

## **CITY COUNCIL**

**TUESDAY 16 JULY 2019 AT 6.45 PM**

**PRESENT:** The Mayor (Councillor Mrs Bowman), Councillors Alcroft, Allison, Mrs Atkinson, Bainbridge, Betton, Birks, Bomford, Mrs Bradley, Brown, Christian, Collier, Dr Davison, Denholm, Ellis, Ms Ellis-Williams, Mrs Finlayson, Mrs Glendinning, Glover, Higgs, Mrs McKerrell, McNulty, Mrs Mallinson, Mallinson (J), Mitchelson, Morton, Nedved, Paton, Patrick, Robinson, Robson, Rodgerson, Shepherd, Miss Sherriff, Southward, Tarbitt, Dr Tickner and Tinnion

**ALSO**

**PRESENT:** Town Clerk and Chief Executive  
Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services

### **C.99/19 APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was submitted on behalf of Councillor Meller.

### **C.100/19 MINUTES**

The Mayor moved the receipt and adoption of the Minutes of the Meetings of the City Council held on 30 April and 20 May 2019.

**RESOLVED** – That the Minutes of the meetings of the City Council held on 30 April and 20 May 2019 be received and signed as a true record of the meetings.

### **C.101/19 PUBLIC AND PRESS**

**RESOLVED** – That the Agenda be agreed as circulated.

### **C.102/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The following Members declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct in respect of Item 16(iv) – Food Law Enforcement Service Plan for the reasons stated:

- Councillor Mitchelson – due to his business interests
- Councillor Bainbridge – due to his employment

Councillor Allison declared an interest in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct in respect of Item 16(iv) – Food Law Enforcement Service Plan, due to a family member's interest in two baguette shops.

The following Members declared an interest in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct in respect of Item 15(a) – Notice of Motion – LGBT+ Inclusive Relationship and Sex Education Motion for the reasons stated:

Councillor Ms Ellis-Williams – is a Teacher at Nelson Thomlinson School, Wigton  
Councillor Mrs Atkinson – is a primary school Teacher

### **C.103/19 ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **(i) The Mayor**

The Mayor expressed sincere thanks and appreciation to the Chaplain and Members for their donations and contributions towards the Civic Breakfast which was scheduled to take place at 8.15 am on 24 August 2019 at the Tithe Barn in aid of the Mayor's Charity Fund 2019/20.

The Mayor further announced that Councillor McNulty had kindly offered to undertake a 70 mile walk from Ulverston to Carlisle in aid of the Charity. A sponsorship form would be circulated in early August.

#### **(ii) The Leader of the Council**

The Leader announced that (as alluded to in his Portfolio Report) he had, along with several officers, attended the signing of a Heads of Terms agreement for the Borderlands Inclusive Growth Deal on 1 July 2019. He was enormously proud to have signed on behalf of the City Council and greatly appreciated the considerable amount of hard work which had gone into matter thus far.

Secondly, the Leader had attended a meeting at Botcherby Community Centre when the Environment Agency had outlined flood defence plans for phases 1 and 2, which constituted welcome news for the City.

#### **(iii) Members of the Executive**

There were no announcements from Members of the Executive.

#### **(iv) Town Clerk and Chief Executive**

There were no announcements from the Town Clerk and Chief Executive.

### **C.104/19 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 10.1, the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services reported that no questions had been submitted on notice by members of the public.

### **C.105/19 PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS**

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 10.11, the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services reported that no petitions or deputations had been submitted by members of the public.

## **C.106/19      QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

### **(a)      Pilot Scheme RD.43/18 for Additional Staffing and Equipment Resources for Environmental Clean Up and Enforcement**

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 11.2, the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services reported the receipt of a question submitted on notice by Councillor Betton:

Speaking at the invitation of the Mayor, Councillor Betton asked the following question:

“Fly tipping, litter and rubbish is still an ongoing issue. We have currently a number of workers in vans who are allocated over a huge area of Carlisle for this and some work force to tidy in the Town Centre through area maintenance cleaning.

However more has to and could be done to address this concern accordingly.

