

Lancashire County Council

Cabinet

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 6th February, 2020 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 for absence.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

There were no interests declared.

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 16 January 2020

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2020 be agreed a correct record and signed by the Chair.

4. Money Matters 2019/20 Position – Quarter 3

Cabinet considered the Money Matters report setting out an update on the county council's 2019/20 revenue and capital financial position, proposed 3 year capital delivery plan as at the end of December 2019, an updated medium term financial strategy covering the period 2020/21 to 2023/24, and a proposed capital strategy.

Resolved: That:

- i. The current forecast underspend of £13.508m on the revenue budget in 2019/20, be noted.

- ii. The revised funding gap of £33.312m covering the period 2020/21 to 2023/24 as set out in the revised financial outlook for the council, be noted.
- iii. The budget adjustments for 2020/21, and following years' changes, included in the revised MTFs, be approved.
- iv. To make recommendations to Full Council on 13 February 2020 a Band D Council Tax for 2020/21 reflecting a 3.99% increase including 2% to be used for adult social care as per the new flexibilities.
- v. The contents of the county council's reserves position, be noted.
- vi. The expected capital expenditure outturn of £132.623m, be noted.
- vii. The revised 2019/20 capital delivery programme of £151.433m as presented within the body of the report, be noted.
- viii. The updated 3 year capital delivery programme 2020/21 to 2022/23, be noted.
- ix. To make recommendations to Full Council to approve the proposed capital strategy.

5. 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. Energy Purchasing Strategy 2020-24
- ii. Extra Care Services
- iii. Safer Roads Fund Programme
- iv. Highway Repairs and Maintenance Service based on daywork rates

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

- i. Energy Purchasing Strategy 2020-24
- ii. Extra Care Services
- iii. Safer Roads Fund Programme
- iv. Highway Repairs and Maintenance Service based on daywork rates

6. Property Asset Management Strategy

Cabinet considered a report setting out a draft Property Asset Management Strategy.

Resolved: That:

- i. The Property Asset Management Strategy, as set out in Appendix 'A', be approved.
- ii. The Director of Strategy and Performance, in consultation with the Leader of the County Council, be authorised to approve a detailed delivery plan for the Property Asset Management Strategy.

7. Corporate Strategy Monitoring - Recommendations of Targets for Key Performance Measures

Cabinet considered a report setting out recommendations of targets for key performance measures as part of the monitoring of the corporate strategy.

Resolved: That the performance indicators be noted and the targets presented at Appendix 'A' for future monitoring by the Cabinet Committee on Performance Improvement, be approved.

8. The Introduction of Contraflow Cycling along the Central Section of North Clifton Street, Lytham

Cabinet considered a report setting out proposals to provide for lawful contraflow cycle use along a one way length of North Clifton Street, Lytham, between Pleasant Street and Bannister Street.

Resolved: That the proposed exception for cyclists to the one way order, enabling them to travel east to west along North Clifton Street, Lytham as set out in the plan attached at Appendix 'A', be approved.

9. Traffic Calming on Hoyles Lane, Cottam, Preston

Cabinet considered a report setting out proposals to install traffic calming measures consisting of 19 pairs of road humps (speed cushions) and to reduce the existing speed limit from 30 mph to 20 mph.

Resolved: That the installation of the road humps and reduction of the speed limit as shown at Appendix 'A', be approved.

10. Determination of Admission Arrangements for Community and Voluntary Controlled Primary and Secondary Schools and Sixth Forms for the School Year 2021/2022

Cabinet considered a report setting out proposals for the determination of the admission arrangements for community and voluntary controlled primary and secondary schools and sixth form schools for the school year 2021/2022.

Resolved: That:

- i. The admission numbers and admission arrangements for community and voluntary controlled primary schools, secondary schools and sixth forms for 2021/2022 as listed at Appendices 'A' and 'B' be approved.
- ii. The issues raised by Community and Voluntary Controlled Governing Bodies be noted and the recommendations set out in response, as set out in Appendix 'C', be approved.
- iii. The admission numbers and criteria for admission set out at Appendixes 'A' and 'B', to constitute the Authority's admission arrangements for 2021/2022, be approved.

