

# LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY COUNCIL

# CABINET DECISION NOTICE - Monday 24 May 2021

This document outlines the decisions taken at the above Cabinet meeting.

Unless otherwise indicated, executive decisions listed in this document will come into force and may then be implemented 5 working days after publication of this document unless the decision is called in. During that period the Director of Legal & Governance Services may call-in a decision for scrutiny if so required by no fewer than 5 Members of the Council (Part 4 of the Council's Constitution; Scrutiny Procedure Rules: Call-in Procedures).

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# 6.To consider the unrestricted Minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held on 26th April 2021

#### **RESOLVED**:

That the unrestricted minutes of the Cabinet meeting on 26 April March 2021 were approved.

### 7.Capital Update Report - Key Decision No. FCR R69

#### **RESOLVED**:

i) That the schemes for Children and Education as set out in section 9.2 be given approval as follows:

Asbestos Removal at The Garden School: Virement and spend approval of £220k in 2021/22 is requested to remove asbestos at The Garden school.

**Lifecycle Reactive Works Programme 2021/22:** Virement and spend approval of **£800k in 2021/22** is requested to fund the lifecycle maintenance work at 10 schools (secondary and specialist schools).

ii) That the schemes for Neighbourhood & Housing as set out in section 9.3 be given approval as follows:

**Parks Infrastructure:** Spend approval of **£725k in 2021/22** is requested to fund essential maintenance and refurbishments to the existing parks infrastructure.

**Mabley Green All Weather Pitch Fencing:** Spend approval of **£150k in 2021/22** is requested to replace the fencing to the two All Weather Pitches on Mabley Green.

**Public Conveniences and Cafes:** Spend approval of **£225k in 2021/22** is requested to continue the programme of works to refurbish public conveniences in parks and green spaces and introduce cafes/catering outlets in our parks.

**Play Area Refurbishments:** Spend approval of £1,150k (£650k in 2021/22 and £500k in 2022/23) is requested to refurbished existing play areas in the various parks play an important role in providing facilities for residents and visitors to the borough.

**Park Litter Bins Replacement:** Spend approval of **£100k in 2021/22** is requested to replace existing single use litter bins in the borough parks.

**Clissold Lodge Refurbishments:** Spend approval of **£70k in 2021/22** is requested for repairs at Clissold Lodge in Clissold Park.

**Connecting Green Spaces:** Spend approval of **£100k in 2021/22** is requested to fund the Council's 'Connecting Green Spaces'.

**Essential Maintenance to Leisure Centres:** Virement and spend approval of **£100k** in **2021/22** is requested for the urgent works to two facility areas at Clissold Leisure Centre requiring urgent attention: (1) the replacement of the wet side floor tiles and (2) the replacement of the sports hall floor.

**London Fields Learner Pool:** Spend approval of **£500k in in 2021/22** for the development of a new learner/training pool at London Fields Lido.

West Reservoir Centre Improvements: Spend approval of £1,589k (£400k in 2021/22 and £1,189k in 2022/23) to fund the improvement works to West Reservoir Centre.

iii) That the scheme outlined in section 9.4 be noted.

iv) That the S106 schemes as set out in section 9.4.2 and summarised below be noted as follows:

S106	2021/22	2022/23	Total
Capital	468	231	699
Total S106 Resource and Spend for Noting	468	231	699

#### **REASONS FOR DECISION**

The decisions required are necessary in order that the schemes within the Council's approved Capital programme can be delivered as set out in this report.

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.

# 8.Draft Dalston Plan Supplementary Planning Document - Key Decision No. NH R65

**RESOLVED**:

i) To approve the draft Dalston Plan SPD (Appendix 1) for public consultation.

ii) To delegate authority to the Head of Planning to approve administrative alterations, graphical, typographical amendments, to improve cross referencing (e.g para numbering, page numbering) and ahead of consultation.

#### **REASONS FOR DECISION**

Continuous consultation and engagement with stakeholders and the public is integral to producing local plan documents. Consultation on the draft SPD is required in accordance with Regulation 12 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 and will help inform and influence the final version of the SPD.

### 9. Parks and Green Spaces Strategy - Key Decision No. NH R39

#### **RESOLVED**:

i) To approve the new Parks & Green Spaces Strategy as attached to Appendix 1 of this report.

ii) To approve delegation to the Head of Leisure, Parks and Green Spaces, in order to make any future minor amendments to the new Parks and Green Spaces Strategy and associated policies

#### **REASONS FOR DECISION**

Hackney's parks and green spaces are incredibly popular, and incredibly well-used. During the COVID-19 pandemic their importance to the people of Hackney has been highlighted even further, especially for those residents without gardens.

During the pandemic hundreds of thousands of people relied on Hackney's parks and green spaces for their daily exercise, to get out of the house, to meet friends, to walk the dog and to improve their mental health. During some periods Hackney's parks

were so well-used that this use had a negative impact on local people, and the Service had to become quite reactionary to deal with the impact of illegal events, excessive littering and a high volume of complaints.

As we move out of lockdown in 2021 it is important for the Service to be less reactionary, and to ensure it is proactively planning for the future. With the Parks & Green Spaces Service taking on responsibility for maintaining Housing green space in 2021, it is vital that there is a clear vision and set of priorities to guide the joint Service, as well as responding to some of the challenges highlighted in this report, such as the climate emergency and ecological crisis.

## 10.Appointments to Outside Bodies 2021/22

#### **RESOLVED**:

i) To agree the appointment of the Councillors to Outside Bodies on behalf of the Council as listed in Appendix 1.

(ii) To note the appointments made by the Mayor to Outside Bodies on behalf of the Council as listed in Appendix 1.

## 11.Any Other Unrestricted Business the Chair Considers To Be Urgent

There was no other urgent business to consider.

# **12.Dates Of Future Meetings**

Cabinet noted the dates of future meetings.