Concern has been expressed that enforcement and car parking has previously been amalgamated into one and that most of the officers who were on environment enforcement for majority of time are now on car parking duties.

Will the Portfolio Holder of Environment and Transport assure to update and clarify to this Council regarding where we are in the pilot scheme for the amendment motion agreed at the special budget meeting of 20th February 2019 pages 7-18; confirm if the 2 officers that are now newly employed and in place/inline are specifically only for the purpose of the pilot description and nothing else other than only what was put in writing and recorded in the amendment to the agreed 19/20 budget; and think about re visiting and reversing the policy of amalgamation of the two parking and environment sections so both are then equally balanced again?

Clarification from the Portfolio Holder regarding that the two officers are just being employed only for enforcement as described and agreed and that the Portfolio Holder will re visit the policy of amalgamation will be welcome.”

In response, the Environment and Transport Portfolio Holder affirmed that the amendment approved at the special meeting of the Council held on 20 February 2019 was to provide two officers for a pilot scheme of one year to deal with all aspects of environmental clean-up and enforcement in respect of dog fouling, litter and fly-tipping.

The Portfolio Holder could confirm that two officers had been appointed and he took the opportunity to welcome them to the Council. One had joined the Environment Team and the other had joined the Clean Neighbourhoods Team.

Those officers joined teams which covered a range of enforcement and street cleansing duties, covering the City seven days a week. There had been no change in the standard of car-parking enforcement, so the additional time was available for enhancing the other duties. Re-organisations in team and management structures were carried out from time to time to adjust to new ideas and improve efficiency and responsiveness, as one would expect in any organisation. He had no plans to re-visit the current structure which was working well, but of course would do so if evidence emerged to suggest that he should look at it.

In terms of the last point in Councillor Betton's question, that the two Officers should only be employed for enforcement, the Portfolio Holder respectfully referred the Member to the amendment of February 2019 which referred to all aspects of "environmental clean-up and enforcement". The Council had implemented the amendment.

In accordance with Procedure Rule 11.6, the Mayor invited Councillor Betton to ask a supplementary question should he so wish.

In response, Councillor Betton felt sure that Members would welcome the receipt of a plan and report back to the next Council meeting from the Portfolio Holder providing details of the areas attended to.

The Environment and Transport Portfolio Holder considered the suggestion to be sensible and he was happy to provide a written response.

#### **(b) Garden and Household Waste Refuse Bins**

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 11.2, the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services reported the receipt of a question submitted on notice by Councillor Betton:

Speaking at the invitation of the Mayor, Councillor Betton asked the following question:

"Carlisle City Council has since 2013 charged home owners for new large and small refuse garden waste bins if they are lost, stolen or vandalised. They also charge if new occupants move into rented house/flat accommodation where there are no bins.

However, if any refuse or garden waste bin is damaged they are replaced free of charge or if occupants of a property can prove they are in receipt of benefits bins are provided free of charge.

The current costs are £22 for small and £41 for a large new garden and refuse bin each. Refurbished are offered alternatively at £10 for a small refurbished and £21 for large refurbished garden waste or household refuse bin.

The tax payer already pays more than enough for services provided by Carlisle City Council.

Will the Portfolio Holder agree to re visit Carlisle City Council policy of charging for refuse and garden waste bins as soon as possible, look at a fairer means tested base for each individual resident of Carlisle requiring a new refuse/garden bin for whatever circumstances / reasons given and update and clarify this at the next full Council?"

The Environment and Transport Portfolio Holder reminded the Member that the charges for the replacement of green and household waste refuse bins were open for review every year when the Council considered fees and charges as part of the Budget process. Moreover, just because a policy had stood for a long time did not mean that there was anything wrong with it. However, after such a long time, the Portfolio Holder thought that the policy may be worth reviewing and he gave an undertaking to look into it.

In accordance with Procedure Rule 11.6, the Mayor invited Councillor Betton to ask a supplementary question should he so wish.

Councillor Betton said that he did challenge the old policy which, in his view, was wrong. In fairness to the people of Carlisle, he questioned how the Portfolio Holder intended to look into it, what his methods would be, and the manner by which it would come back.

