MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CABINET HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 10 JULY 2013

COUNCILLORS

PRESENT Doug Taylor (Leader of the Council), Achilleas Georgiou

(Deputy Leader), Chris Bond (Cabinet Member for Environment), Bambos Charalambous (Cabinet Member for Culture, Leisure, Youth and Localism), Del Goddard (Cabinet Member for Business and Regeneration), Donald McGowan (Cabinet Member for Adult Services, Care and Health), Ayfer Orhan (Cabinet Member for Children & Young People), Ahmet Oykener (Cabinet Member for Housing) and Andrew Stafford

(Cabinet Member for Finance and Property)

ABSENT Christine Hamilton (Cabinet Member for Community Wellbeing

and Public Health)

OFFICERS: Rob Leak (Chief Executive), James Rolfe (Director of Finance,

Resources and Customer Services), Neil Rousell (Director of Regeneration, Leisure & Culture), Andrew Fraser (Director of Schools & Children's Services), Ian Davis (Director of Environment), Ray James (Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care), Asmat Hussain (Assistant Director Legal), John Austin (Assistant Director - Corporate Governance), David Levy (Assistant Director Procurement) and Suzanne

Linsey (Press Officer) Jacqui Hurst (Secretary)

Also Attending: Councillors Alev Cazimoglu, Lee Chamberlain, Derek Levy

and Mike Rye.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for lateness was received from Councillor Doug Taylor (Leader of the Council). In his absence Councillor Achilleas Georgiou (Deputy Leader of the Council) acted as Chairman of the meeting pending the arrival of Councillor Taylor.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Christine Hamilton (Cabinet Member for Community Wellbeing and Public Health).

2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

All Cabinet Members present (including Councillor Taylor on his arrival) declared a non-pecuniary interest in Report No.25 – Alleged Construction

Industry Blacklisting (Minute No.10 below refers) in their capacity as members of trade unions.

3 URGENT ITEMS

NOTED that the reports listed on the agenda had been circulated in accordance with the requirements of the Council's Constitution and the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information and Meetings) (England) Regulations 2012 with the exception of the following reports:

Report No.22 – Revenue Outturn 2012/13 and 2014/15 Budget and Financial Outlook

Report No.26 – Barnet, Enfield and Haringey (BEH) Clinical Strategy

Report No.31 – Re-provision Project – Next Steps (part two report)

These requirements state that agendas and reports should be circulated at least 5 clear days in advance of meetings.

AGREED that these reports be considered at this meeting.

4 DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS

NOTED that no requests for deputations (with or without petitions) had been received for presentation to this Cabinet meeting.

5 ITEMS TO BE REFERRED TO THE COUNCIL

NOTE: There was a requirement for the following report to be referred to full Council for agreement to the inclusion of the project in the Council's capital programme:

1. Report Nos. 29 and 31 – Re-provision Project – Next Steps

6 ISSUES ARISING FROM THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL/SCRUTINY PANELS

6.1 Reference from the Crime and Safety and Strong Communities Scrutiny Panel – Metal Theft

Councillor Achilleas Georgiou (Deputy Leader of the Council) welcomed Councillor Mike Rye (Chairman of the Crime and Safety and Strong Communities Scrutiny Panel) to the meeting and invited him to present the report of the Scrutiny Panel to the Cabinet.

- 1. Members' attention was drawn to the recommendations detailed in the report and it was noted that the report also included specific recommendations for the Metropolitan Police.
- 2. that the Council had suffered significant financial losses due to metal theft from parks and of gullies. This was a national issue and had affected a number of councils.
- a discussion took place on the issues highlighted in the report and the proposals for future Council actions/responses as set out in the report's recommendations.
- 4. Councillor Bond (Cabinet Member for Environment) expressed his thanks to the Scrutiny Panel for the detailed piece of work which had been undertaken and the report which had highlighted issues for further Council consideration. In particular, the Council could consider secure storage for metal mechanical and grass cutting equipment over the winter period, and, future arrangements for the collection of white goods. In addition, it was noted that a new Licensing scheme was being introduced. Members suggested that a copy of this report and the actions being taken by the Council be sent to the Government Minister responsible for formulating the new guidelines.
- 5. Ian Davis (Director Environment) reported on the high value of the metal which had been the subject of theft and outlined the work which was being carried out within Highways. The recommendation with regard to parks equipment was being taken forward and it was noted that the Council's new depot was CCTV enabled.
- 6. In conclusion, Councillor Bond reported that a formal response on the report's recommendations and the Council's proposed actions would be provided to the Scrutiny Panel.

