

Cabinet DECISION RECORD

Wednesday, 4 September 2024



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Part A – Items considered in public

A6	Status: Part Decision / Recommendation to Council Call-in to apply: No Open	Council Budget Monitoring 2024/25 at Quarter One	RESOLVED that Cabinet: - (a) Note the budget monitoring position for quarter one 2024/25. RECOMMENDED that Cabinet: - (b) Recommend to Council the revenue budget virement set out in paragraph 5. RESOLVED that Cabinet: - (c) Request a detailed report to October Cabinet from the Corporate Director for Children's Services on the High Needs Dedicated Schools Grant expenditure forecast and available mitigation measures in 2024/25. This report will need to seek Council approval for any additional resources over the approved budget. Voting: Unanimous Portfolio Holder: Finance <u>Reason</u> To comply with accounting codes of practice and best practice which requires councils to regularly monitor the annual budget position and take any action to support the sustainability of the council's financial position. To comply with the council's financial regulation concerning approval for budget virements.
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A7	<p>Status: Recommendations Approved</p> <p>Call-in to apply: No</p> <p>Exempt appendices</p>	Risk & Insurance - Annual Review Contract Update Renewals	<p>RESOLVED that Members agree to recommendations a) to g) as set out in the Confidential Appendix 2 of this report.</p> <p>Voting: Unanimous</p> <p>Portfolio Holder: Finance</p> <p><u>Reason</u></p> <p>To maintain and continue to develop the long-term insurance strategy of the council. The objective of the procurement is to balance the risk versus the cost of the insurance cover taking into consideration the risk appetite of the council and the funds available to support self-insurance.</p>
A8	<p>Status: Recommendations Approved (subject to call-in)</p> <p>Call-in to apply: Yes</p> <p>Open</p>	Pay and Reward final position	<p>RESOLVED that: -</p> <p>(a) Cabinet agree the final negotiated position and financial costs associated with implementing Pay and Reward as set out in this report; and</p> <p>(b) Cabinet delegate to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, to make any final adjustments to the scheme and to implement the final arrangements.</p> <p>Voting: Unanimous</p> <p>Portfolio Holder: Transformation and Resources</p> <p><u>Reason</u></p> <p>To allow the negotiation of a new Pay and Reward package to move forward to implementation, subject to successful collective bargaining with the relevant trade unions.</p>

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A9	<p>Status: Recommendations Approved</p> <p>Call-in to apply: No</p> <p>Open</p>	Monitoring Progress with the Shared Vision for Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole - Q1	<p>RESOLVED that Cabinet: -</p> <p>(a) considered the quarter one performance;</p> <p>(b) noted the changes made to the published list of measures in the corporate strategy;</p> <p>(c) noted that the vision performance dashboard will be expanded to include further lenses to view the data; and</p> <p>(d) noted that the live vision performance dashboard has been published on the council website alongside this Q1 performance report.</p> <p>Voting: Unanimous</p> <p>Portfolio Holder: Leader of the Council</p> <p><u>Reason</u></p> <p>Our Shared Vision for Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole sets out the priorities and ambitions that the Council's performance will be judged against and as such is a vital component of the Council's performance management framework.</p> <p>An understanding of performance against targets, goals and objectives helps us assess and manage service delivery and identify emerging business risks.</p>
A10	<p>Status: Recommendations Approved</p> <p>Call-in to apply: No</p>	Progress update on the 'Best Value Notice'	<p>RESOLVED that Members noted the good progress made against the Best Value Notice action plan.</p> <p>Voting: Unanimous</p> <p>Portfolio Holder: Leader of the Council</p> <p><u>Reason</u></p> <p>All actions in response to the 'Best Value Notice' are complete.</p> <p>Officers have given DLUHC, and now the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local</p>