The Environment and Transport Portfolio Holder replied that clearly it was not possible to determine that until he had reviewed the policy. It would be important to look at the process and related factors, including what happened now; what others were doing; together with the budgetary implications. Bins were, of course, very useful but the Council should not become the supplier of bins which were not used as refuse bins.

### **C.107/19 EXECUTIVE**

Councillor Mallinson (J) moved and Councillor Ellis seconded that the Minutes of the meetings of the Executive held on 15 April; 29 May; 10 and 17 June 2019 be received and adopted.

Referring to page 41 of Minute Book Volume 46(1), Councillor Robinson reiterated the concerns which he had raised at the last Council meeting regarding the decision to use the former Newman School site for the provision of temporary accommodation in relation to The Sands Centre Redevelopment project. He had been assured that consultation had taken place with residents and that no issues had been raised.

Councillor Robinson had, however, subsequently spoken with local residents who had not been consulted and who had massive concerns regarding the proposal. Accordingly, he questioned what form the consultation had taken and when it had taken place.

In response, the Leader undertook to investigate the issue and provide a written response.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the meetings of the Executive held on 15 April; 29 May; 10 and 17 June 2019 be received and adopted.

### **C.108/19 PORTFOLIO HOLDER REPORTS**

Copies of reports from the undernoted Portfolio Holders had been circulated prior to the meeting:

Culture, Heritage and Leisure  
Communities, Health and Wellbeing  
Environment and Transport  
Economy, Enterprise and Housing  
Finance, Governance and Resources  
Leader's Portfolio

The Culture, Heritage and Leisure Portfolio Holder; the Communities, Health and Wellbeing Portfolio Holder; and the Leader moved their reports.

Whilst moving his report, the Environment and Transport Portfolio Holder expressed gratitude and appreciation to the local businesses who had kindly offered their support for the Clean Air Day 2019 by providing prizes for the competition; the local manufacturer and the Environmental Health Team for their response to the national listeria food poisoning outbreak; and the Grounds Maintenance Team for their hard work in planting nearly 40,000 bedding plants and putting up over 150 baskets and containers throughout the parks, cemeteries and civic areas.

The Portfolio Holder also congratulated the Green Spaces Team for the achievement of a Green Flag Award for Chances Park. He added that the first meeting of the Climate Change Working Group was scheduled to take place on 22 July 2019.

The Economy, Enterprise and Housing Portfolio Holder moved his report. In so doing, the Portfolio Holder highlighted the fact that the cross party Member Advisory Group for the St Cuthbert's Garden Village project would meet in August 2019. He also complemented the Homeless Management Team for the submission of two successful bids on behalf of all the Cumbrian district local authorities to support rough sleepers and those at risk of rough sleeping, who were not owed a housing duty by the local authority and needed additional support to access suitable housing.

The Portfolio Holder further referenced the very worth while Demonstration Project at Beverly Rise, Carlisle.

The Deputy Leader, and Finance, Governance and Resources Portfolio Holder expressed thanks to Financial Services and Governance Officers for the patience and assistance provided following his election to the Executive. The Deputy Leader then moved his report.

Members questioned individual Portfolio Holders on details of their reports and it was:

RESOLVED – (1) That the reports of the Portfolio Holders be received.

(2) That the Culture, Heritage and Leisure Portfolio Holder arrange to:

- (a) Ensure that The Right Honourable John Stevenson MP is notified of the planned event to celebrate 2019 being the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Cumbria Pride, as requested by Councillor Miss Sherriff.
- (b) Investigate the manner by which Members may be able to view the promotional video and Car-free 'Travel by Rail' destination itineraries and whether those could be used to encourage local people to travel by rail more; take advice on the demonstration on the use of guns provided to children at the annual Armed Forces Day celebrations on 29 June 2019, in response to concerns expressed by Councillor Dr Davison; and provide a written response to the Councillor.

(3) That the Communities, Health and Wellbeing Portfolio Holder arrange for feedback from the Sustainable Food Cities conference held on 13 June 2019 to be provided to Councillor Dr Davison; and raise with the Chairman of the Climate Change Working Group the potential for that feedback to be taken into consideration as part of their investigation into the Council's response to climate change.