Members expressed their thanks to the Scrutiny Panel for their comprehensive review and report.

Alternative Options Considered: None.

DECISION: The Cabinet considered the recommendations detailed in the report and agreed to provide a formal response to the Scrutiny Panel on the following issues:

- 1. when a new application for registration was received from an address where there was already a registration in place under a different surname; the system should automatically flag this as a potential issue for investigation;
- 2. consideration be given to replacing existing metal at the end of its lifetime or when stolen with an alternative material, particularly in areas with low public or council footprint;

- 3. the Council request that consideration be given by the Home Office for a new crime classification for metal theft and for this to be made a national requirement. This was to allow metal theft to be recorded as part of the standard report rather than being a searchable crime (subject to approval by English Heritage in areas with a conservation status). In addition the three Enfield MPs be asked to formally support this request;
- 4. consideration be given to publishing an annual report on scrap metal dealers and itinerants flagging up examples of good and bad practice;
- 5. during the winter period metal mechanical and grass cutting equipment not in use by parks should be stored in a more secure location;
- 6. the Council consider collecting white goods for free. The Council should consider using an incentive to encourage residents to use the Council to pick up white goods. This service should provide a date and time for collection to ensure that the goods were collected by the Council.
- 7. that a copy of this report and the actions being taken by the Council be sent to the Government Minister responsible for formulating the new Licensing scheme guidelines for consideration.

Reason: To support the "Strong Communities" commitment from the Council's manifesto. To provide strong community leadership and work in partnership with others to ensure Enfield is a safe and healthy place to live. (Non key)

7 REVENUE OUTTURN 2012/13 AND 2014/15 BUDGET AND FINANCIAL OUTLOOK

Councillor Andrew Stafford (Cabinet Member for Finance and Property) introduced the report of the Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services (No. 22) setting out the overall Council General Fund and Housing Revenue Account outturn position for 2012/13 and providing an update on the 2014/15 budget including an assessment of the financial outlook as well as the work being undertaken to address the financial implications.

- 1. the significant level of savings achieved by the Council over the last three years at a time of reduced Government subsidy and nil increase in council tax levels:
- 2. that recommendation 2.2 in the report sought agreement to the transfer of the underspend in 2012/13 to the Council's reserves (decision 2 below refers);

- 3. that the appendices to the report detailed the project carry forwards for each Department and the outturn position;
- 4. that Table 2 in the report provided a summary of the project carry forwards. Table 3 in the report set out additional specific reserves.
- 5. the current economic position was noted and that the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan was on course. The budget process for 2014/15 had begun, as set out in section 7 of the report.
- 6. Members' attention was drawn to how the budget risks had been managed as set out in section 11 of the report. The Medium Term Financial Plan was prudent, affordable and sustainable.
- 7. Councillor Ayfer Orhan (Cabinet Member for Children and Young People) extended her congratulations to Councillor Stafford and officers for the exceptional work which had been undertaken to ensure the Council's budget was prudent and affordable as set out in the report and detailed above.

Alternative Options Considered: NOTED that Cabinet could discuss and agree alternative uses of the 2013/14 underspend. Alternative options to the current budget process were being reviewed for presentation to Cabinet in November along with progress in balancing the 2014/15 budget. The Medium Term Financial Plan was being updated for alternative Government spending plans.

DECISION: The Cabinet

- 1. noted the General Fund and Housing Revenue Account (HRA) outturn for 2012/13;
- 2. agreed to transfer the underspend of £1.178m in 2012/13 to the Council's reserves (paragraph 4.3 of the report referred);
- 3. agreed the project carry forwards summarised in paragraph 4.4 of the report and detailed in the service appendices;
- 4. agreed specific changes to reserves as set out in paragraph 4.6 of the report and detailed in the service appendices;
- 5. noted the latest position regarding the 2014/15 budget and financial outlook as reported in Section 7.3 of the report as well as the approach to be adopted for the budget consultation (paragraph 7.5 of the report referred).

Reason: To ensure that Members were aware of the outturn position for the authority including all major variances which had contributed to the outturn position.

(Key decision – reference number 3731)

8 CAPITAL OUTTURN 2012/13

Councillor Andrew Stafford (Cabinet Member for Finance and Property) introduced the report of the Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services (No.23) informing Members of the capital investment undertaken in 2012/13, and the way in which it had been funded.

