

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CABINET

MONDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2022

Councillors Present: Mayor Philip Glanville in the Chair

Deputy Mayor Anntoinette Bramble (Vice-Chair), Cllr Robert Chapman, Cllr Mete Coban, Cllr Susan Fajana-Thomas, Cllr Christopher Kennedy, Cllr Guy Nicholson, Cllr Carole Williams, Cllr Caroline Woodley, Cllr Sem Moema, Cllr Yvonne Maxwell and Cllr Sade Etti

Apologies:

Councillor Clayeon McKenzie

A minutes silence was held in memory of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor McKenzie.

2 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.

3 Declarations of interest - Members to declare as appropriate

There were no declarations of interest.

4 Notice of intention to conduct business in private, any representations received and the response to any such representations

There were none.

5 Questions/Deputations

No Deputation or Questions were heard.

6 Unrestricted minutes of the previous meeting of Cabinet held on 18 July 2022

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Cabinet held on the 18 July were approved.

7 Capital Update and Property Disposals and Acquisitions Report - Key Decision Number: FCR S086

RESOLVED

I. That the S106 schemes as set out in para 11 and summarised below be approved as follows:

S106	2022/23 £'000
Revenue	15
Total s106 Revenue for Approval	15

That the expenditure plans and associated resources to be carried from 2021/22 to 2022/23 as set out in Section 12 and summarised below be approved:

Current Directorate	Carry Forward Budget To 22/23
	£'000
Non housing	9,236
Housing	6,281
Total	15,518

III. That the re-profiling of the budgets as set out in Section 13 and summarised below be approved:

Current Directorate	Re-Profiling 22/23	Re-Profiling 23/24	Re-Profiling 24/25
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Non housing	(44,039)	44,205	(166)
Housing	(39,208)	39,661	(453)
Total	(83,247)	83,866	(619)

IV. That the capital programme adjustments as set out in Section 14 and summarised below be approved:

Current Directorate	Capital Adjustments 22/23
	£'000

Total	(175)
Housing	(143)
Non housing	(31)

That the Cabinet:

- V Authorised the sale of the freehold of 149 Stamford Hill London N16 5LG, known as the Clockhouse (as described for information purposes only in the attached plan at Appendix 1).
- VI Delegated authority to the Corporate Director of Finance and Corporate Resources to agree all commercial terms of the transaction.
- VII Authorised consent to the LLDC to enter into a lease with Here East (Studios) Limited and an extension of a lease between the LLDC and Innovation City (London) Ltd.
- VIII Delegated authority to the Director of Legal, Democratic and Electoral Services to settle, agree and enter into all documentation necessary for this transaction.
- IX Delegated authority to the Corporate Director of Finance and Corporate Resources to agree all commercial terms relating to the sale of the Silvertrees Property in Oxfordshire.
- X Delegated authority to the Director of Legal, Democratic and Electoral Services to agree, settle and enter into all necessary legal documentation relating to this transaction including any legal agreement required by the local planning authority for the change of use of the premises to residential.

REASONS FOR DECISION

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.

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.

To facilitate financial management and control of the Council's finances.

8 2022/2023 Overall Financial Position - July 2022 - Key Decision No: FCR S068 - To Follow

RESOLVED:

There are no specific recommendations arising from this report. Members are asked to note the update on the overall financial position for July covering the General Fund, Capital and the HRA

REASONS FOR DECISION

To facilitate financial management and control of the Council's finances

9 Eliminating Violence Against Women and Girls Hackney Strategy and Action Plan 2022 - 2025 - Key Decision No: CE S122

This item was deferred to the Cabinet due to be held on the 24 October 2022.

10 Revision of London Borough of Hackney's Contaminated Land Strategy -Key Decision No: NH S068

This item was deferred to the Cabinet due to be held on the 24 October 2022.

11 Building Council Homes for Londoners (BCHfL) Grant Agreement - Right to Buy-back - Key Decision No: CHE S125

<u>Resolved</u>

Cabinet agreed to the Council entering a BCHfL grant agreement with the GLA in order to secure grant funding of £9,951,300.

Reason for decision

Demand for affordable housing in Hackney is significant and in the last few years has risen rapidly while supply has decreased. Only 409 lets were made available from Council and housing association stock in 2019/20 in the borough, compared with 1,229 in 2016/17 and 1,638 10 years prior in 2010/11. In the context of decreasing availability of lets, Hackney Council continues to strive to increase supply, including additional social housing properties, but demand exceeds what the Council can deliver. In response, the Council has been examining a range of options to expand its social housing stock, including the acquisition of former Council properties that were lost to the Right-to-Buy policy to bring these back for use by families on Hackney's housing waiting list.

The Council submitted bids totalling £9,951,300 of GLA funding against 36 housing units that have been bought back under the Right to Buy-back fund, as well as 27 social rent units at Bucklands Road and 22 social rent units at Wimbourne. In order to secure the funding allocation, the Council must enter into a BCHfL grant agreement with the GLA.

12 Schedule of Local Authority School Governor appointments

Resolved:

That the Cabinet approved the following nominations as set out below:

Governing Body Na	ne Date Effective
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13 New items of unrestricted urgent business

There were none.

14 Exclusion of the press and public

The meeting did not move into an exempt session.

15 Building Council Homes for Londoners (BCHfL) Grant Agreement - Right to Buy-back - Key Decision No: CHE S125

No discussion.

16 New items of exempt urgent business

There were none.

Duration of the meeting: 6.00 - 6.15 pm