(4) That the Environment and Transport Portfolio Holder arrange:

- (a) To provide a written response to Councillor Collier clarifying the steps being taken to ensure the provision of green bins and their collection within the rural area.
- (b) That, should a memorial to former Councillor McDevitt be erected in St James' Park, an invitation be extended to his sister to attend any such event as suggested by Councillor Southward.
- (c) To investigate whether the manner by which the £18,890 grant funding allocated to the City Council from Central Government in mid-March 2019 to support community led clean-up activity could be utilised; and whether a proportion of that funding could be allocated to support the work being undertaken in Burgh-by-Sands and Dalston, and respond in writing to Councillor Allison.

(5) That, as suggested by Councillor Glover, the Economy, Enterprise and Housing Portfolio Holder write to former Councillor Mrs Heather Bradley in tribute and recognition of her passion, vision, determination and considerable work in bringing forward the Beverley Rise Demonstration Project.

#### **C.109/19 SCRUTINY MINUTES AND SCRUTINY CHAIRMEN'S REPORTS**

##### **(a) Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Panel**

Councillor Paton moved and Councillor Mrs Finlayson seconded that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Panel held on 6 June 2019 be received and adopted.

Councillor Paton also submitted his Chairman's Report.

In response to a question, the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services clarified the purpose of Scrutiny Chairmen's reports to Council.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Panel held on 6 June 2019 together with the Chairman's Report be received and adopted.

##### **(b) Business and Transformation Scrutiny Panel**

Councillor Bainbridge moved and Councillor Robson seconded that the Minutes of the Meetings of the Business and Transformation Scrutiny Panel held on 30 May and 6 June 2019 be received and adopted.

Councillor Bainbridge also submitted his Chairman's Report.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meetings of the Business and Transformation Scrutiny Panel held on 30 May and 6 June 2019 together with the Chairman's Report be received and adopted.

(c) Economic Growth Scrutiny Panel

Councillor Nedved moved and Councillor Birks seconded that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Economic Growth Scrutiny Panel held on 11 April 2019 be received and adopted.

Councillor Brown moved and Councillor Rodgeron seconded that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Economic Growth Scrutiny Panel held on 13 June 2019 be received and adopted.

Councillor Brown also submitted her Chairman's Report.

In response to a request from Councillor Morton regarding Members' questions about previous Panel Minutes, Councillor Brown undertook to seek clarification on the points raised, particularly regarding the incinerator.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the meetings of the Economic Growth Scrutiny Panel held on 11 April and 13 June 2019 together with the Chairman's Report be received and adopted.

**C.110/19 REGULATORY PANEL**

Councillor Ms Ellis-Williams moved and Councillor Morton seconded that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Regulatory Panel held on 29 May 2019 be received and adopted.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Regulatory Panel held on 29 May 2019 be received and adopted.

**C.111/19 LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Councillor Ms Ellis-Williams moved and Councillor Morton seconded that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Licensing Committee held on 29 May 2019 be received and adopted.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Licensing Committee held on 29 May 2019 be received and adopted.

**C.112/19 DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE**

Councillor Tinnion moved and Councillor Birks seconded the receipt and adoption of the Minutes of the Meetings of the Development Control Committee held on 24 and 26 April 2019.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meetings of the Development Control Committee held on 24 and 26 April 2019 be received and adopted.

**C.113/19 NOTICE OF MOTION**

**(1) LGBT+ Inclusive Relationship and Sex Education Motion**

*Councillor Ms Ellis-Williams, having declared an interest, seconded the Motion and took part in the debate.*

*Mrs Atkinson, having declared an interest, made no comment on the matter.*



Pursuant to Procedure Rule 12, the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services reported the receipt of the following motion submitted on notice by Councillor Rodgerson:

“This council welcomes the introduction of statutory relationships education and sex education (RSE), by the Conservative Government, which all primary and secondary schools in England will be required to teach from September 2020. The last guidance on relationships and sex education was updated over 20 years ago, a generation of children have grown up with outdated information. We need to ensure that we support this guidance being brought up to date and that all children are receiving the education they need to understand their own identities and to form healthy and respectful relationships.