NOTED

- that in 2012/13 the Council's capital expenditure amounted to £127.0m compared with the latest programme of £148.7m. The resulting favourable variance of £21.7m was comprised of £11.9m Housing projects and £9.8m of General Fund projects. This was mainly due to re-profiling of schemes where the resources would be carried forward to 2013/14;
- 2. the range and extent of the capital projects which were being undertaken including the school expansion programme, regeneration projects, highways and housing, as detailed in full in the report.
- 3. the financial overview of the capital programme and the Council's prudential indicators as detailed in sections 5 and 6 of the report. It was recognised that there would be a continued need for Council borrowing and disposals to fund future capital projects.
- 4. Councillor Ayfer Orhan (Cabinet Member for Children and Young People) extended her congratulations to Councillor Stafford and officers for the achievement of an extensive and significant capital programme.

Alternative Options Considered: None stated.

DECISION: The Cabinet

- 1. noted the achievements and improved outcomes resulting from the Council's investments in capital projects;
- 2. agreed the funding of the Council's capital expenditure as set out in report (paragraph 5.2 of the report referred);
- 3. noted the outturn for the Council's prudential indicators (section 6 of the report referred).

Reason: To inform Members of the final position on capital expenditure and financing for one year.

(Key decision – reference number 3732)

Councillor Doug Taylor (Leader of the Council) arrived at this point in the Cabinet meeting and acted as Chairman for the remainder of the meeting.

9 QUARTERLY CORPORATE PERFORMANCE REPORT

Councillor Achilleas Georgiou (Deputy Leader) introduced the report of the Chief Executive (No.24) presenting the third quarterly report on the Corporate Performance Scorecard.

NOTED

- 1. that the Council was performing well across a range of indicators, as detailed in the report;
- in response to questions raised by Councillor Rye, Andrew Fraser (Director of Schools and Children's Services) agreed to provide clarification to Councillor Rye on the figures detailed in the report in relation to Educational Attainment.

Alternative Options Considered: Not to report regularly on the Council's performance. This would make it difficult to assess progress made on achieving the Council's main priorities and to demonstrate the value for money being provided by Council services.

DECISION: The Cabinet noted the progress made towards delivering the identified key priority indicators for Enfield.

Reason: To update Cabinet on the progress made against all key priority performance indicators for the Council.

(Key decision – reference number 3715)

10 ALLEGED CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY BLACKLISTING

NOTED that all Cabinet Members present had declared a non-pecuniary interest in this report in their capacity as members of trade unions (Minute No.2 above refers).

Councillor Andrew Stafford (Cabinet Member for Finance and Property) introduced the report of the Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services (No.25) highlighting the practice of "blacklisting" which had allegedly been used by construction companies to restrict the employment opportunities for workers in the industry based on their affiliation to trade unions.

NOTED

1. that the report set out Enfield Council's proposed responses to these allegations;

- 2. in response to questions raised, the legality of the blacklist was discussed together with relevant legislation and legal actions that could be taken. Members noted paragraph 6.2.3 of the report;
- 3. that the report outlined the Council's position and reiterated their commitment to fairness for all. Members requested that a letter be sent to the relevant Government Minister highlighting the Council's concerns and requesting that the Information Commissioner be given additional powers on this matter.

Alternative Options Considered: Not applicable.

DECISION: The Cabinet agreed to

- 1. condemn the alleged practice of blacklisting by construction companies;
- 2. support the national union campaign by not allowing tenders from companies who subscribe to the use of unlawful construction industry blacklists from the date of this Cabinet decision:
- 3. the amendment of the Council's procurement documentation for future construction projects, which would request bidders to confirm that they do not subscribe to the use of unlawful construction industry "blacklists" and exclude tenderers who refuse to do so.
- 4. encourage other publicly funded organisations to adopt the same approach in their procurement practices.

Reason: Owing to the concentration of construction activity in and around large cities, many of those alleged to have been discriminated against live in the country's major cities, and this practice may have disadvantaged residents in Enfield (section 5 of the report referred).

(Key decision – reference number 3742)

11 BARNET, ENFIELD AND HARINGEY (BEH) CLINICAL STRATEGY

Councillor Don McGowan (Cabinet Member for Adult Services, Care and Health) introduced the report of the Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services and Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care (No.26) setting the context for local health services and appraising Cabinet of the outcomes of work undertaken across both the Executive and Scrutiny functions of the Council to date.

