

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CABINET
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 18 OCTOBER 2017**

COUNCILLORS

PRESENT

Doug Taylor (Leader of the Council), Achilleas Georgiou (Deputy Leader), Daniel Anderson (Cabinet Member for Environment), Yasemin Brett (Cabinet Member for Community, Arts and Culture), Alev Cazimoglu (Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care), Krystle Fonyonga (Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Public Health), Dino Lemonides (Cabinet Member for Finance and Efficiency), Ayfer Orhan (Cabinet Member for Education, Children's Services and Protection) and Alan Sitkin (Cabinet Member for Economic Regeneration and Business Development)

Associate Cabinet Members (Non-Executive and Non-Voting): Dinah Barry (Enfield West), Vicki Pite (Enfield North), George Savva (Enfield South East)

ABSENT

Ahmet Oykenner (Cabinet Member for Housing and Housing Regeneration)

OFFICERS:

Ian Davis (Chief Executive), Tony Theodoulou (Executive Director of Children's Services), James Rolfe (Executive Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services), Gary Barnes (Acting Executive Director of Regeneration and Environment), Bindi Nagra (Director of Adult Social Care), Jayne Middleton-Albooye (Acting Assistant Director of Legal and Governance), Nicky Fiedler (Assistant Director - Public Realm, Environment), Peter George (Assistant Director, Regeneration and Planning), Doug Wilson (Head of Strategy, Performance and Policy), Sharon Burgess (Head of Service - Safeguarding Adults, Complaints and Quality Assurance) and Andrew Golder (Press and New Media Manager) Jacqui Hurst (Secretary)

Also Attending:

Councillor Derek Levy (Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee), Councillor Robert Hayward, Councillor Elif Erbil, and Christabel Shawcross (Independent Chair, Enfield Safeguarding Adults Board)

Prior to the start of the meeting, Members stood for a minute's silence in remembrance of Councillor Turgut Esendagli (Enfield Highway Ward) and John Boast (former Councillor) following their recent deaths.

1

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Ahmet Oykenner (Cabinet Member for Housing and Housing Regeneration).

An apology for lateness was received from Councillor Vicki Pite (Associate Cabinet Member (Enfield North)).

2

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Following consideration, it was agreed that Councillor Achilleas Georgiou (Deputy Leader) did not need to declare an interest with regard to the verbal update on the Meridian Water Progress Update (Minute No.22 below refers).

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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 Report Nos. 67 and 70 – Prevention and Early Intervention Contract Awards. These requirements state that agendas and reports should be circulated as least 5 clear days in advance of meetings.

AGREED, that the above reports be considered at this meeting.

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DEPUTATIONS

NOTED, that no requests for deputations had been received for presentation to this Cabinet meeting.

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ITEMS TO BE REFERRED TO THE COUNCIL

AGREED, that the following report be referred to full Council:

1. Report No.62 – Enfield Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report 2016/17 (for information and noting only)

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ENFIELD SAFEGUARDING ADULTS BOARD ANNUAL REPORT 2016/17

Councillor Doug Taylor (Leader of the Council) introduced the report of the Executive Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care (No.62) presenting the Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report 2016-17.

Councillor Doug Taylor welcomed Christabel Shawcross, Independent Chair of the Enfield Safeguarding Adults Board, to the meeting and invited her to present the Annual report to the Cabinet. Members received a comprehensive and informative presentation on the Annual Report and the work of the Board including the following points:

