

Cabinet Executive Decisions Notice

Committee: Cabinet
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Agenda item 5: Housing Revenue Account - Revised Forecast 2023/24 and Interim Budget Proposals 2024/25 for consultation

RESOLVED THAT:

1. the interim HRA budget proposals for 2023-24 (shown at Appendix 2) for consultation, including a proposed rent increase of 7.7% and changes to other rents and charges as detailed within the report, is approved;
2. the proposed HRA capital programme for consultation, as shown at Appendix 3, and the detailed capital programme in Appendix 4, is approved;
3. the revised HRA forecast for 2023-24 is noted;
4. authority is delegated to the Executive Director for Finance, Assets and Regeneration, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Assets, to determine and approve any additional material that may be needed to support the presentation of the interim budget proposals for consultation;
5. consultation responses are sought by 31 January 2024.

Subject to call-in period: No



Agenda item 6: General Fund Revenue and Capital – Interim Budget Proposals 2024/25 for Consultation

RESOLVED THAT:

1. the interim budget proposals for consultation is approved, including a proposed council tax for the services provided by Cheltenham Borough Council. The proposed Council tax for 2024/25 represents an increase of 2.99% a year for a Band D property, subject to conclusion of the consultation on the Local Government Provisional Finance Settlement;
2. the schedule of target savings and income generation at Appendix 3 is noted;
3. the growth proposals at Appendix 4 are approved;
4. the proposed capital programme at Appendix 6, as outlined in Section 13, is approved;
5. authority is delegated to the Executive Director Finance, Assets and Regeneration, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Assets, to determine and approve any additional material that may be needed to support the presentation of the interim budget proposals for public consultation;
6. consultation responses are sought by 26 January 2024.

Subject to call-in period: No

Agenda item 7: Infrastructure Funding Statement (IFS) Requirements

RESOLVED THAT:

1. the publication of the Infrastructure Funding Statement (IFS) relating to the financial year ending 31st March 2023 by 31st December 2023 is approved;
2. the publication of the Annual CIL Rate Summary Statement alongside it by the 31st December 2023 is noted;
3. the Infrastructure List and decision to approve this by Council on 11 December 2023 is noted.

Subject to call-in period: Yes



Agenda item 8: Publica Review

RESOLVED THAT:

1. the report by Human Engine in Appendix 2 is noted. It is also noted that the recommendations within the report do not immediately impact the current services provided by Publica to CBC within the scope of the proposed changes;
2. the Chief Executive and Corporate Director (Monitoring Officer) will undertake appropriate due diligence and risk mitigation on the proposed changes to Publica to support the Leader as shareholder to take the necessary shareholder decisions in partnership with Cotswold District Council, Forest of Dean District Council and West Oxfordshire District Council in implementing the recommendations of the report.
3. in recognition of the fact that the Human Engine report (Appendix 2) proposes significant changes to Publica and the services it provides to predominantly Cotswold District Council (CDC), Forest of Dean District Council (FoDDC) and West Oxfordshire District Council (WODC), to mitigate risks and ensure that service provision is improved and maintained, responsibility is delegated to the Chief Executive and the Director for Finance, Assets and Regeneration to undertake appropriate service reviews of the remaining Publica services provided to CBC with a view to making recommendations to the Leader and Cabinet where necessary on the future delivery of those services.

Subject to call-in period: No

Agenda item 9: Safeguarding Policy Review and Update

RESOLVED THAT:

1. the revised safeguarding policy is adopted;
2. authority is delegated to the Director of Communities and Economic Development, in consultation with Cabinet Member for Communities and Safety, to agree updates to the policy as we transition our housing services.

Subject to call-in period: Yes