Councillor McGowan made the following statement:

"Enfield Council is playing a vital role in holding the Government and NHS to account and ensuring that the health services in Enfield meet the needs of

residents and help to tackle the inequalities in life expectancy across the borough.

We have significant concerns about the current level of primary care provision in Enfield just three months before a decision is being made on the future of the A&E and Maternity departments at Chase Farm and believe significant and rapid improvements need to be made to improve the quality of GPs surgeries and the number of doctor appointments that are available to our residents.

We have written to the Secretary of State to urge him to bring an immediate halt to the process of the withdrawal of acute and maternity services from Chase Farm Hospital until these matters have been addressed.

The Council's number one priority is to ensure the best possible healthcare for residents and we will decide in due course how we can best protect residents. Local people are overwhelmingly against the closure of these two services and want them to remain open but ultimately the fate of Chase Farm lies in the hands of the Secretary of State."

- that in order to obtain a level of clarity on the current position and plans, the Council had commissioned independent clinical experts, Hygeian to establish the current position of primary and community based services, the status of hospital services (in particular A&E and maternity) and provide a picture of what good primary and community based services should look like (as appended to the report at Appendix 1);
- 2. that the NHS was working towards the date of November 2013 to implement the Barnet, Enfield and Haringey Clinical Strategy and had announced that the formal decision would be made in September;
- 3. the concerns which had been highlighted in the independent report and the lack of data which had been forthcoming from the NHS;
- 4. that a letter of support of the Council's position had been received from Nick De Bois, MP;
- 5. that Councillor Doug Taylor (Leader of the Council) had today written to the Secretary of State for Health regarding the proposed reconfiguration of Chase Farm, Barnet and North Middlesex Hospitals. In conclusion the letter had sought the immediate cessation of the process of the withdrawal of acute and maternity services from Chase Farm Hospital whilst the outstanding matters of concern could be properly resolved.
- 6. Councillor Taylor highlighted a number of issues of concern which continued to be raised including an underestimated increase in the

population of Enfield; the poor performance of A&E services in the area (second worst in London); and, concerns that large tranches of the primary care and transport strategies would not have been implemented by the target date for the withdrawal of hospital-based services.

- 7. that the report was seeking approval to the delegation of authority for pursuing any and all legal action (decision 2 below refers);
- 8. Councillor Charalambous drew Members' attention to section 6 of the report outlining the Health Needs and Health Inequalities in Enfield. The statistics highlighted the need for improved health services in the Borough.
- 9. Councillor Mike Rye expressed the support of the Council's opposition Members of the actions being taken by the Council and the concerns highlighted.
- 10. that an important element of concern was the lack of sufficient health data on which decisions could be based. It was noted that the local NHS had been encouraged to be transparent and make the necessary data available.

Alternative Options Considered: To do nothing and allow the BEH Clinical Strategy to proceed without external scrutiny.

DECISION: The Cabinet

- noted the NHS timetable for decision-making in relation to the removal of A&E and Maternity services from Chase Farm Hospital and endorsed the taking of all reasonable steps by the Council in that regard to safeguard health care services for Enfield residents, including urgent legal action if appropriate;
- 2. agreed to delegate responsibility for any and all legal action, including urgent legal action to the Leader of the Council in consultation with the Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services and Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care;
- 3. noted that the work of the Council's appointed experts were hampered and constrained by a lack of data from the NHS bodies on activity in A&E, maternity and primary care.

Reason: The Council was seeking to act in the interest of local people, to ensure their needs and very real concerns were represented in respect of the provision of safe and accessible health care services in Enfield. Should circumstances arise in which legal action was considered appropriate in relation to Chase Farm Hospital, it would be essential for the Council to act promptly. In this context, promptness would require a challenge to be brought very quickly once a decision had been made by the NHS (i.e. within a week or

two). Even a relatively short delay could risk jeopardising the success of any legal challenge. As such, there would not be time to seek approval from Cabinet with the necessary flexibility to take an urgent decision if the situation warrants it.

(Non key)

12 ALMA PHASE 1 (ACADEMY STREET) DEVELOPMENT - COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER

Councillor Ahmet Oykener (Cabinet Member for Housing) introduced the report of the Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care and Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services (No.27) recommending the making of the Academy Street Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO).

