

## **EXECUTIVE CABINET MEMBER – REGENERATION AND RESOURCES PORTFOLIO**

A record of decisions made by the Executive Cabinet Member with responsibility for the Regeneration and Resources Portfolio:-

**MONDAY, 10<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2014**

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

Councillor Adia	Executive Cabinet Member – Regeneration and Resources Portfolio
Councillor Lewis	Cabinet Member Housing and Social Inclusion
Councillor J. Byrne	Cabinet Member for Culture and Youth
Councillor Greenhalgh	Major Opposition Spokesperson
Councillor Cox	Major Opposition Spokesperson
Councillor Martin	Minor Opposition Spokesperson

### **Officers**

Mr. S. Harriss	Chief Executive
Mr. K. Davies	Director of Development and Regeneration
Ms. S. Johnson	Borough Treasurer
Ms. H. Gorman	Borough Solicitor
Mr. R. Martinez	Community Safety Manager
Ms. J. Pollard	Head of Strategic Finance and Accountancy
Mr. T. Glennon	Corporate Financial Services Manager

Mr. A. Jennings

Democratic Services Manager

## **42. 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.**

## **43. NEW ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR ENFORCEMENT LEGISLATION**

The Director of Environmental Services submitted a report which provided members with an overview of the new measures for tackling anti-social behaviour contained within the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act, 2014.

By way of background information the report explained that the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act, 2014 introduced a change to the anti-social behaviour tools and powers available to the Council and its partners and this was the first time those powers had been overhauled since the introduction of the Crime and Disorder Act, 1998.

The report explained that the reforms were designed to put the victims at the heart of the response to anti-social behaviour and intended to give professionals the flexibility they needed to deal with any given anti-social behaviour situation. The Act had streamlined the current tool kit reducing the number of orders from 19 to 6. The Act came into force on 20th October, 2014 apart from the Civil Injunction element which was likely to take effect from January, 2015.

The report went onto summarise the new powers as follows: –

- Civil Injunction. This was a tenure neutral civil order to prevent anti-social behaviour and nuisance behaviour.

- Criminal Behaviour Order (CBO). An order that could be attached on conviction to any criminal offence.
- Community Protection Notice (CPN). This was intended to deal with particular on-going problems or nuisances which negatively affected the community's quality of life by targeting those responsible.
- Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO). A council power requiring consultation with the Police, any appropriate community representative and the owner or occupier of the land.
- Closure Power. A power available to councils and police to close premises which were being used or likely soon to be used to commit nuisance or disorder.
- Dispersal Power. A police only power requiring a person aged 10 years and above to leave an area for up to 48 hours.
- Absolute Grounds for Possession. This increased the grounds of possession for landlords.
- Community Trigger. This gave individuals, organisations or third parties representing reporters of anti-social behaviour the right to request a formal review of how the Community Safety Partnership had responded to the case if a defined threshold had been met.
- Community Remedy. A document published by each local policing body in relation to out of court disposals for cases of anti-social behaviour or criminal offences.

In terms of improvements which had been made to the Act the Executive Cabinet Member was advised that one are of

improvement identified which was now included in the civil junction power, was the ability to hold the tenant (private rented) or the owner occupier of a property responsible for the anti-social behaviour caused by people who lived with them or visit the property.

The report went onto explain matters around the local implementation of the Act particularly in relation to working with partnerships and the other AGMA authorities of Greater Manchester. Members were advised that a working Group had been established to ensure a consistent approach across the area.

The report also outlined the possible financial implications.

**Following a recommendation from the Cabinet Member for Housing and Social Inclusion, the Executive Cabinet Member AGREED, subject to the approval of Council, the use of the new anti-social behaviour powers by the council with appropriate amendments to the Scheme of Delegation, officer authorisation, policies and procedures for implementation.**

#### **44. AGGREGATE FINANCIAL MONITOR SECOND QUARTER 2014/2015**

The Borough Treasurer submitted a report which advised the Executive Cabinet Member of the outcome of the second quarter Aggregate Financial Monitoring exercise for 2014/2015.

The report stated that revenue and capital expenditure could be contained within the approved budget provision and capital prudential indicators were in line with the limits approved by the Council.

**The Executive Cabinet Member NOTED the report.**

#### **45. CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S DEPARTMENT FINANCE REPORT – QUARTER TWO 2014/2015**

The Borough Treasurer submitted a report which provided information relating to the financial quarter two position for the Chief Executive's Department for the 2014/2015 financial year.

The Executive Cabinet Member was advised that in respect of the revenue expenditure there currently was an underspend of £41,000 after reserve movements and in terms of capital expenditure this stood at £3,363,000 against a programme of £12,166,000. The department's general reserve had a projected final outturn of £193,528.

The report also stated that the budgeted efficiency savings for the department were £3,019,000 and all planned efficiencies had been achieved. With regard to risk, it was explained that specific areas of financial risk related to loss of income.

**The Executive Cabinet Member NOTED the report.**

#### **46. DEVELOPMENT AND REGENERATION SERVICES INCLUDING HOUSING SERVICES FINANCE – QUARTER TWO 2014/2015 REPORT**

A report of the Director of Development and Regeneration and the Borough Treasurer was submitted which provided information relating to the quarter two financial position for Development and Regeneration including Housing Services for the 2014/2015 financial year.

The Executive Cabinet Member was advised that in respect of the revenue expenditure there currently was an underspend of £103,000 after reserve movements and in terms of capital expenditure this stood at £2,581,000 against a budget of £8,317,000. The department's general reserve had a projected final outturn of £430,000.

The report also stated that the budgeted efficiency savings for the department were £1,368,000 and all planned efficiencies had been achieved. With regard to risk, it was explained that

specific areas of financial risk related to loss of income due to the economic downturn and loss of grants.

**The Executive Cabinet Member NOTED the report.**