

EXTRACT

THE CABINET

MEETING, 16TH SEPTEMBER, 2013

Councillor Morris	Executive Cabinet Member
Councillor Mrs Thomas	Executive Cabinet Member
Councillor Peel	Executive Cabinet Member

Cabinet Members

Councillor Adia	Human Resources and Cohesion
Councillor Bashir-Ismail	Public Health
Councillor D.Burrows	Community Safety and Police
Councillor Peacock	Adults
Councillor A. Connell	Sports, Libraries, Youth and Culture
Councillor McKeon	Schools and Skills
Councillor Murray	Looked After Children ,Safeguarding and Early Years
Councillor Chadwick	Highways and Transport
Councillor Sherrington	Waste ,Recycling and Housing
Councillor Zaman	Economy and Regeneration

Other Members in Attendance

Councillor Donaghy
Councillor Jones
Councillor Greenhalgh
Councillor Morgan
Councillor Ashcroft
Councillor Hayes

Officers

Mr. S. Harriss	Chief Executive
Mr. S. Arnfield	Deputy Chief Executive
Ms M. Asquith	Director of Adults and Children's Services
Mr. M. Cox	Director of Environmental Services
Mr. J. Livesey	Assistant Director
Ms. S. Schofield	Assistant Director
Mrs. H. Gorman	Borough Solicitor
Mr. A. Jennings	Democratic Services Manager

Councillor Morris in the Chair.

Apologies for absence were submitted by Councillors J. Byrne and Mrs Fairclough.

14. MINUTES

The minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 19th August, 2013 were submitted and signed as a correct record.

**15. MINUTES OF THE AGMA EXECUTIVE AND
COMBINED AUTHORITY 26th JULY, 2013**

The Chief Executive submitted a report that detailed the key decisions taken by the AGMA Executive Board and Combined Authority on 30th August, 2013

Resolved – That the report be noted.

16. PUBLIC SECTOR REFORM

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report that provided members with an updated public service reform plan.

The principles behind Public Service Reform were to integrate services across public sector organisations in order to both reduce demand for services and make them more efficient. Across Greater Manchester all boroughs had been working together in drawing together an overall programme to deliver the reforms.

The programme now submitted was Bolton's initial plan to deliver integrated services in the Borough across five key areas:-

- Early Years
- Health and Social Care Integration
- Transforming Justice
- Families First (Troubled Families)
- Work and Skills

The AGMA work had the support of Central Government and the aim of the first phase was to provide sufficient evidence of the potential of the approach and to demonstrate AGMA's commitment to the changes in order to convince Central Government to make the necessary changes in legislation and financial provisions to support successful delivery.

In the recent Spending Review the Government had demonstrated their support and encouragement to the approach by the inclusion of several funding packages. These included extending the current "Troubled Families" programme for a further year and providing pooled resources between Local Authorities and Health to start the process of integrating Social Care and Health services. AGMA had engaged Government, at a high level, to discuss the principles behind extending the current Work Programme principles to those who had been unemployed for more than 2 years.

The attached initial programme was Bolton's contribution to the programme and included support of all local agencies.

In order to make progress in each of the Themes the Council was devoting staff resources from across all Departments. In certain instances, the Council did not always have the skills or the capacity available to make the contribution that was required and deliver within the overall timescales.

The Council had an established reserve of £1.3m, created via the attachments associated with the troubled families programme, to support the Programme and the initial use of these resources would be to fund support for the Families First programme and the Early Years Programme.

The support to families had been provided mainly by existing teams stretching their services to cover the needs of the whole family and through some third sector commissioning. However, if the targets were to be achieved in year 2 the Council needed to boost this capacity in order to turn the lives around of the 739 families by April 2014 and to achieve a support for all 830 families by May 2015.

The proposal was to support this work by providing the following:-

Recruit 5 keyworkers - £230,000

Extend third sector provision - £60,000

Additional Social Work/safeguarding support 2.5 staff - £152,000

Total £442,000 over the remainder of the programme
(£229,000 per annum)

All full time internal posts would be recruited through redeployment as far as possible.