NOTED

- 1. that Report No.33 also referred, as detailed in Minute No.23 below;
- 2. that the Council was in the process of re-naming Academy Street to Dujardin Mews, which would be the title used in future reports;
- 3. that the CPO was required as a contingency measure should the Council fail to reach a negotiated settlement with the third party landowners.
- 4. that this development would include some of the first new Council homes in approximately forty years, paragraph 3.18 of the report referred. This was a significant achievement in the current economic climate.
- 5. the bedroom mix for the scheme was as set out in paragraph 3.19 of the report.
- 6. compulsory purchase of the legal interests of the third party landowners would enable the development of the site to provide new homes, which would re-house tenants and leaseholders affected by the Alma Estate Regeneration, as outlined in paragraph 3.22 of the report;
- 7. Councillor Ayfer Orhan stated that this was an exciting project for residents in Ponders End and was a significant step towards the regeneration of the Alma estate. The local community had been involved in the proposals.

Alternative Options Considered: For the Council to not make a CPO for Academy Street 2013. Without CPO powers the Council could not guarantee that the requisite land could be assembled to enable the consented scheme to be delivered.

DECISION: The Cabinet

- noted the draft statement of reasons attached to the report which set out the justification for making the Academy Street CPO 2013 in relation to the land shown at Appendix 1 to the report;
- 2. noted the indicative timeline for the CPO process for the Academy Street CPO 2013 detailed in Appendix 3 to the report;
- 3. agreed to delegate authority to the Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care in consultation with the Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services:
 - a) to publish the draft London Borough of Enfield (Academy Street) Compulsory Purchase Order 2013, to seek confirmation of the Secretary of State and if confirmed, implement the Order.
 - b) to modify the draft Statement of Reasons, detailed in Appendix 4 of the report, the Order Plan and effect any other procedural requirements including (but not limited to) the publication and service of all notices and the presentation of the Council's case at any public inquiry.
 - c) to acquire any interests in land within the Order area by agreement and the making of payments equivalent to statutory compensation and the provision of property or services in lieu of compensation, in contemplation of the Order being made.
 - d) if and when the Order was confirmed then to acquire by compulsion and make payments of statutory compensation, if voluntary agreements could not be reached.

Reason: To provide the Council with a legal option to ensure that vehicular access could be secured to enable the development to take place and that a key pedestrian route was adopted and integrated within the scheme to ensure much needed new homes could be delivered. The Council could not guarantee delivery of the planning consented development without CPO powers. These new homes were needed to enable the delivery of the Alma Regeneration Programme.

(Key decision – reference number 3694)

13 TENDER FOR THE PROVISION OF HOUSING RELATED FLOATING SUPPORT

Councillor Ahmet Oykener (Cabinet Member for Housing) introduced the report of the Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care (No.28) setting out the process and result of the tender for three Housing Related Floating Support contracts, and making recommendations for the award of contracts.

- 1. that Report No.30 also referred, as detailed in Minute No.24 below;
- 2. that the recommended award of contracts would deliver savings of £370k per annum for the Council.

Alternative Options Considered: NOTED the alternative options considered were not providing the services or procuring a single larger service rather than three contracts, as set out in section 4 of the report.

DECISION: The Cabinet agreed that the contracts be awarded in line with the recommendations detailed in Report No.30, Minute No.24 below refers.

Reason: The recommendations had been made following a detailed prequalification questionnaire, tender process and a thorough evaluation, using the expertise of a multi-disciplinary evaluation panel.

(Key decision – reference number 3724)

14 RE-PROVISION PROJECT - NEXT STEPS

Councillor Don McGowan (Cabinet Member for Adult Services, Care and Health) introduced the report of the Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care (No.29) proposing a way forward in terms of next steps in the development and delivery of the re-provision project.

NOTED that Report No.31 also referred, as detailed in Minute No.25 below.

Alternative Options Considered: As detailed in Report No.31, Minute No.25 below refers.

DECISION: The Cabinet agreed to the commissioning and building of a dual registered nursing and residential care home and then separately the procurement of the service delivery aspect of the project (as detailed in Report No.31, Minute No.25 below refers).

Reason: The proposed way forward, supported by related recommendations for consideration had been identified as posing least risk and offers the most viable approach, given the current market situation.

(Key decision – reference number 3593)

15 CABINET AGENDA PLANNING - FUTURE ITEMS

- 1. the provisional list of items scheduled for future Cabinet meetings.
- 2. that the Annual Reports from the Adults and Children Safeguarding Boards were due to be considered at the September Cabinet meeting.