This council will be asked to support age appropriate inclusive relationship and sex education. The term age appropriate should be taken to mean the age at which children and young people are introduced to different aspects of relationships, including sex, and should not indicate that same sex relationships should be taught at a different age to heterosexual relationships.

Recently, we have seen a small but growing minority of vocal individuals who are lobbying primary schools, spreading misinformation and in some cases leading protests outside schools, trying to stop LGBT relationship and sex education.

Ridding this country of the scourge of Section 28 is one of the Labour Party’s greatest achievements, and we must play no part in rowing back the tides of progress that have been made since then. We know that we cannot trust the Conservatives to protect LGBT rights.

People of all faiths and of none identify as being LGBT and it is vital that all children receive comprehensive and inclusive relationships and sex education, with an appreciation of their parents’ beliefs.

This council also believes that parents’ rights and religious freedoms should be respected but balanced against children’s independent, legally protected rights and the need to eliminate discrimination. We believe that schools should be supported to proactively communicate with parents and carers about the nature and importance of relationship and sex education and the detrimental effects that withdrawal may have on their children.

This council also believes that it is important to work with teachers delivering relationship and sex education classes, to ensure that they are receiving the best and most sound advice and support. Teachers who deliver these lessons must also be protected and given the most up-to-date training on inclusive relationship and sex education, ensuring they can deliver top quality classes that discuss LGBT relationships that are also dealt with sensitively.

This council resolves to:

- Support the new Statutory guidelines on compulsory relationship and sex education in primary and secondary schools, which is LGBT+ inclusive and promotes respect, acceptance and diversity.
- Condemn, unequivocally, the actions outside schools as unacceptable and as likely to harm young people.

- Support all teachers who deliver RSE lessons and promote the protection and training of teachers who will deliver these lessons.
- Promote the most up-to-date training for teachers, ensuring that the subject is approached with sensitivity. “

Councillor Rodgerson began by expressing the hope that the whole Council could support the Motion, the subject matter in relation to which was most important.

To that end, and pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 14.7, Councillor Rodgerson wished to alter his Motion by the removal of the final sentence in paragraph 4, namely: “We know that we cannot trust the Conservatives to protect LGBT rights.”; consent was given by the meeting to the proposed alteration and the Motion as amended became the substantive motion.

Councillor Rodgerson then moved and Councillor Ms Ellis-Williams seconded the substantive motion.

Councillor Rodgerson then elaborated in some detail upon the reasons for submission of the motion, indicating that he would encourage all Members lend their support.

The substantive motion was debated at length, during which a number of Members signified their support.

Councillor Rodgerson further responded to questions posed during the debate.

In discussion it was suggested that, since education lay within the remit of Cumbria County Council, colleagues who also served on that Council may be best placed to take the matter forward with that authority.

**RESOLVED – That the substantive Motion of Councillor Rodgerson, as set out below, be UNANIMOUSLY AGREED:**

“This council welcomes the introduction of statutory relationships education and sex education (RSE), by the Conservative Government, which all primary and secondary schools in England will be required to teach from September 2020. The last guidance on relationships and sex education was updated over 20 years ago, a generation of children have grown up with outdated information. We need to ensure that we support this guidance being brought up to date and that all children are receiving the education they need to understand their own identities and to form healthy and respectful relationships.

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- Promote the most up-to-date training for teachers, ensuring that the subject is approached with sensitivity. “

## **(2) Lamp Post and Fixed Litter Bins**

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 12, the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services reported the receipt of the following motion submitted on notice by Councillor Betton:

“There are in each of every thirteen ward members' areas, locations needing bins for general litter and waste.

A couple of successful pilot schemes have been carried out in Carlisle by this Council where small litter bins have been attached to street lamp posts.

Likewise, there is also a need for extra street litter bins where there are none over a considerable distance in certain hot spot areas that are needed.

These can't be provided as it is not Council policy to provide any new fixed street litter bins but litter bins from other areas can be removed and relocated.

This Council agree to have 30 lamp post mountable bins and 30 street bins to be costed, purchased and fixed in areas of priority need evenly within identified hot spots over the 13 ward areas.”