- Christabel Shawcross had been appointed as the Independent Chair of the Board in December 2016 and paid tribute to the previous Chair Marian Harrington.
- 2016/17 had been a key year for consolidation after the introduction of the Care Act with new powers and responsibilities.
- The role and scale of Adult Safeguarding in Enfield was highlighted, as outlined in section 2 of the Annual report.
- The Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB) had a clear strategy and an annual plan to monitor and develop. The significance of partnership working was highlighted. There were new requirements to address on Tackling Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking, Domestic Abuse and Hoarding.
- The focus must be on victims of abuse and prevention measures to keep vulnerable adults safe. The statutory duties with regard to serious adults reviews were noted. It is important to learn lessons when things did go wrong and to prevent future incidents.
- Making Safeguarding Personal was a fundamental principle of the Act, working alongside those who were abused, and Enfield had been an exemplar in this project with case audits showing quality of social work practice.
- A summary of the scale of safeguarding issues in Enfield was outlined: 1,144 concerns had been raised with 771 meeting safeguarding criteria and 549 cases concluded. 60% had related to over 65 year olds and 23% were in residential care.
- Enfield had the second highest number of residential care homes in London and registered home care providers. There were high numbers of older people and multi-ethnic communities in the population. There were also high numbers of deprivation of liberty orders.
- The Board had a key partnership role with the Care Quality Commission (CQC) and the health service in driving up standards of care.
- Members' attention was drawn to the Care Quality Commission Adult Social Care Ratings for Enfield as set out in the annual report. The most vulnerable adults were those living at home on their own.
- The importance of working in partnership with the Clinical Commissioning Group, Police, Health and other partners was noted.

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Such partnership working enabled information to be shared, provide challenge and review performance.

- The role of the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) was outlined, as detailed in the annual report.
- Work was undertaken with other neighbouring Local Authorities and Safeguarding Boards across North Central London to share learning and experience.
- There was a key focus on prevention measures. A safeguarding film had been produced for training and communication.
- Members' attention was drawn to the summary of Safeguarding Adult Reviews set out in section 9 of the annual report.
- Chapters 11 and 12 of the annual report set out what the Board would do next year and the action plan for 2017/18. The key priorities highlighted were: Empowerment; Protection; Prevention; Partnership; Accountability; and, Proportionality. Christabel Shawcross explained how the Board would seek to achieve these.
- The Board's engagement with the Cabinet Member was being strengthened through the Board and regular feedback on local issues.
- The Board recognised the changes that were being faced by key agencies in moving forward.

Councillor Taylor thanked Christabel Shawcross for her informative introduction to the work of the Board. Following the presentation, comments and questions were invited from Cabinet Members.

NOTED

1. Councillor Alev Cazimoglu expressed her thanks and appreciation to Christabel Shawcross and all those involved in the work of Safeguarding Adults in Enfield. Councillor Cazimoglu would be attending future meetings of the Board.
2. Councillor Savva highlighted the importance of prompt action when concerns were raised on behalf of a vulnerable adult. In response, Bindi Nagra (Director of Adult Social Care) advised that such instances needed to be reported to the Council's Safeguarding Team and the MASH (multi-agency safeguarding hub) for action.
3. Councillor Taylor questioned whether an increase in reported cases of abuse was viewed positively or negatively in the Board's opinion. It was noted that where the number of cases increased, it was possible to identify any trends in the referrals and take mitigating action to address concerns. Thorough investigations were carried out and effective action taken.
4. That raising awareness was a continued theme of the Board and a film had been commissioned on signs of abuse and making safeguarding personal, targeted awareness in response to data and created a factsheet on how technology could be used to help keep people safe. Councillor Brett questioned whether the film could be shown in GP

surgeries' waiting rooms and if a presentation could be made to the voluntary sector. It was noted that the Health and Wellbeing Board in its recent consideration of this report, had already agreed to facilitate the showing of the film in GP surgeries. Christabel Shawcross confirmed that the Board and relevant officers would support such presentations to the voluntary sector. The sector was represented on the Board's membership.