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NOTICE OF KEY DECISION LIST

NOTED that the next Notice of Key Decisions List was due to be published on 30 July 2013, this would be effective from 1 September 2013.

17 MINUTES

AGREED that the minutes of the previous meeting of the Cabinet held on 19 June 2013 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

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MINUTES OF ENFIELD RESIDENTS PRIORITY FUND CABINET SUB-COMMITTEE - 6 JUNE 2013

NOTED, the minutes of a meeting of the Enfield Residents' Priority Fund Cabinet Sub-Committee held on 6 June 2013.

19 MINUTES OF POLICY CABINET SUB-COMMITTEE - 17 JUNE 2013

NOTED, the minutes of a meeting of the Policy Cabinet Sub-Committee held on 17 June 2013.

20 ENFIELD STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP FEEDBACK

NOTED that there were no written updates to be received at this meeting. An update would be presented to the September Cabinet meeting.

21 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

NOTED, that the next meeting of the Cabinet was scheduled to take place on Wednesday 18 September 2013 at 8.15pm.

22 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the press and public from the meeting for the items of business listed on part 2 of the agenda on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of confidential information as defined in Paragraph 3 (information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act (as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006).

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ALMA PHASE 1 (ACADEMY STREET) DEVELOPMENT - COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER

Councillor Ahmet Oykener (Cabinet Member for Housing) introduced the report of the Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care and Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services (No.33).

NOTED

- 1. that Report No.27 also referred as detailed in Minute No.12 above;
- 2. the additional information presented in support of Report No.27 referred to in Minute No.12 above. Members noted in particular the key risks set out in section 7 of the report.

Alternative Options Considered: As detailed in Report No.27 Minute No.12 above refers.

Reason: As detailed in Report No.27, Minute No.12 above refers. **(Key decision – reference number 3694)**

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TENDER FOR THE PROVISION OF HOUSING RELATED FLOATING SUPPORT

Councillor Ahmet Oykener (Cabinet Member for Housing) introduced the report of the Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care (No.30) setting out the process and result of the tender for the three Housing Related Floating Support contracts.

NOTED

- 1. that Report No.28 also referred as detailed in Minute No.13 above;
- 2. the detailed evaluation and scoring of the bids as set out in the report.
- 3. Members were pleased to note that the London Living Wage was being offered. The contracts were delivering savings to the Council whilst still maintaining reasonable rates of pay for the employees.

Alternative Options Considered: As detailed in section 4 of the report.

DECISION: The Cabinet agreed that the Housing Related Floating Support contracts be awarded as detailed in section 2.1 of the report.

Reason: The recommendations had been made following a thorough evaluation process, using the expertise of a multi-disciplinary evaluation panel.

(Key decision – reference number 3724)

25 RE-PROVISION PROJECT - NEXT STEPS

Councillor Don McGowan (Cabinet Member for Adult Services, Care and Health) introduced the report of the Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care (No.31).

NOTED

- 1. that Report No.29 also referred, as detailed in Minute No.14 above;
- the detailed background to the proposals and the processes which had been followed by the Council over the last two years as outlined in the report.
- 3. Members discussed the proposals, the costs and risks as set out in the report and the recommended way forward. The recommended option would provide the Council with greater control and certainty in the longer term.

Alternative Options Considered: NOTED the full and detailed alternative options which had been considered as set out in section 4 of the report.

DECISION: The Cabinet agreed

- 1. to commission the building of the dual registered nursing and residential care facility.
- 2. to then procure the service delivery aspect of the project separately.
- 3. to commission the facility in a manner that ensures the most advantageous cost and is of a quality fit for purpose, reflecting best value to the Council. This may include commissioning through the use of a framework agreement such as Scape, or other, as appropriate.
- 4. to approve, for recommendation to full Council, the addition of the Reprovision Project to the Council's capital programme, at an estimated project cost of £6.86 million, over 37 months, which includes expenditure on professional and technical costs. To facilitate undertaking inception, feasibility and scheme design stages estimated at £200k.
- 5. that delegated authority be given to the Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care and the Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services to authorise further expenditure for professional and technical coast as may be necessary for taking this project to formal contract execution stage.

RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL to approve the addition of the Re-provision Project to the Council's capital programme, at an estimated project cost of £6.86 million, over 37 months, which includes expenditure on professional and technical costs. To facilitate undertaking inception, feasibility and scheme design stages estimated at £200k.

Reason: The reasons for the recommendations were set out in section 5 of the report.

(Key decision – reference number 3593)