THE CABINET

MEETING, 4TH NOVEMBER, 2019

Councillor Greenhalgh	Leader's Portfolio
Councillor Haslam	Highways and Transport
Councillor Muslim	Stronger Communities
Councillor Baines	Wellbeing
Councillor Warren	Environmental Service Delivery
Councillor Hewitt	Strategic Housing and Planning
Councillor Galloway	Environmental Regulatory Services
Councillor Morgan	Adult Social Care
Councillor C. Wild	Children's Services

Other Members in Attendance

Councillor Walsh
Councillor Allen
Councillor Dean
Councillor Mrs. Thomas
Councillor Peel
Councillor Zaman
Councillor Haworth (as
deputy for Councillor Adia)
Councillor Hayes
Councillor Hornby
Councillor Sanders

<u>Officers</u>

Mr. T. Oakman	Chief Executive
Mr. G. Brough	Director of Place
Dr. H. Lowey	Director of Public Health
Ms. S. Johnson	Director of Corporate Resources

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Ms. H. Gorman	Borough Solicitor
Ms. D. Ball	Deputy Director of Place
Ms. R. Tanner	Deputy Director of People
Mr. K. Roberts	Head of Service
Mrs. V. Ridge	Democratic Services Manager

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Adia and Cox.

Councillor Greenhalgh in the Chair.

32. MINUTES

The minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 7th October, 2019 were submitted and signed as a correct record.

33. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE GREATER MANCHESTER COMBINED AUTHORITY

The minutes of the meeting of the Greater Manchester Combined Authority held on 27th September, 2019 were submitted for information.

34. REVISED LEVY ALLOCATION METHODOLOGY AGREEMENT FOR WASTE DISPOSAL

The Director of Corporate Resources submitted a report which sought member's approval of the new Levy Allocation Methodology Agreement.

Members were reminded that the Greater Manchester Waste Collection Authorities agreed to support the Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA) in the discharge of its liabilities and on 6th February, 2017, the Waste Collection Authorities and the Waste Disposal Authority entered into a Levy Allocation Management Agreement (LAMA).

The report advised that in June, 2019, the GMCA entered into new operating contracts with Suez for the disposal of residual

waste and the treatment of recyclates, as a result, there was now a requirement to update the LAMA to take into account the new operating contracts.

Members were advised that the LAMA allocated the fixed and variable costs of waste processing and disposal by waste stream, based on the tonnages each authority delivered. Costs of operating the Household Waste Recycling Centres were split based on 50% Council Tax base and 50% Car ownership.

It was explained that following the award of the new contracts to Suez, the LAMA needed to be revised to reflect the new payment mechanism arrangements and details of the key changes and the reasons for them were detailed in the report.

The report also advised that for the revised LAMA to be adopted it was necessary for agreement to be reached with each District on the revised LAMA by 31st December, 2019, this would then allow the 2020/2021 levy to be set using the new LAMA basis.

In terms of the financial implications, it was explained that adopting the new LAMA would have a very small impact on the waste disposal costs for the Council. In 2020/2021 it would reduce the cost for Bolton by 0.1% and the Director of Corporate Resources had no concerns about the revised methodology having a negative impact on the Council.

A copy of the proposed Waste Levy Allocation Management Agreement was detailed in Appendix A to the report.

Resolved – That Council, at its meeting on 27th November, 2019 be recommended to:-

- (i) Approve the Waste Levy Allocation Methodology Agreement (LAMA) as the new agreement between the Greater Manchester Combined Authority and district members; and
- (ii)Authorise the Borough Solicitor to complete the necessary legal formalities.

35. COUNCIL TAX BASE FOR 2020/2021

The Director of Corporate Resources submitted a report which set out the calculation of the tax base to be used in the calculation of the Council Tax and Business Rates for 2020/2021 (the tax base for tax setting purposes).

The report indicated a tax base before adjustment for losses on collection of 77,728 band D equivalents.

The Council needed to determine its collection rate for the year, which took account of collection difficulties. Based on an assessment of past collection performance, this had been maintained at 98% and resulted in a tax base for tax setting purposes of 76,173 band D equivalents which represented an increase of 686 properties on the 2019/2020 tax base.

Resolved – That the report of the Director of Corporate Resources for the calculation of the Council's tax base for tax setting purposes for the year 2020/2021 be agreed and that the Council Tax base for the year 2020/2021 shall be 76,173 band D equivalents.

36. 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 paragraph 1 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.

37. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT REVIEW – POST CONSULTATION REPORT

The Director of Place submitted a report which set out the results of consultation on proposals to review the Business Development Team within the Place Directorate, to take into

account a reduction in funding from 2019 onwards and sought members approval to implement the final proposals.

The report outlined the feedback which had been received as part of the consultation process and the formal joint trade union response to the proposals was detailed in Appendix 3 to the report.

Members were advised that the final proposals, had taken into account the feedback received and, as a result, some changes had been made which were detailed in the report.

The relevant Equality Impact Assessment had been undertaken and was attached at Appendix 5 to the report.

Resolved – (i) That the final proposals with regard to the Business Support Team within the Place Directorate, having due regard to the consultation feedback and the Equality Impact Assessment be approved.

(ii) That, subject to the approval of the Head of Paid Service, implementation of the new structure, including details of voluntary redundancy arrangements and consequential redundancy selection, be delegated to the Chief Executive and the Director of Place.

38. REVIEW OF COMMUNITY MEALS AND CATERING SERVICE – POST CONSULTATION REPORT

The Executive Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and the Director of People and Director of Place submitted a report which set out the results of consultation on proposals to review the Community Meals and Catering Service, to take into account a reduction in funding from 2019 onwards and sought members approval to implement the final proposals.

The report outlined the feedback which had been received as part of the consultation process and Appendix 4 set out a summary of the key consultation issues raised and the response from management. The formal joint trade union response to the proposals was detailed in Appendix 5 to the report and responses received from key stakeholders were detailed in Appendix 6.

The relevant Equality Impact Assessment had been undertaken and was attached at Appendix 7 to the report.

Resolved – (i) That the final proposals in respect of the Community Meals and Catering Service and the Social Needs Transport Service, having due regard to the consultation feedback and the Equality Impact Assessment be approved.

(ii) That, subject to the approval of the Head of Paid Service, implementation of the new structure, including details of voluntary redundancy arrangements and consequential redundancy selection, be delegated to the Chief Executive and the Director of People.

(In accordance with Article 5 of the Council's Constitution this decision was called in by Councillor Mrs. Thomas for consideration by a joint meeting of the Health Overview and Adult Services and the Place Scrutiny Committee on 18th November, 2019)