5. In response to a question raised, it was noted that support was offered for identified language needs.
6. Councillor Fonyonga commended the report and highlighted the valuable work undertaken by the MASH. It was important for referrals to be made appropriately so that the necessary action could be taken by all of the relevant agencies.
7. Councillor Anderson highlighted the Care Quality Commission (CQC) Adult Social Care ratings for Enfield and noted with concern the percentage of care rated as requiring improvement or inadequate. Councillor Anderson questioned how the Board was working to address these concerns. Christabel Shawcross drew Members' attention to section 7 of the annual report regarding "Working with Care and Support Providers". It was noted that Enfield compared favourably with other London Boroughs. The work and composition of the Safeguarding Information Panel was outlined, as set out in the annual report. The Panel met every six weeks and implemented a range of actions to meet identified need.
8. In response to questions raised, officers outlined the range of measures that could be put in place to address identified need for improvement in care provision including effective monitoring and commissioning approaches. A discussion took place on the roles and statutory rights of the various partner agencies in respect of private care providers and the actions that could be taken when improvement was required. The responsibilities with regard to safeguarding adults in the Borough were clear.
9. Councillor Orhan also highlighted the statutory responsibilities with regard to safeguarding children and the support services that were provided. The work being done with the Carers Centre, including engaging with young carers was noted.
10. Bindi Nagra outlined the role of the Police and the Crown Prosecution Service in safeguarding matters. The existing challenges were noted.
11. Councillor Lemonides highlighted the risk profile in this area of work and noted the difficulty in identifying safeguarding issues with regard to domiciliary care. Officers outlined the measures that were taken to raise awareness and identify instances of abuse. Bindi Nagra acknowledged the difficulties that existed and emphasised the

importance of raising awareness and providing easy access to support services. A discussion took place with regard to the provision of CCTV in people's own homes, there were a number of legal restrictions and this was an area that would require further exploration of potential future opportunities.

In conclusion, Councillor Taylor thanked Christabel Shawcross for her attendance and comprehensive presentation to the Cabinet.

Alternative Options Considered: The Care Act places a duty on Safeguarding Adults Board to publish an annual report, as detailed in section 4 of the report. The statutory requirement for an annual report negates any alternative options.

RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL to note, for information only, the progress being made in protecting vulnerable adults in the Borough as set out in the annual report of the Safeguarding Adults Board.

Reason: The report was being presented to Members to bring to attention the progress which had been made to support and enable adults at risk to be safe from harm, abuse and neglect.

(Non key)

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REVENUE MONITORING REPORT 2017/18: AUGUST 2017

Councillor Dino Lemonides (Cabinet Member for Finance and Efficiency) introduced the report of the Executive Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services (No.63) setting out the Council's revenue budget monitoring position based on information to the end of August 2017.

NOTED

1. That the report forecast an outturn position of £5.6m overspend for 2017/18. This represented an adverse movement in reported forecast of £0.5m as compared to the position reported on in July.
2. The departmental monitoring information, budget pressures and mitigating actions as set out in the report. If there was still a variance at the year-end it would need to be met from a contribution from the council's general balances, though it was intended to keep this as low as possible which would be replenished in subsequent years (paragraph 4.4 of the report referred). A prudent approach was being taken.

Alternative Options Considered: Not applicable to this report.

DECISION: The Cabinet agreed to note:

1. The £5.6m overspend revenue outturn projection.
2. That Cabinet Members would continue to work with Executive Directors to implement action plans to reduce the forecast overspend in 2017/18.
3. The mitigating actions proposed to date by Executive Directors of overspending departments as set out in Appendix A of the report.

Reason: To ensure that Members were aware of the projected budgetary position, including all major budget pressures and underspends which had contributed to the present monthly position and that were likely to affect the final outturn.

(Key decision – reference number 4545)

8 ENFIELD'S LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN (LIP) SPENDING PROPOSALS FOR 2018/19

Councillor Daniel Anderson (Cabinet Member for Environment) introduced the report of the Executive Director – Regeneration and Environment (No.64) outlining Enfield's proposals for spending the grant funding to be provided by Transport for London (TfL) to help implement the Mayor's Transport Strategy.

NOTED

1. Enfield's Local Implementation Plan (LIP) funding allocation for 2018/19 as set out in the report. The Plan was designed to meet the Mayor of London's Transport Strategy. Members noted that the Mayor's vision was to move towards 80% of future journeys being by walking, cycling or use of public transport.
2. Appendix 1 of the report set out the funding allocations and expenditure proposals for 2018/19. This clearly set out the Mayor's priorities and Members noted the proposals with regard to promoting cycling and walking in the Borough.

Alternative Options Considered: NOTED, the alternative options considered as set out in section 5 of the report in relation to constraints on proposals and consultation.

DECISION: The Cabinet agreed to approve:

1. The expenditure proposals for 2018/19 outlined in Appendix 1 for submission to Transport for London and for these proposals to be implemented, subject to the completion of all necessary statutory procedures.