Additional capacity was required within Children's Services (across Early Years and Childcare Team, Children and Family Support Services and Information Management) to lead and manage the work involved in the early adoption of the Greater

Manchester Early Years New Delivery Model. The initial pilot was in the Oxford Grove area from April, 2014 and would be extended to Farnworth if the Council was successful in its bid for the BIG Lottery Better Start Programme.

Short term requirements until April, 2015 included additional project management and Special Education Needs and disability lead officer roles, costs associated with trialling a suite of universal and targeted child and family interventions to support school readiness across health and education providers. It also included the implementation of a revised multi-agency assessment, tracking and information management system to record the 8 stage assessment model and associated interventions for all children from birth to 5 years.

Estimated additional costs were approximately £250,000 from the period September 2013 to March 2015.

The programme would be constantly updated as models of operating and financial information were further developed. Progress on and development of the programme would be periodically reported to the Cabinet.

Resolved – That the first phase implementation plan for the Borough’s Public Service Reform programme be agreed and that the use of the reserves set aside to support the programme be endorsed.

17. MANCHESTER AIRPORT CITY ENTERPRISE ZONE: PROPOSED GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS AND LAND ASSEMBLY

The Chief Executive submitted a report that provided an update on the commercial terms which had been completed with Manchester Airport Group for the new lease on Airport City South and commercial arrangements proposed for the land which would form part of Airport City North currently held in trust by Manchester City Council for the other nine Greater Manchester districts.

The report also addressed matters evidenced under the terms of the current Trust Deed for the governance arrangements which were in place in managing the relationship between Manchester City Council and the other nine districts in dealing with property matters with Manchester Airport Group plc. (MAG) involving land that was leased to the Airport and held in trust by Manchester City Council for the other nine districts.

Resolved – That the arrangements for varying the consultation arrangements with the nine Greater Manchester districts as set out in the 1994 Trust Deed and detailed in the report, now submitted, be approved.

18. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved - That, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as specified in paragraphs 1, 3 and 4 (financial and business affairs and staffing and labour relations matters) 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.

19. VARIATIONS TO THE LAND TENURE STRUCTURE TO SUPPORT DEVELOPMENT OF MANCHESTER AIRPORT CITY ENTERPRISE ZONE ON AIRPORT CITY SOUTH AND AIRPORT CITY NORTH

Further to Minute 17 the Chief Executive submitted a report that updated the Cabinet on the commercial terms which had been completed with Manchester Airport Group for the Airport City North land and the new lease on Airport City South.

Resolved – (i) That the commercial terms agreed with MAG for the new leases on Airport City South and Airport City North be approved and that the progress on other land issues on Manchester Business Park be noted.

(ii) That the Cabinet agrees to engage with the other nine Greater Manchester councils through the Enterprise Zone Landowners Commissioning Board to agree the land transfers and subsequent property transactions and developments.

(iii) That all legal documentation required to give effect to these proposals be finalised and completed.

22. CORPORATE VOLUNTARY, COMMUNITY AND FAITH SECTOR FUNDING 2013/15

Councillors Murray, Mrs Thomas, A. Connell and Greenhalgh disclosed interests in the following matter.

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report that reminded the Cabinet that it had previously been agreed to undertake consultations with various groups as to the Council's proposals regarding savings in the corporate, voluntary, community and faith sectors.

The review was part of the Council's agreed programme to save £43.6m between 2013 and 2015 and the review proposed savings of £250,000 from the programme. These savings would go alongside proposals to save £225,000 from Children's and Adult Services funding for the sector (Minute 23)

The key issues raised in the consultation were explained, as were the guiding principles and, overall, the Council's position and proposals had been understood and accepted by those affected.

Following the results of the consultation the Cabinet was recommended to agree the original proposals and to consider two possible changes relating to Relate Greater Manchester North and Bolton Interfaith Council

A full Equality Impact Assessment (Appendix 1) had been undertaken in line with legislation and was considered by the Cabinet in its deliberations.

Resolved – (i) That the final post consultation proposals as detailed in the report be approved.

(ii) That the original proposal to cease funding for Relate at the end of March, 2015 be agreed ,together with the reduced funding for the Interfaith Council coming into effect on 1st April, 2015.

(iii) That the implementation of the proposals be delegated to the Deputy Chief Executive.