Registry Office and Lancashire Archives car parks.

Resolved: That the proposals for an off street parking places Order as detailed within the report be approved.

6. Lancashire County Council (Crosse Hall Lane, Eaves Lane, Haworth Road, Chorley, Chorley Borough) (Prohibition of Waiting and School Keep Clear) Order 201*

Cabinet received a report setting out proposals for a Traffic Regulation Order to prohibit parking in the vicinity of St James Church of England Primary School and the junction of Crosse Hall Lane and Haworth Road, Chorley.

Resolved: That the proposal for the introduction of prohibition of waiting restrictions on Crosse Hall Lane and Haworth Road along with a School Entrance Marking on Crosse Hall Lane, Chorley as detailed within the report be approved.

7. Lancashire County Council (Various Roads, AV3 Permit Zone, Preston, Preston City) (Revocation, Introduction of Parking Places, Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting, Limited Waiting and Prohibition of Loading) Order 201*

Cabinet received a report setting out proposals for a Traffic Regulation Order to address issues with the existing residents only parking scheme in the Avenham area of Preston.

Resolved: That the proposals as detailed within the report in relation to residents only parking in the Avenham area be approved

8. Lancashire County Council (Various Roads Chorley, Fylde, Hyndburn, Lancaster, Pendle, Preston, Ribble Valley, Rossendale, South Ribble, West Lancashire, Wyre)(Revocations and Various Parking Restrictions 2018 (No1)) Order 201*

Cabinet received a report setting out a proposal to make a Traffic Regulation Order to address anomalies in parking restrictions and to clarify, simplify and tidy up a number of discrepancies that had been identified in the Preston and Rossendale districts. In addition, new restrictions were proposed in the districts of Chorley, Fylde, Hyndburn, Lancaster, Pendle, Preston, Ribble Valley, Rossendale, South Ribble, West Lancashire and Wyre.

Resolved: That the making of a Traffic Regulation Order introducing the parking restrictions on the various lengths of road within the Chorley, Fylde, Hyndburn, Lancaster, Pendle, Preston, Ribble Valley, Rossendale, South Ribble, West Lancashire and Wyre Districts as detailed within the report be approved

9. Lancashire County Council (Various Roads, Fylde and Wyre Boroughs) (Revocation and One Way September 2018 (No 1)) Order 201*

Cabinet received a report setting out a proposal for the introduction of a one-way traffic restriction on Nelson Street, Kirkham, and the simplification of other related traffic restrictions to enable effective enforcement.

Resolved: That the making of the relevant Traffic Regulation Order for the introduction of the one-way orders on Nelson Street, Kirkham – Blackpool Old Road, Poulton-le-Fylde and Copse Road, Fleetwood as detailed within the report be approved.

10. Consultation on the Lancashire Break Time Proposal - Update

Cabinet considered a report providing an update following the consultation undertaken on the proposal to cease the Lancashire Break Time service from September 2019. Cabinet welcomed the helpful and informative consultation responses which highlighted the need to consider the wider short breaks offer in reviewing the service.

Resolved: That

- i. a review and redesign of the whole short breaks offer, in partnership with parent carers, young people and providers be undertaken.
- ii. the continuation of the Lancashire Break Time Service, in its current form, until the review and redesign of the short breaks offer is completed be approved.
- iii. a report setting out the proposal for the future delivery of short breaks be presented to Cabinet in March 2020.

11. Developing the Approach and Provision for Children and Young People with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities

Cabinet received a report setting out the current position in relation to the number and placement of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities in Lancashire, including how need is met and the financial implications for the Council.

Resolved: That

- i. the information set out in the report be noted.
- ii. the principles set out in the report be agreed as a framework to develop the operational approach and provision for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities in Lancashire.
- iii. any significant changes to the nature and type of provision be the subject of a future Cabinet report.

12. Review of Lancashire County Council's Educational/Off Site Visit Policy and Guidelines September 2019 - September 2022

Cabinet received a report proposing a revised Lancashire County Council Educational/Off Site Visits Policy and Guidelines September 2019-September 2022.

Resolved: That the revised Educational/Off Site Visits Policy and Guidelines September 2019-2022, as set out in the report, be approved

13. Provision of Additional Secondary School Places in Burnley

Cabinet considered a report on the approach to addressing the need for additional secondary school places in Burnley following the closure of Hameldon Community College in August 2019, in accordance with the statutory duty to ensure that a primary or secondary school place is available for every child of statutory school age living in Lancashire who requests one.