2. Delegation of authority to the Cabinet Member for Environment to make any changes necessary to the programme should there be any change to the allocation from TfL or for any other operational reason.

Reason: to seek the necessary approvals that would enable Enfield's Local Implementation Plan (LIP) funding proposals for 2018/19 to be submitted to Transport for London. This submission of the proposals to TfL was essential in order to obtain release of the allocated funds ready for expenditure in the financial year 2018/19.

(Key decision – reference number 4557)

9

QUARTERLY CORPORATE PERFORMANCE REPORT

Councillor Achilleas Georgiou (Deputy Leader) introduced the report of the Chief Executive (No.65) presenting the latest available performance at the end of the first quarter of 2017/18.

NOTED

1. For information only, the progress being made towards achieving the identified key priorities for Enfield.
2. That Appendix 1 to the report showed the latest available performance at the end of the first quarter of 2017/18 and compared it to the Council's performance for the same period in 2016/17.
3. With regard to the priority indicators, 71 performance indicators were being reported, of which 64 had targets. Of these, 39 (61%) are at green; 17 (26.5%) were at amber; and 8 (12.5%) were at red.
4. Councillor Georgiou brought a number of indicators to Members' attention, including the following:
 - Housing and Homelessness: the number of households living in temporary accommodation was a continuing area of concern and Members noted the impact of current Government policies. However, the Council was performing well with regard to the repairs service to Council homes; and, in the rent collection rates.
 - Adult Social Care: Members noted the good progress which had been made with regard to delayed transfers of care; and, in the number of new admissions to supported residential and nursing care.
 - Libraries: The good work being undertaken by the Borough's libraries was highlighted and Councillor Georgiou was pleased to report on the recent re-opening of the Edmonton Green library following refurbishment. There would be an official opening shortly to which Cabinet Members would be invited.

- Income Collection, Debt Recovery and Benefit Processing: The positive indicator with regard to the recovery of council properties fraudulently obtained, sublet or abandoned was noted.
- Crime Rates: Noted that currently household burglary in Enfield was at its lowest level in several years.
- Councillor Georgiou drew Members' attention to the indicator relating to violence with injury and that approximately 1 in 3 violence with injury offences were domestic related. The Council had been working closely with its partners to tackle the issue of domestic violence and a publicity campaign had recently taken place led by Councillor Krystle Fonyonga. Councillor Georgiou was pleased to announce that Enfield's "He doesn't love you if..." campaign had won the bronze award at the Public Sector Communications Excellence Awards. This had been an innovative and thought provoking campaign that had engaged and motivated action to so many. Congratulations were extended to all those who had been involved.

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.

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

(Key decision – reference number 4520)

10

GOVERNANCE OF ENFIELD'S TRADING COMPANIES

NOTED, that this item had been deferred for consideration at a future Cabinet meeting following further discussions.

11

PREVENTION AND EARLY INTERVENTION CONTRACT AWARDS

Councillor Alev Cazimoglu (Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care) introduced the report of the Executive Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care (No.67) regarding the commissioning of new prevention and early intervention contracts.

NOTED

1. That Report No.70 also referred as detailed in Minute No.20 below.
2. The significant work which had been undertaken to deliver the best possible early intervention support for Enfield residents in partnership

with the voluntary sector. Members noted the real pressures on Council resources and the need to deliver good early intervention support to help a growing number of people to maintain their health, wellbeing and independence for longer. The voluntary sector had a key role to play in that. The Council had worked with its partners in the voluntary sector throughout the process to co-produce a set of priorities and a service model which reflected the needs of local people. There had been a focus on:

- More support for carers
- True independent living
- Improved health and wellbeing
- Giving more vulnerable people a voice that is heard
- Recovering from illness with safe and appropriate hospital discharges
- The availability of good, accessible information
- With all of the above underpinned by a focus on reducing social isolation for the Borough's more vulnerable residents

