

Decisions listed below that are Key Decisions will come into force and may then be implemented on the expiry of 5 clear working days after unless called-in by at least 5 non-executive members in writing and submitted to the Monitoring Officer.

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**Part A – Items considered in public**

8	Capital Update and Property Disposals And Acquisitions Report - Key Decision No: FCR S087	<p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>I. That the scheme for Chief Executives as set out in section 11.1 be given approval as follows:</p> <p>Stoke Newington Library Refurbishment: Spend approval of £4,400k in 2022/23 is requested to fund the refurbishment of this site.</p> <p>II. That the scheme for Climate, Homes &amp; Economy as set out in section 11.2 be given approval as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Highways Planned Maintenance 2022/23: Spend approval of £4,000k in 2022/23 is requested to continue to deliver the 2022/23 Planned Maintenance Highways Programme at various locations across the borough.</li><li>• Highways Surface Water Drainage 2022/23: Spend approval of £280k in 2022/23 is requested to facilitate the delivery of the 2022/23 water drainage programme at various locations across the borough.</li><li>• Planned Bridge Maintenance 2022/23: Spend approval of £300k in 2022/23 is requested for the continuation of the 5 year Bridge Maintenance Programme in the borough.</li></ul>
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LED Lighting Highway 2022/23: Spend approval of £1,250k in 2022/23 is requested to continue the upgrade of the highway's lighting across the entire borough.</li> <li>• Street Lighting Upgrades 2022/23: Spend approval of £195k in 2022/23 is requested to upgrade the existing street lights located across the entire borough.</li> <li>• Developing Borough Infrastructure 2022/23: Spend approval of £600k in 2022/23 is requested to fund to improve the public realm in four identified sites namely Ridley Road Market, Fairchild Gardens and Spring Hill.</li> <li>• Road Safety Programme 2022/23 &amp; 2023/24: Spend approval of £772k (£400k in 2022/23 and £372k in 2023/24) is requested to fund the public realm improvement works on four identified roads namely Albion Road, Downham Road, Cricketfield Road and Pembury Road.</li> <li>• Electric Vehicles (EVs) Charging Points Roll Out Programme: Resource and spend approval of £893k (£112k in 2022/23, £223k in 2023/24, £223k in 2024/25, £223k in 2025/26 and £112k in 2026/27) is requested to fund the roll out programme of residential on-street Electric Vehicles (EVs) charging points across the borough.</li> </ul> <p>III. To approve the purchase of 2a Woodberry Grove, N4 1SN.</p> <p>IV. Delegated authority to the Group Director of Finance and Corporate Resources to settle all the commercial terms of the transaction.</p> <p>V. Paid the stamp duty (SDLT) due on the purchase.</p> <p>VI. Authorised the Director of Legal and Governance Services to prepare, agree, settle and sign the necessary legal documentation to effect the proposals contained in this report and to</p>

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		<p>enter into any other ancillary legal documentation as required.</p> <p><b>REASONS FOR DECISION</b></p> <p>The decisions required are necessary in order that the schemes within the Council's approved Capital programme can be delivered and to approve the property proposals as set out in this report.</p> <p>In most cases, resources have already been allocated to the schemes as part of the budget setting exercise but spending approval is required in order for the scheme to proceed. Where, however, resources have not previously been allocated, resource approval is requested in this report.</p> <p>To facilitate financial management and control of the Council's finances.</p> <p>Proposed Purchase of 2a Woodberry Grove, N4 1SN: As outlined within the report, there is a significant need to expand the stock of social housing in Hackney and retain as well as increase the provision of temporary accommodation. As set out within Part 7 of the Housing Act 1996, the Council has a statutory duty to provide interim temporary accommodation to homeless households to whom it has a duty to provide permanent housing. Currently, meeting this statutory duty requires using expensive nightly let and/or spot purchased accommodation. The acquisition of the Hostel secures the continued provision of this vital accommodation.</p>
9	2022/23 Overall Financial Position Report - August 2022 - Key Decision No: FCR S088	<p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p><b>That the Cabinet:</b></p> <p><b>Approved GLL and the Council continuing to implement decarbonisation and energy saving initiatives that, where possible, do not impact on the customers experience of the leisure centres;</b></p>

