Meeting of the Full Council 22 October 2015

Report of the Cabinet meetings held on 12 August 2015 and 8 October 2015

The agenda and minutes of the meetings may be viewed on the County Council's website at the following link:

http://council.lancashire.gov.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=122

Corporate Strategy Consultation

Cabinet received a report the development of a new Corporate Strategy and the consultation arrangements.

Cabinet resolved that the consultation arrangements set out in the report be agreed, with the addition of the following bodies to the list of consultees:

- Lancashire Association of Local Councils (LALC)
- Society of Local Council Clerks
- MEPs
- NHS Hospital Trusts
- HE/FE establishments

Money Matters 2015/16 Financial Position and revised Medium Term Financial Strategy

Cabinet received a report setting out the Financial Position as at 30 June 2015; the latest position in respect of the County Council's reserves; and the County Council's updated financial outlook and Medium Term Financial Strategy for the period 2016/17 to 2020/21.

Cabinet resolved that:

- i. the forecast overspend of £33.251m on the revenue budget in 2015/16 and ongoing pressure of £45.646m be noted.
- ii. the position in respect of the Council's reserves be noted and the transfers outlined in the report be agreed.
- iii. the revised funding gap of £223.200m as set out in the revised financial outlook forecast for the Council be noted

Base Budget Review

Cabinet received a report proposing that the council undertake a zero base budget review to inform the council's future budget process, and setting out the approach to the budget review.

Cabinet resolved that:

i. the approach and timetable for the proposed Base Budget Review set out in the report be noted.

ii. a procurement exercise be undertaken to put in place a Consultancy Framework to support the activities set out in the report.

Redundancy Payments Scheme and Trade Union Consultation

Reported elsewhere on the agenda.

Lancashire Safeguarding Children Board Annual Report 2014/15

Cabinet received a report presenting the Annual Report of the LSCB for 2014/15.

Cabinet resolved that:

- i. The annual report of the LSCB be noted.
- ii. A report on hospital admissions for self harm and alcohol specific conditions for Lancashire Looked After Children be considered at a future meeting of the Cabinet Committee on Performance Improvement.

Lancashire Safeguarding Adult Board Annual Report 2014/15

Cabinet received a report presenting the Annual Report of the LSAB for 2014/15.

Cabinet resolved that the report be noted.

Contribution to the Lancashire Environmental Fund

Cabinet received a report seeking approval for the continuation of an annual contribution of £80,000 to be made to the Lancashire Environmental Fund.

Cabinet resolved to approve the continuation of the annual contribution to the Lancashire Environmental Fund capped at £80,000 per year by increasing the value of the Capital Programme in 2015/16 and for provision for this contribution in future years' capital programmes.