Councillor Christian raised a point of order in accordance with Procedure Rule 14.12 indicating that, in the event that the motion was carried, the Council may be agreeing to the affixing of bins to lamp posts which were not in the authority’s ownership thus committing criminal damage.

In response, the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services advised that the Council was at liberty to debate the motion and take a view thereon. The motion did not necessarily commit the Council to taking action, but would represent strongly to the Executive the Council’s wishes on the matter.

Prior authority from the owners of the lamp posts would be required, in addition to which a supplementary estimate would be necessary to cover the associated expenditure. It would, therefore, be necessary to submit a report to the Executive, Scrutiny, back to the Executive and on to Council seeking approval for that expenditure.

Importantly, the motion as presented this evening did not afford Members the ability to take advice from the Council’s S.151 Officer, the Deputy Chief Executive or the Governance Directorate on the legalities of the proposed course of action.

Councillor Dr Tickner pointed out that the Council could, of course, erect posts on land within its ownership.

Councillor Mallinson (J) (Leader) asked whether Councillor Betton would be willing to hold his motion in abeyance to afford the Executive the opportunity to investigate the matter, including the points identified by the Corporate Director; and factors such as collection costs; and present a workable option for submission to a future meeting of the City Council.

In accordance with Procedure Rule 14.8 and, having received the Leader’s assurance that a report would be submitted to Council in order that an informed decision may be taken, Councillor Betton agreed to withdraw his Motion.

On that basis, and in accordance with Procedure Rule 14.8, the motion was WITHDRAWN.

### **(3) Carlisle Airport**

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 12, the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services reported the receipt of the following motion submitted on notice by Councillor Bainbridge:

“This Council welcomes the return of passenger flights to Carlisle Airport.

The re-establishing of passenger flights after a generation, has been a lengthy process encompassing many difficulties along the way.

The airport has the potential to play a significant role in the future growth of the local economy, as well as enabling residents to better access destinations both within the UK and abroad. As such, this Council requests that the Chief Executive on behalf of the Council write to Stobart Air, Loganair and the relevant bodies who have provided grant funding, to express our appreciation and goodwill for the future airport operations.”

Councillor Bainbridge moved and Councillor Nedved seconded the motion.

Councillor Bainbridge then elaborated in some detail upon the reasons for submission of the motion, requesting that Members lend their support.

Substantial discussion ensued, during which a Member posed questions and outlined her opposition / concerns on a number of grounds including the environmental impact of air travel upon the current climate emergency; and the need to encourage greater travel by rail / bus and the development of a proper joined up transport network.

Other Members spoke in support of the motion referencing, amongst other things, the economic benefits for Cumbria which would emanate from increased connectivity and the reduction in the carbon footprint of individuals if they did not require to drive to alternative airports.

in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 14.11(ii), Councillor Bomford moved and Councillor Betton seconded that the vote be now taken.

Following voting, it was:

RESOLVED – That the Motion of Councillor Bainbridge, as set out above was CARRIED.

In accordance with Procedure Rule 17.5, Councillor Dr Davison wished it to be recorded that she was opposed to the Motion outlined above.

#### **C.114/19      PROPOSALS FROM THE EXECUTIVE IN RELATION TO THE COUNCIL'S BUDGET AND POLICY FRAMEWORK**

##### **(i)      Provisional General Fund Revenue Outturn 2018/19**

Pursuant to Minute EX.36/19 and EX.48/19, consideration was given to a report of the Corporate Director of Finance and Resources (RD.13/19 - amended) summarising the 2018/19 provisional outturn for the General Fund Revenue budgets.

Extracts from the Minutes of the meetings of the Executive held on 29 May and 17 June 2019; the Business and Transformation Scrutiny Panel on 30 May 2019; and Audit Committee held on 8 July 2019 had been circulated.