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		<p><b>Approved the Council using its existing Leisure Management Contract surplus share in conjunction with the other recommended options as a fund that can be drawn down from to ensure the Contract remains cost neutral or in a small surplus to minimise the impact of fees and charges increases on leisure centre customers; and</b></p> <p><b>Approved the introduction of a 4% increase in all leisure centre fees and charges, with the exception of concessions that will remain at their current level, as soon as possible (giving 30 days notice to leisure centre customers). Then, if <u>necessary and required</u>, introduce a further fees and charges increase of 5.4% on 1 April 2023, with the exception of concessions that would remain at their existing level, as part of the annual fees and charges process.</b></p> <p><b>Approved the principles and process for determining Council intervention to support struggling VCS organisations as set out in Appendix 3</b></p> <p><b>Approved the use of £198,000 from the voluntary sector grants programme reserves and underspend for the award of grants in 2022/23</b></p> <p><b>Delegated authority to approve the grant awards for intervention to the Head of Policy and Strategic Delivery in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Health, adult social care, voluntary sector and leisure</b></p> <p><b>Noted that the Council will be distributing a further £2.8m Household Support Funding to households in the most need with food, energy and water bills.</b></p> <p><b>Noted that Hackney has recently joined the Co-Operative Councils Innovation Network.</b></p> <p><b>Noted the update on the overall financial position for August covering the General Fund</b></p>

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		<p><b>and HRA</b></p> <p><b>REASONS FOR DECISION</b></p> <p>To facilitate financial management and control of the Council's finances and to implement the leisure centre, and voluntary and community centre organisations support recommendations</p>
10	<p>Parking and Enforcement Plan (PEP) Review 2021-26 - Key Decision No: NH S075</p>	<p><b><u>RESOLVED</u></b></p> <p>That the Cabinet:</p> <p>I. Approved the Parking and Enforcement Plan (PEP) 2022-27, as set out in Appendix 1a and 1b, for adoption.</p> <p>II. Delegated authority to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Group Director for Climate, Homes and Economy,</li> <li>• Strategic Director, for Sustainability and Public Realm, and</li> <li>• Head of Parking, Markets, and Street Trading Service.</li> </ul> <p>- to amend the objectives set out in the PEP, in consultation with the lead Cabinet Member with responsibility for Parking, to ensure that it continues to reflect any changes in legislation or other council policies</p> <p>III. Delegated authority to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Group Director for Climate, Homes and Economy,</li> <li>• Strategic Director for Sustainability and Public Realm, and</li> <li>• Head of Parking, Markets, and Street Trading Service.</li> </ul> <p>- to amend the PEP, including but not limited to the delivery of the</p>

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		<p>recommendations, policies, terms and conditions, product limits, and pricing. This will ensure the delivery of the PEP, including its objectives by the dates set out in the report, and enable continuous progress in improving air quality, reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, improving customer service, reducing fraud, and delivering more efficient services.</p> <p><b><u>Reason for decision</u></b></p> <p>The Parking and Enforcement Plan (PEP) provides the policy framework for effective parking management within Hackney. The scope of the proposed PEP is necessarily broad, in part reflecting the complex and challenging linkages between parking and transport, environmental, economic and planning issues. It presents a series of policy recommendations that will be developed and implemented over its lifespan.</p> <p>Hackney's original PEP was agreed upon by Cabinet in January 2005, with subsequent editions approved in November 2009, and April 2016. This iteration was consulted on for 13 weeks during August and November 2021, followed by a further listening exercise in June and July this year.</p> <p>The Council's Parking, Markets, and Street Trading Service (referred to as Parking Services throughout this document), has developed the latest edition of the PEP to address the challenges and opportunities around parking over the next five years, including the need to improve air quality, tackle the climate change emergency, and support the transition to electric vehicles by residents who drive.</p> <p>Each chapter within the proposed PEP explains the parking policy or initiative with a description and some background information. It also presents a series of recommendations to be developed during the lifespan of the PEP.</p> <p>This report (sections 5 to 9) concentrates on the recommendations in the proposed PEP 2022-</p>

