

EXECUTIVE CABINET MEMBER – LEADER’S PORTFOLIO

A record of decisions made by the Executive Cabinet Member with responsibility for the Leader’s Portfolio:-

MONDAY 12th SEPTEMBER, 2016

Following consideration of the matters detailed below in the presence of:-

Councillor Morris	Executive Cabinet Member – Leader’s Portfolio
Councillor Mrs. Fairclough	Major Opposition Spokesperson

Officers

Ms. M. Asquith	Chief Executive
Mr. S. Young	Director of Place
Mr. P. Green	Assistant Director Economic Development and Regeneration
Ms. S. Johnson	Borough Treasurer
Mrs. H. Gorman	Borough Solicitor
Ms. S. Woodall	Senior Lawyer
Mrs. V. Ridge	Democratic Services Manager

19. MONITORING OF EXECUTIVE MEMBER DECISIONS

The Borough Solicitor submitted a report which provided an update on decisions taken at previous meetings of the Executive Cabinet Member.

The Executive Cabinet Member NOTED the report.

20. GREATER MANCHESTER HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING’S APPROVALS

The Director of Place submitted a report which advised the Executive Cabinet Member of the progress being made with the Estates workstream which formed part of the Enabling Better Care priority of the Health and Social Care Strategic Plan and also sought approval for its participation in the Memorandums of Understanding.

By way of background the Executive Cabinet Member was advised that the GM Health and Social Care Strategic Plan 'Taking Charge' would require a reconfiguration of the health and social care estate in order to ensure that the Council could deliver the shared vision from a property base that was fit for purpose in terms of location, configuration and specification. It would be key to the delivery of clinical and financial sustainability by 2021. Estate transformation would also contribute to devolution agreements on the GM Land Commission and One Public Estate, which would help to join up the management of the public sector estate as a whole to underpin the reform of public services.

It was also stated that the GM Transformation Fund had no capital element, and it was clear from the work so far that the capital requirements for estate transformation could not be met from the normal sources of public sector capital funding over the next five years, either locally or nationally. A new approach to capital funding was therefore needed to drive estates transformation at the desired pace, whilst managing risk appropriately. Furthermore, the development of a robust pipeline of Estates development opportunities would be key to the success of the Estates strategy.

The Executive Cabinet Member was advised that two Memorandum of Understandings (MOUs) had been developed that would help to create a robust and consultative process for delivering the estates strategy.

A copy of the MOU's were detailed in Appendix 1 and 2 of the report, together with, an executive summary of their content which was outlined in Appendix 3.

The report also provided information in relation the new governance structures for GM Health and Social Care Estates and the work being undertaken in respect of the development of a Capital Finance strategy.

The Executive Cabinet Member APPROVED the Memorandum of Understandings, as detailed in the report, to enable GM to work with local partners and Central Government to enable the Council to effectively deliver the estates strategy.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

The background papers and reports in relation to the following items were considered confidential as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and that it be deemed that, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in their exemption outweighs the public interest in their disclosure.

21. LE MANS CRESCENT – USE OF EMERGENCY POWERS PROCEDURE

The Director of Place submitted a report which advised that he had used the emergency powers procedure, in consultation with the Executive Cabinet Member, to approve the leasing of the former Children's Services accommodation on Le Mans Crescent to the University of Bolton.

The Executive Cabinet Member NOTED the use of the emergency powers procedure as detailed in the report.

22. OCTAGON THEATRE – REDEVELOPMENT

The Director of Place submitted a report which advised the Executive Cabinet Member of the progress being made with the proposals to re-develop the Octagon Theatre.

The Executive Cabinet Member NOTED –

- (i) The progress made on the strategy for the Octagon Theatre re-development;**
- (ii) That the transfer of the building and lease arrangements will be dealt with under a separate report;**
- (iii) That the Octagon Theatre will seek planning permission to re-develop the Theatre; AGREED to delegate authority to the Director of Place to –**
- (iv) Develop the feasibility through to construction;**
- (v) That a further report be submitted to the next meeting providing details on the full proposals for the redevelopment of the Octagon Theatre; and AUTHORISED –**
- (vi) The Borough Solicitor to complete all the necessary legal documentation.**