Resolved: That

- i. a permanent expansion of 30 pupil places per year from September 2020 at Shuttleworth College, through the provision of additional permanent accommodation on the existing school site, subject to obtaining relevant planning permission, be approved.
- ii. a permanent expansion of 30 pupil places per year from September 2020 at Unity College, through the provision of additional permanent accommodation on the existing school site, subject to obtaining relevant planning permission, be approved
- iii. the expenditure listed in the report for the permanent expansion of the two schools be approved

14. Welfare Rights Service - Consultation Outcome

Cabinet considered a report, following public consultation, on a proposal to reduce the budget of the Welfare Rights Service to achieve a saving of £340,000, together with an associated proposal for the Customer Access Service to reduce their staffing budget to achieve a saving of £40,000, giving a total saving of £380,000 per annum.

It was reported that, following the consultation and work with partners, a revised proposal was now presented to deliver a reduced capacity Welfare Rights service and manage access, to achieve an estimated saving of £101,250 per annum.

Resolved: That:

- i. The revised proposal, as detailed in the report be approved, resulting in a total budget reduction of £101,250 per annum, comprising £61,251 per annum from the Welfare Rights Service and £40,000 per annum from the Customer Access Service.
- ii. The redesign of access to the Welfare Rights Service to cease telephony demand into the Customer Access Service be approved.
- iii. Officers be thanked for their work on the Equality Analysis presented as part of the report

15. County Council Operated Day Services for Older People - Outcome of Public Consultation on Proposal to Increase Charges and Approval of New Rates

Cabinet considered a report on proposals to increase a range of charges for older people who use the Council's own day services, and who pay 'full cost'. The proposals had been subject to public consultation and the report presented the findings from that consultation and an Equality Analysis.

Resolved: That:

- i. the findings from the public consultation and analysis contained in the Equality Impact Assessment set out in the report be noted.
- ii. phased increases to the charges for those older people who pay 'full cost' for council operated day services be approved, with the initial increase taking effect from 1 October 2019 as follows:
 - from £31.30 to £34.40 per full day for older people to use the council's day services;
 - from £35 to £38 per full day for older people to use the council's day services with transport to and from the centres (where transport is available);
 - from £54.75 to £60.15 for older people who have dementia to use the council's day services, reflecting the additional staff costs to support them to attend and take part;
 - from £58 to £63.50 for people who need additional support for dementia to use the council's day services with transport to and from the centres where transport is available).
- iii. a minimum further increase from April 2020 be approved as follows:
 - from £34.40 to £37.45 per full day for older people to use the council's day services;
 - from £38 to £41 per full day for older people to use the council's day services with transport to and from the centres (where transport is available);
 - from £60.15 to £65.50 per full day for older people who have dementia to use the council's day services, reflecting the additional staff costs to support them to attend and take part;
 - from £63.50 to £69 per full day for people who need additional support for dementia to use the council's day services with transport to and from the centres (where transport is available).
- iv. the Statutory Director of Adult Services, in consultation with the Director of Finance and the Cabinet Member for Adult Services, be authorised to approve any further annual increases in charges for self-funders from 2020/21 onwards, on the basis that the charges should be reviewed each year and adjusted to reflect the actual cost of delivery of the council's day services.
- v. Officers be thanked for their work on the Equality Analysis presented as part of the report

16. Continuing Healthcare - Implementation of the Care Act 2014 (Approval of Revised Adult Social Care Policies and Procedures)

Cabinet received a report presenting a proposed new NHS Continuing Healthcare policy, as part of the ongoing review of all adult social care policies, practice and guidance to ensure compliance following the introduction of the Care Act 2014.

Resolved: Cabinet is asked to approve the implementation of the NHS Continuing Healthcare policy as set out in the report.

17. Urgent Decisions taken by the Leader of the County Council and the relevant Cabinet Member(s)

There were no urgent decisions.

18. Urgent Business

There was no Urgent Business.

19. Date of Next Meeting

It was noted that the next meeting of Cabinet would be held at 2pm on Thursday 5 September 2019 at County Hall, Preston.

20. Notice of Intention to Conduct Business in Private

Cabinet noted the Notice of Intention to Conduct Business in Private and that no representations had been received.

21. Exclusion of Press and Public

Resolved: That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that there would be a likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the appropriate paragraph of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 as indicated against the heading to the item.

22. BT Lancashire Services Contract Negotiations

(Not for Publication - Exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 2 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972. It is considered that in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information)

Cabinet considered a report on BT Lancashire Services contract negotiations.

Resolved: That the recommendation as set out in the report be approved

24. Capital Strategy for Schools - Condition Led Programme 2019/20

(Not for Publication - Exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972. It is considered that in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information)

Cabinet considered a report seeking approval for works and related expenditure on the provision of new school facilities.

Resolved: That the recommendation as set out in the report be approved

25. Extension of Adult Services Mental Health Community Restart and Social Inclusion Services Contracts

(Not for Publication - Exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972. It is considered that in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information)

Cabinet considered a report seeking approval for the extension of the Mental Health Community Restart Contracts.

Resolved: That the recommendations as set out in the report be approved

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