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		<p>27 that were amended, recommended without support, or discontinued. All other recommendations supported through the consultation process can be found in appendix 2a and 2b - PEP consultation results and listening exercise feedback.</p> <p>The PEP 2022-27, its objectives, recommendations, and policies work alongside other council-wide initiatives such as; Hackney, a Place for everyone - Corporate Plan 2018-22, the refresh Corporate Plan 2020-22 including Rebuilding a better Hackney, Rebuilding Greener, and the Emergency Transport Plan, Hackney's Transport Strategy 2015-25 and its supplementary Liveable Neighbourhood Plan 2015-25, the Sustainable Community Strategy 2018-28, Air Quality Action Plan 2021-25, the Local Implementation Plan 2019-22, the Local Plan 2033 (LP33) and the London Mayor's Transport Strategy (2018).</p> <p>Each strategy or plan plays an important part in delivering the Council's commitment to our climate emergency declaration made in 2019, where the Council has pledged to not be a net contributor to climate change by 2040.</p>
11	Revision of London Borough of Hackney's Contaminated Land Strategy - Key Decision No: NH S068	<p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b></p> <p>That the Cabinet:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. <b>Approved the draft Contaminated Land Strategy (2022-2030) for adoption and publication.</b></li> <li>II. <b>Delegated authority to the Strategic Director of Sustainability &amp; Public Realm, in consultation with the relevant cabinet member, to approve any future consultations and / or amendments relating to the Contaminated Land Strategy.</b></li> </ul>

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		<p><b><u>Reason for decision</u></b></p> <p>The Council has a statutory obligation under Part 2A to identify and inspect land within its boundaries where it suspects contamination is, or may be, causing unacceptable risks to human health, property or the wider environment.</p> <p>In order to comply with the regulations, the Council is required to develop, implement and periodically review a risk-based inspection strategy outlining how contamination will be dealt with. Hackney's original strategy was published in 2001, and since then, we have been working to that Strategy. The Draft Strategy takes account of the current status and prevailing circumstances regarding contaminated land within the borough.</p> <p>No formal statutory consultation on revisions to a Contaminated Land Strategy is required under Part 2A. However, owing to the length of time that had passed since the previous version was adopted, relevant stakeholders and the public were provided with an opportunity to comment on the Draft Strategy. The opportunity was advertised in Hackney Today, which is delivered to every Hackney household. Key stakeholders were also contacted through direct email communication and hard copies were made available in the Town Hall and borough libraries. The opportunity to submit comments was provided during the period 9 May 2022 to 17 June 2022.</p> <p>No comments on the Draft Strategy were received from the public, nor any of the key stakeholders. Further to the period of consultation, the Draft Strategy has been fully updated and is now submitted to Cabinet for adoption.</p>
12	City and Hackney Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report 2021/22 - Key Decision No: AHI S120	<p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>This report was for information only.</p>



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13	Hackney Libraries Strategy 2022 - 2026 - Key Decision No: CHE S124	<p><b><u>RESOLVED</u></b></p> <p><b>That the Cabinet approved Hackney’s Libraries Strategy 2022-2026 and the associated service transformation which includes the new vision, objectives and service model.</b></p> <p><b><u>Reason for decision</u></b></p> <p>The new Libraries Strategy directly responds to the engagement with 8,450 residents, a Task and Finish Group of elected members, extensive consultation with library staff and strategic conversations with relevant cross-Council departments.</p> <p>Feedback from the ‘Our Libraries’ public engagement campaign shows that residents want access to good quality reading materials and improved digital access to wifi, IT resources, information and study space, more flexible spaces for community use and better communication about what the library has to offer. While the provision of a wide range of books and digital access should remain at the core of the service, local people take the view that libraries must have a broad remit as community hubs for lifelong learning, arts and creativity and community health and wellbeing.</p> <p>The strategy will drive the service forward as a strong collaborator - promoting inclusive, flexible and creative spaces across all libraries that will be utilised by residents as hubs for community wellbeing, cultural development and digital inclusion and will provide access to reading and lifelong learning opportunities. It will explore future options for extended opening hours and study spaces as well as capital investment to renovate and repair library buildings or, in the instance of Woodberry Down, to develop options for a new library provision.</p> <p>The financial savings must be seen together with the service transformation and innovation required to deliver the ambitions of the new Libraries Strategy for this administration. The Library Strategy and the approved budget savings will only be achieved by a wholesale service</p>

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		transformation to redesign the service structure for staff and deliver the £250,000 savings approved as part of setting the budget in February 2022
14	Draft Climate Action Plan - Key Decision No: CHE S140	<p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b></p> <p><b>That the Cabinet:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>I. Approved the draft Climate Action Plan ahead of consultation</b></li> <li><b>II. Requested approval to undertake consultation on the draft Climate Action Plan, over a ten week period to begin following Cabinet;</b></li> <li><b>III. Agreed that officers bring back a report with the results of the consultation, and the amended and final Climate Action Plan in Spring 2023;</b></li> <li><b>IV. To rejoin UK100, thereby adopting a net zero 2030 target for Council emissions, following an internal assurance process.</b></li> </ul> <p><b><u>Reason for decision</u></b></p> <p>The climate and ecological crisis is having a significant negative impact in Hackney and across the world, through increased extreme weather events, such as flooding and extreme heat, that put communities, ecosystems and natural resources at risk. Without drastic reductions in emissions, and adaptation to higher rainfall and warmer temperatures, the impacts of climate change will continue to worsen - affecting our lives and those of future generations. In response, the Council declared a climate</p>

