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THE CABINET

MEETING, 4TH JULY, 2016

Councillor Morris Executive Cabinet Member
Councillor Mrs. Thomas Executive Cabinet Member

Cabinet Members

Councillor Cunliffe Education, Schools, Safeguarding

and Looked After Children

Councillor Chadwick Transport, Special Projects and

Skills

Councillor Sherrington Procurement, Housing and

Highways

Councillor Zaman Development and Regeneration and

Human Resources

Councillor A. Ibrahim Adult Safeguarding and Adult Social

Care

Councillor Watters Social Inclusion, Voluntary Sector

and Community Services

Other Members in Attendance

Councillor Donaghy

Councillor Murray

Councillor Kellett

Councillor Mrs. Fairclough

Councillor Haslam

Councillor Dean (as deputy for Councillor Greenhalgh)

Councillor Hayes
Councillor Hornby

Officers

Mrs. M. Asquith Chief Executive

Mr. J. Daly Acting Director of People

Mr. S. Young Director of Place

Mr. D. Herne Director of Public Health

Mr. T. Birch Assistant Director of People

Ms. S. Johnson Borough Treasurer

Mrs. V. Ridge Democratic Services Manager

Councillor Morris in the Chair.

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Adia, D. Burrows, Greenhalgh and Peel.

3. MINUTES

The minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 20th June, 2016 were submitted and signed as a correct record.

4. MINUTES OF AGMA/COMBINED AUTHORITY

The minutes of the meetings of the AGMA/Combined Authority held on 29th April and 27th May, 2016 were submitted for information.

5. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved – That, in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as specified in paragraphs 1 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act; 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.

6. NEIGHBOURHOOD MANAGEMENT, AREA WORKING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY – POST CONSULTATION REPORT

The Director of Place submitted a report which set out the results of the consultation on proposals to achieve £100,000 of efficiencies, through a review of Neighbourhood Management, Area Working and Community Safety and sought member's approval to implement the final proposals.

The formal Trades Unions response to the proposals was detailed in Appendix 4 to the report and a summary of the issues raised by stakeholders was provided in Appendix 5.

Members were advised that, as a result of the feedback received from the consultation exercise, some changes had been made to the final proposals and these were summarised in the report.

The relevant Equality Impact Assessment had been undertaken and was detailed in Appendix 6 to the report.

Resolved – (i) That the final proposals in relation to the review of Neighbourhood Management, Area Working and Community Safety, together with, the reduction in the staffing establishment by 2FTEs from 20.22 FTEs to 18.22FTEs be approved.

(ii) That, subject to the approval of the Head of Paid Service in consultation with the Leader, implementation of the new structure, including voluntary early retirement, be delegated to the Director of Place.

7. REVIEW OF EARLY YEARS AND CHILDCARE, CHILDREN'S CENTRES AND FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES

The Director of People submitted a report which set out the proposed review, re-design and restructure of Early Years and Childcare, Children's Centres and Family Support Services to ensure an integrated service for children and families, whilst delivering required savings and efficiencies.

Members were advised that the proposals set out in the report would be the subject of an appropriate period of formal consultation with trades unions, staff and stakeholders. Following the close of consultation, proposals would be amended, if appropriate, to take into account the responses received and alternatives put forward. It was anticipated that final (revised) proposals would be implemented from December, 2016.

The relevant Equality Impact Assessment had been undertaken and was detailed in Appendix 4 to the report.

Resolved – That the proposals as set out in the report for the review, re-design and restructure of the Early Years and Childcare, Children's Centres and Family Support Services be approved for consultation purposes with trades unions, staff and stakeholders.