11. Co-ordinated Admissions Scheme 2021/22 - Determination of the Qualifying Scheme

Cabinet considered a report relating to the determination of the statutory scheme and the mandatory timetable for co-ordinating admissions for Lancashire's primary and secondary schools and academies for 2021/22.

Resolved: That:

- i. The Scheme listed at Appendix 'A', and its accompanying timetable in Appendix 'B', be adopted as the qualifying scheme for admissions to Lancashire primary and secondary schools and academies for 2021/22, be approved.
- ii. Approval be given to the Executive Director of Education and Children's Services seeking to secure the adoption of the scheme by the governing body of each Lancashire voluntary aided and foundation school and academy, in order to inform the Secretary of State for Education that a scheme has been introduced in Lancashire.

12. Determination of Home to School Transport Policy - Academic Year 2021/22

Cabinet considered a report setting out details of the Home to School Transport Policy for the academic year 2021/22.

Resolved: That the Home to School Transport Policy for the academic year 2021/2022 as set out at Appendix 'A', be approved.

13. Temporary Expansion of Primary Pupil Places in Preston Schools

Cabinet considered a report setting out details of the current and projected position in the North Preston planning area and recommending that additional places be made available at Lea Community Primary School for 2020, initially through temporary expansion.

Resolved: That:

- i. A temporary increase, for one year only, in the Reception year intake of Lea Community Primary School in North West Preston, from 30 to 60 places for September 2020, to be accommodated within the existing building, be approved.
- ii. The funding set out at Appendix 'A' in order to make internal alterations to the building to accommodate the additional numbers, be approved.

14. Mobile Library Review - Final Report

Cabinet considered a report setting out proposals following the conclusion of the review of the future of the mobile library service.

Resolved: That:

- i. The introduction of the revised mobile library routes from 1 June 2020 be approved.
- ii. The use of the trial days to offer mobile library stops to communities without a static library and no existing mobile library stop, be approved.
- iii. The Cabinet Member for Community and Cultural Services and the Head of Service – Libraries, Museums, Culture and Registrars, be authorised to make the final decision(s) regarding the trial routes.

15. Adult Social Care Fee Uplifts - 2020/21

Cabinet considered a report setting out details of the proposed adult social care fee uplifts for 2020/21.

Resolved: That approval be given to the following uplifts, with effect from 1 April 2020:

i. Residential and nursing care

Older Peoples approved residential care rates:

Nursing Standard	4.65%
Nursing Dementia	4.76%
Residential Standard	4.54%
Residential Higher	4.82%
Residential Dementia	4.89%

For other client groups: 4.89% minimum fee level for new placements increased to £595.07 per week.

For self-funders living in the county council's in-house older peoples residential homes: 4.89%.

ii. Homecare (all client groups)

Where care has been commissioned off-framework, an inflationary uplift of 4.88% in line with the forecast 2020/21 cost increase associated with the Homecare Framework.

iii. Supported Living – increase waking hour rate by 5.67% to £16.03 per hour. No changes to payments for sleep-in services at this time.

iv. Direct Payments – 4.88%.

v. Carers – Uplift the annual payments of £230/£340 to £244.29/£361.12 respectively.

vi. Shared Lives – 6.21%.

vii. Day Care (Non "Older People" services) – 4.81%.

viii. Rolling Respite and Provider Brokerage – Uplift in line with the relevant service (e.g. homecare/residential care).

16. Urgent Decisions taken by the Leader of the County Council

The urgent decision taken by the Leader of the County Council was noted.

17. Urgent Business

An item of Urgent Business was presented with it noted it would require consideration in the Part II section of the meeting.

18. Date of Next Meeting

It was noted that the next meeting of Cabinet would be held at 2pm on Thursday 12 March 2020 at County Hall, Preston.

19. 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.

20. 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.

21. Operational Premises - Hyndburn and Ribble Valley Short Breaks Services

Exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972. The report contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). 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 received a report on operational premises in respect of Hyndburn and Ribble Valley Short Breaks Services.

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

22. Appendix A to Item 13 - Temporary Expansion of Primary Pupil Places in Preston Schools

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The Appendix was noted.

17(a) The Case for Public Bond Issue

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Cabinet received a report on the Case for Public Bond Issue.

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

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