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		<p>emergency in 2019, supported by an ambitious vision to rebuild a greener Hackney in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic.</p> <p>Hackney has made progress in reducing emissions over the last decade. Since 2010, emissions from buildings and road transport in Hackney have fallen by about 27%. Consumption emissions - from the things we all buy and use - have fallen by about 10-15% in the UK overall. Nevertheless, without faster action, driven by ambitious policies and targets, we won't be able to protect communities and ecosystems from the effects of climate change.</p> <p>Since we declared a climate emergency, we have led some of the UK's most innovative work to tackle climate change: ending the dominance of motor vehicle traffic across large parts of Hackney, switching our energy supply to 100% renewable and generating more renewable energy on our buildings. While the Council's emissions only account for about 5% of the borough's overall emissions, our climate emergency declaration commits us to a 45% reduction in Council emissions by 2030 and net zero - where we will no longer be a net contributor to climate change - by 2040.</p> <p>Significant practical project delivery has happened to date and is ongoing, much of which would have formed part of the first phase of delivering a climate action plan, and has focused on achieving wider benefits rather than solely carbon reductions. Further detail of our phase 1 delivery of climate related actions can be found in the three annual reports on progress with our decarbonisation commitments (see background papers).</p> <p>It is clear that our focus over the last couple of years on practical delivery is yielding significant benefits for the borough and its residents, noting there have been a number of awards made to the Council</p>

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		<p>including: Keep Britain Tidy awards and Letsrecycle awards for the introduction of residual waste collection arrangements to street properties; Local Government Chronicle national award in the Climate Response category for the transport related work on LTNs and School Streets, and Council of the year in the London Energy Efficiency awards. Future activity must not only continue at pace but in an increasingly systematic fashion maximising impact as well as working more collaboratively with others to enable progress on boroughwide emissions.</p> <p>This draft Hackney Climate Action Plan (CAP) is the Council's first holistic plan to address the climate and ecological crisis, bringing together the various strands into one overall document and as such is a key marker in consolidating our journey to net zero.</p>
15	Eliminating Violence Against Women and Girls Hackney Strategy and Action Plan 2022 - 2025 - Key Decision No: CE S122	<p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b></p> <p><b>That the <i>Eliminating Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) Hackney Strategy 2022-2025</i> is approved / endorsed.</b></p> <p><b><u>Reason for decision</u></b></p> <p>Sections 5-7 of the Crime &amp; Disorder Act 1998 created Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) which have a duty to -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- reduce crime and disorder;</li> <li>- prevent people from becoming involved in serious violence</li> <li>- reduce instances of serious violence</li> </ul>

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		<p>In pursuance of these duties as they pertain to gender-based violence, the Council has been guided by the national Violence Against Women and Girls Strategy and the London MOPAC VAWG Strategy in having its own Hackney Strategy and Action Plan.</p> <p>Approval of the <i>Eliminating VAWG Strategy</i> is in accordance with the principles of decision making in Article 13 of the Constitution:</p> <p>Proportionality: Given the scale of the issue, it is proportionate for the Council to have an <i>Eliminating VAWG Strategy</i></p> <p>Due consultation: While the Council has not been required to conduct a public consultation it has consulted with members of the public, statutory and community agencies, Council staff and VAWG providers</p> <p>Officer advice: It is the advice of the Lead Officer for Violence Against Women and Girls that the Council endorse the <i>Strategy</i></p> <p>Human rights: Prevention of domestic abuse and Violence Against Women and Girls is in accordance with the Council's commitment to human rights and there is no contradiction between the exercise of the <i>Strategy</i> and the Human Rights act 1996</p> <p>Openness: The Council plans to publish and publicise its <i>Eliminating VAWG Strategy 2022-2025</i>. Its ongoing review and implementation involves groups from across the statutory and voluntary sectors in Hackney.</p> <p>Clarity of aims: The <i>Strategy</i> sets out clearly the 4 key areas of work and accompanying priorities</p> <p>Efficiency: The <i>Strategy</i> identifies and take forward areas of work already underway; their formal endorsement will not hinder the delivery of services and will assist a partnership approach</p>