3. It had been inevitable that some organisations had been unsuccessful in bidding for these contracts. For some smaller voluntary sector organisations the Council funding represented their sole source of funding and without it, would find it difficult to continue. Therefore, the Council would be working with these organisations to provide some additional practical and financial support. This would mean continued funding at the same level as was currently provided whilst providing immediate and targeted support from the Council, EVA (Enfield Voluntary Action) and other specialist organisations where needed. This support would provide training, develop new and more sustainable business models and a focus on innovation.
4. That the new models of support would encourage collaborative working, new ways of thinking, sharing of information and good practice. The new contracts would provide funding for up to 7 years, as detailed in the report, subject to satisfactory performance.
5. Councillor Cazimoglu commended the report to the Cabinet and expressed her appreciation to all who had been involved in the process. Particular thanks were expressed to Doug Wilson, Head of Strategy and Service Development, and his team.
6. Councillor Yasemin Brett welcomed the report and the support that would continue to be provided, as set out in the report.
7. In the light of a discussion of the part two report (Minute No.20 below referred), it was noted that the extension of the contracts would be dependent on them still meeting needs of the Borough's residents and the Council's objectives.

Alternative Options Considered: NOTED, that there had been three options available to the Health, Housing and Adult Social Care Service Development Stream: 1. To continue to fund existing contracts with a percentage reduction across all organisations to provide the £500,000 saving; 2. Tender a number of contracts with specified deliverables; and, 3. Tender fewer contracts in a consortium, outcomes based approach.

DECISION: The Cabinet agreed:

1. To approve the Prevention and Early Intervention funding tender award of the following:
 - Outcome One: Helping People Continue Caring in Enfield Carers Centre (consortium lead) to the value of £348,985
 - Outcome Two: Supporting vulnerable adults to remain living healthily and independently in the community including avoiding crises to Age UK (consortium lead) to the value of £270,000
 - Outcome Three: Supporting people to improve their health and wellbeing/improving self-management to CommUNITY Barnet to the value of £129,241
 - Outcome Four: Helping Vulnerable Adults to have a voice to Enfield Disability Action to the value of £165,000
 - Outcome Five: People recover from illness, safe and appropriate discharge from hospital to Greek Cypriot Community of Enfield (consortium lead) to the value of £120,000
 - Outcome Six: Increased and improved information provision to CommUNITY Barnet to the value of £212,425
2. To agree contract length of 3 years (plus 2 plus 2 dependent on performance).
3. To approve exploring the option of using council information systems and equipment to the Lead Provider of each outcome area

And that Cabinet give approval to Officers to:

4. Agree funding to organisations that previously received funding but submitted unsuccessful bids, to support them to develop alternative sustainable models providing preventative services.
5. To set aside funds to support the above and enable a time limited grants programme, to support VSC organisations to develop self-sustaining projects.
6. Require that services recognise the specific needs of BME residents.

Reason: NOTED, the detailed reasons for the recommendations as set out in section 5 of the report.

(Key decision – reference number 4555)

12

RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR CARE AND SUPPORT SERVICES AT ALCAZAR COURT AND EXTRA CARE SCHEME AND SKINNERS COURT EXTRA CARE SCHEME

NOTED, that this item had been withdrawn (Minute No.21 below also referred).

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ISSUES ARISING FROM THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

NOTED, that there were no items to be considered at this meeting.

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CABINET AGENDA PLANNING - FUTURE ITEMS

NOTED, the provisional list of items scheduled for future Cabinet meetings.

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MINUTES

AGREED, that the minutes of the previous meeting of the Cabinet held on 13 September 2017 be confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

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BROOMFIELD HOUSE

Councillor Dinah Barry (Associate Cabinet Member – Enfield West) gave a verbal update to Members regarding Broomfield House. An information sheet was tabled at the meeting for Members to note, as summarised below.

NOTED

1. The background to the current situation, and the status of Broomfield House and its stable block which were both included within Historic England's Heritage at Risk Register. An integrated strategy was needed for the House and Stables.
2. Members were updated on the progress of the Project Board, which had been established in October 2014. A significant amount of work had been undertaken. These outputs included studies on heritage significance, structural feasibility, use options, costs and soft market testing.