Councillor Ellis moved and Councillor Mallinson (J) seconded the recommendations set out within the report, following which it was AGREED that the City Council:

1. Approve the carry forward requests totalling £406,700 to be incurred in 2019/20 and the release of £406,700 in 2019/20 from the General Fund Reserve as set out in the report;

2. Approve the creation of new reserves and transfers into and from the new and existing reserves of £206,275, in addition to the transfer from the building control reserve of £32,637, as detailed in paragraphs 3.2, 3.3 and 3.4 and Appendix 2 of the report; and
3. Approve the revised delegations for the release of the Building Control Reserve.

(ii) Provisional Capital Outturn 2018/19 and Revised Capital Programme 2019/20

Pursuant to Minute EX.37/19 and EX.49/19, consideration was given to a report of the Corporate Director of Finance and Resources (RD.14/19 - amended) providing details of the 2018/19 provisional outturn for the Council's Capital Programme, together with details of the revised Capital Programme for 2019/20. The report now also reflected the decision made by Council on 25 June 2019 in respect of The Sands Centre Redevelopment.

Extracts from the Minutes of the meetings of the Executive held on 29 May and 17 June 2019; the Business and Transformation Scrutiny Panel on 30 May 2019; and Audit Committee held on 8 July 2019 had been circulated.

Councillor Ellis moved and Councillor Mallinson (J) seconded the recommendations set out within the report, following which it was AGREED that the City Council:

1. Approve the carry forward requests totalling £2,253,900 to be met in 2019/20 as set out in the report;
2. Approve the ring-fencing of £120,000 capital receipts for repayment of a previous grant as set out in paragraph 3.1;
3. Approve the revised programme for 2019/20, together with the proposed methods of financing, as detailed at paragraph 3 which now incorporated the updated budgets for The Sands Centre Redevelopment.

(iii) Treasury Management Outturn 2018/19

Pursuant to Minute EX.38/19, consideration was given to a report of the Corporate Director of Finance and Resources (RD.03/19) providing the annual report on Treasury Management as required under both the Financial Procedure Rules and the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management. Also included was the regular report on Treasury Transactions.

Extracts from the Minutes of the Executive; the Business and Transformation Scrutiny Panel and Audit Committee meetings held on 29 and 30 May; and 8 July 2019 respectively had been circulated.

Councillor Ellis presented and moved the report; Councillor Mallinson (J) seconded, and it was AGREED:

That the City Council approved the Treasury Management Outturn report for 2018/19 as required under both the Financial Procedure Rules and the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management.

(iv) Food Law Enforcement Service Plan

*Councillors Bainbridge and Mitchelson, having declared a disclosable pecuniary interest, retired from the Council Chamber and took no part in this item of business.*

*Councillor Allison, having declared an interest, also left the meeting.*

Pursuant to Minute EX.41/19 and EX.50/19, consideration was given to a recommendation from the Executive concerning the Food Law Enforcement Service Plan. A copy of Report GD.36/19 and relevant Minute Extracts had been circulated.

Councillor Christian moved, Councillor Mallinson (J) seconded, and it was:

RESOLVED – That the City Council approved the key actions of the Food Law Enforcement Service Plan in accordance with the Council's Budget and Policy Framework.

**C.115/19 BUSINESS AND TRANSFORMATION SCRUTINY PANEL START TIME**

Consideration was given to a report of the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services (GD.37/19) seeking Council approval to amend the Civic Calendar so that the 2019/20 Business and Transformation Scrutiny Panel meetings start at 4.00 pm as from 20 August 2019.

Copies of the report, which set out the background position and proposals before Members for consideration, and Extract from the Minutes, had been circulated.

Councillor Bainbridge moved, Councillor Mallinson (J) seconded, and it was:

RESOLVED – That Council amended the Civic Calendar so that the 2019/20 Business and Transformation Scrutiny Panel meetings start at 4.00pm as from 22 August 2019.

**C.116/19 OPERATION OF THE PROVISIONS RELATING TO CALL-IN AND URGENCY**

Pursuant to Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 15(i) and Access to Information Procedure Rule 17.3, consideration was given to a report of the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services (GD.40/19) on the operation of call-in and urgency procedures.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

**C.117/19 COMMUNICATIONS**

There were no communications or items of business brought forward by the Mayor as a matter of urgency to be dealt with at the meeting.

[The meeting ended at 9.15 pm]