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	Open		Government (MHCLG), regular updates and received positive feedback from Civil Servants on progress and engagement.
A11	<p>Status: Recommendations Approved</p> <p>Call-in to apply: No</p> <p>Open</p>	Financing Nature	<p>RESOLVED that Cabinet: -</p> <p>(a) approves the principle of creating a mechanism to enable BCP Council to sell BNG units from Council owned land (preferred option of the 3 options detailed in the cabinet report);</p> <p>(b) approves the use of up to £400,000, with a flexible drawdown arrangement, of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to the Environment service to make biodiversity enhancements to Council-owned sites in advance of the sale of units; and</p> <p>(c) approves that this project ‘Financing Nature’ be brought back to Cabinet as soon as practical but within 9 months, with a detailed implementation plan.</p> <p>Voting: Unanimous</p> <p>Portfolio Holder: Climate Response, Environment and Energy</p> <p><u>Reason</u></p> <p>The Financing Nature working group are exploring options for developing a mechanism to attract funding to enhance BCP Council’s green infrastructure for the benefit of people and nature. This exciting and innovative project, which is supported by several national organisations such as Natural England and the National Trust, would put BCP Council at the forefront of nature restoration in England. It would also support an efficient and impactful BNG policy in line with national requirements and the forthcoming BCP Local Plan.</p> <p>The purpose is to ensure that development mitigation be directed to strategic sites for greatest benefit and, as the mitigation will be delivered in advance of impact, provide a</p>

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			<p>cost-effective offer to developers to meet BNG obligations with maximum benefit for BCP Council. It also:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides an opportunity for BCP Council to direct the development of the emerging BNG market across the planning policy area. • Supports the delivery of BCP Council's corporate strategy, the growth of the local green economy, and improved access to high-quality natural assets. • Supports the aims and principles of the adopted Green Infrastructure and Urban Forest strategies. • Serves as a proof of concept for a new mechanism that can sustainably fund the long-term creation, restoration, and management of habitats. <p>Doing nothing presents significant risk to BCP's natural environment, ecosystems and communities and missed income for green space improvements. It also presents a significant risk for housing delivery in the region, especially affordable housing. This would mean that BCP's green net would not deliver the benefits it has the potential to deliver for the people of BCP. Along with this, the condition of BCP's green spaces would likely continue to erode and cause a greater maintenance and financial burden on already stretched services and revenue budgets. Additionally, it might also impact on the ability and cost associated with the Council seeking to develop its own sites, where it's not possible to deliver onsite BNG.</p>
A12	<p>Status: Recommendations Approved</p> <p>Call-in to apply: No</p>	Hurn Neighbourhood Plan	<p>RESOLVED that Cabinet: -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Considered each of the recommendations of the examiner which relate to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. a number of modifications to the Submission Version Plan (Appendix 1)

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	Open		<p>b. that the referendum area should not be extended beyond the designated Neighbourhood Area (Appendix 2)</p> <p>2. Agreed with the recommendations by the examiner that the Hurn Neighbourhood Plan be modified as defined by the examiner (Appendix 3);</p> <p>3. Agreed that the modified Hurn Neighbourhood Plan proceeds to referendum;</p> <p>4. Approved the Local Planning Authority's Decision Statement and list of modifications as tabled (Appendix 4); and</p> <p>5. Amend the Local Planning Authority's Decision Statement and list of modifications as tabled (Appendix 4) to reflect Cabinet's decision</p> <p>Voting: Unanimous</p> <p>Portfolio Holder: Leader of the Council</p> <p><u>Reason</u></p> <p>To meet the statutory obligations including provisions set out in the from the Localism Act 2011, the Town & Country Planning Act 1990, the Neighbourhood Planning Act 2017, and the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012 (as amended).</p>
A13	<p>Status: Recommendations Approved</p> <p>Call-in to apply: No</p>	Commissioning & Procurement Transformation Update	<p>RESOLVED that Cabinet: -</p> <p>(a) Noted the content of this report on the progress, challenges and next steps in the Council's Commissioning & Procurement approaches;</p> <p>(b) Noted the outcome of the officer review of the combined</p>

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	Open		<p>commissioning and procurement centre of expertise and the intention to separate the functions;</p> <p>(c) Noted the Council's preparations for implementation of the Procurement Act 2023, and the opportunities for continued development of the contract management and procurement approach, including the establishment of a contracts and procurement board; and</p> <p>(d) Approves the BCP Council Procurement & Contracts Management Strategy 2024 - 2028</p> <p>Voting: Unanimous</p> <p>Portfolio Holder: Transformation and Resources</p> <p><u>Reason</u></p> <p>An effective corporate approach to procurement and contract management is crucial in the light of ever challenging budget reductions and the delivery of the future legislative challenges to ensure internal compliance and delivery of best value for the residents of the area.</p>