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3. Structural surveys of the building remains had shown that only 20-30% of the remains could be restored as it stands. The remaining 70% of the structure was unviable for the use for which it was intended. Any reconstruction of the House would therefore to a large extent be a replica rather than a restoration. All options would be examined. The existing covenant which restricted trade or business raised the risks around the provision of any future income generating use. The Heritage Lottery Fund feedback was that they still had issues around the funding gap and how the proposed end-uses would meet their requirement for very secure long term income generation and sustainable business viability.
4. In the coming months officers would undertake the further work which was required by Historic England, in accordance with government guidance (the National Planning Policy Guidance), on further testing of options. It was not possible to consult local people on the future of Broomfield House until a limited range of options or a preferred scheme had been identified. This could only be evolved by fully testing viability through the market. Officers would undertake a marketing procedure to seek expressions of interest from a commercial partner (a process which would take 9-12 months).
5. Officers would continue to work with the community on the alternative options and continue to liaise with the Heritage Lottery Fund.
6. That a report would be brought to a future Cabinet meeting for a decision on the way ahead. The Council would continue to work with the community to deliver a timely resolution.
7. In response to a question raised by Councillor Anderson, Councillor Barry outlined in more detail the results of the structural surveys. Whilst the majority of the brickwork could be retained and repaired, the majority of the building was of timber framed construction that was not capable of repair and retention. A drone survey had recently been carried out and the resulting video footage would be placed on the Council's website. This would aid understanding of the building construction and the limited fabric which remained. It was noted that no more than 20-30% of the historic fabric of the building remained.

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ENFIELD STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

NOTED, that there were no written updates to be received at this meeting.

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING

NOTED, that the next meeting of the Cabinet was scheduled to take place on Wednesday 15 November 2017 at 8.15pm.

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EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED, in accordance with Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the press and public from the meeting for the items listed on part two of the agenda on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt 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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PREVENTION AND EARLY INTERVENTION CONTRACT AWARDS

Councillor Alev Cazimoglu (Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care) introduced the report of the Executive Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care (No.70).

NOTED

1. That Report No.67 also referred as detailed in Minute No.11 above.
2. That the report set out the full details of the bids evaluated following the invitation to tender in support of the recommendations set out in the part one report and reflected in the decisions in Minute No.11 above.
3. Councillor George Savva raised a number of points of clarification regarding the process and outcomes which were addressed at the meeting, including the membership of the assessment panel; how the priorities had been determined; the processes which had led to the formation of the consortia; and, the monitoring that would be put in place in going forward. Members were reassured that a full and robust procurement process had been undertaken in order to reach this conclusion.
4. Councillor Yasemin Brett noted the rigorous processes which had been followed and questioned how the consortia could develop in the future to meet the changing demographics of the Borough.
5. That the contract length was 3 years (plus 2 years plus 2 years based on performance). There would be a review after 3 years to ensure that the objectives of the contracts were being met satisfactorily and to assess if any changes were required in order to meet any changing needs in the Borough. Members were advised of the terms of the formal contract awards and the need to work within the scope of the

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original tender requirements whilst ensuring that the objectives of the Council were being met.

6. The extension of the contracts would be dependent on them still meeting needs of the Borough's residents and the Council's objectives.
7. Councillor Derek Levy (Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee) took this opportunity to advise Members of a forthcoming scrutiny review regarding loneliness and social isolation.
8. In conclusion, Councillor Cazimoglu, stated that the commissioning of the new contracts would provide valuable services to the Borough's residents, robust processes had been followed to reach this stage and she was confident that the outcomes were fit for purpose.

Alternative Options Considered: As detailed in the part one report (Report No.67), Minute No. 11 above referred.

Reason: As detailed in the part one report (Report No.67), Minute No.11 above referred.

(Key decision – reference number 4555)

21

RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR CARE AND SUPPORT SERVICES AT ALCAZAR COURT EXTRA CARE SCHEME AND SKINNERS COURT EXTRA CARE SCHEME

NOTED, that this item had been withdrawn (Minute No.12 above also referred).

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MERIDIAN WATER: PROGRESS UPDATE

Councillor Alan Sitkin (Cabinet Member for Economic Regeneration and Business Development) reported that the Council was moving towards a conclusion of the current ongoing negotiations with its preferred bidder.