

Public

MINUTES of a meeting of **CABINET** held on 22 November 2016 at County Hall, Matlock.

PRESENT

Councillor A Western (in the Chair)

Councillors D Allen, A Botham, D Collins and J A Coyle.

Also in attendance – Councillors P Jones, B Lewis and D Lomax and Miss J Bastard (Derbyshire Youth Council)

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor P J Smith.

355/16 MINORITY GROUP LEADERS' QUESTIONS

Councillor B Lewis asked the following questions:

(1) Agenda Item 8(a) - Budget Monitoring 2016-17 as at 31 August 2016

- The report describes an overspend for local bus services of £2.055m as being met from the general reserve, that will then result in an underspend of £0.728m. Describe the process that justifies the description of this being an underspend?

- On page 5, the penultimate paragraph describes an underspend of £0.178m to be used to provide capacity for essential council priorities including Communication and Policy. What is meant by essential priorities under this heading?

Councillor A Western, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Strategic Policy, Economic Development and Budget responded that the approach taken to use the General Reserve to fund the overspend on local bus services was entirely in accordance with normal accounting practices. The Director of Finance added that the report was transparent on the use of General reserves.

Councillor Western further indicated that the use of the underspend of £0.178m was to meet a variety of pressures including in the Call Centre and the Communications.

(2) Agenda Item 8(b) – Capital Budget Monitoring

Could the Cabinet Member describe the process and issues that led to the delay to the roll out of the LED lighting scheme and how this has contributed to an overspend in this Department?

Councillor D Collins, Cabinet Member – Highways, Transport and Infrastructure responded that the LED Invest to Save Project was a £23.3million scheme that sought to replace nearly 80% of conventional street lights with LED luminaires and to replace those lighting columns that were deemed to be at or close to the limits of their serviceable life.

The project consisted of two elements of work. The first was the supply of luminaires and the second was the installation of luminaires and replacement of lamp columns. Approval was granted in October 2014 to proceed with the project. The supply contract was tendered and evaluated in the first half of 2015. However, following a challenge from a manufacturer, legal advice was to rewrite the specification and invite tenders again. This was completed in February 2016 and reported to Cabinet in June 2016.

The installation contracts were tendered without delay. Since that time, work had been progressing on the contractual arrangements and it was expected that work would start in December. The late start had meant that a proportion of the £390,000 reduction in energy costs anticipated for 2016-17 would not be realised.

(3) Agenda Item 8(c) – Treasury Management Strategy

- Who are Drakelow Developments Ltd and their Directors? How much is this loan for and do they have sufficient assets?
- What is the rationale for the loan to the Derby Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust? Could the detail be clarified? Why are Derby City Council not able to contribute to services in their own city in this way?

Councillor A Western, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Strategic Policy, Economic Development and Budget responded that the report was purely about changing the Treasury Management Strategy so that the loans could be given if the Council decided to proceed. The Drakelow loan was subject of a report to Cabinet on the 26 July 2016 and would be used by Drakelow Developments to finance a new bridge and road.

The loan to Derby Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust could generate up to £90k in interest to the Council as a result of lending surplus cash in the same way as the Council does to other public bodies. The Derby Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust doesn't just provide services to residents of Derby City but across the whole of the southern Derbyshire area.

(4) Agenda Item 8(i) – Introduction of Average Minimum Guaranteed Hours Contract Arrangements for Relief Employees

Would the Cabinet Member not agree that it is recognised in this report that zero hours contract represented convenient, flexible working for many employees, yet political ideology lead by unions, has created an over-complex system that will create more problems than it solves? Does this “reform” not discriminate and create difficulties for employees who choose not to do it and for the public purse?

Councillor A Botham, Cabinet Member for Council Services responded that no employees were being forced to take up a guaranteed minimum contract. It was an offer based on 70% of the average hours worked over the previous three year period. This would be of benefit to low paid employees providing them with stability and access to mortgages, car loans and credit and removing the need for pay day loans. It was a positive move at no cost to the Council which would do a lot for the low paid workers of the County Council.

(5) Agenda Item 8(j) – Response to the Public Consultation on Potential Changes to the Local Bus and Community Transport

- Could the Cabinet Member describe the level of public discontent that has led him to doing a U-turn?
- Could he explain this authority’s total disregard for the role and work of Community Transport in delivering essential services in Derbyshire?
- Despite assurances that this will reduce agency usage – it won’t – would the Cabinet Member also agree that dipping into reserves is not sustainable into the future and that Derbyshire Connect is clearly a fudge to hide the fact that he has no Plan B?
- Did the Cabinet Member not consider that rural areas in particular require a bespoke approach to provide a service to hard to reach people and deal with issues where people require additional support, such as loading wheelchairs, etc?
- Would the Cabinet Member not agree that he needs to commit to a resource soon to build a decent service?

Councillor D Collins, Cabinet Member – Highways, Transport and Infrastructure responded that as the report outlined, the Council received over 4,000 completed questionnaires in response to the consultation containing over 20,000 individual comments. This was an unprecedented level of response in the light of which it was only right that Members listened to such feedback and respond accordingly.

As Councillor Lewis was well aware, this Council had generously supported Community Transport across the County over many years. However, in the light of the recent State Aid ruling, it was no longer possible for the Council to grant aid these organisations in the future. To mitigate any impact on service users, the report proposed the establishment of a Derbyshire Connect service, soon to be piloted in the Ashbourne area, which would be competitively tendered and which retained many of the elements of the current Dial-a-bus Service. There would be opportunities for the existing Community Transport organisations to bid for this work.

Councillor Collins said that he was not clear to what the reference to agency usage referred. However, the Council was facing significant financial challenges due to the unprecedented level of Government imposed cuts. By using reserves, the Council was able to maintain services at least until March 2018 and, in the meantime, this provided time for officers, working with commercial operators who already provided 85% of the current bus network, to look at ways to make services more sustainable in the long-term.

The new Derbyshire Connect Service recognised the transport needs of people living in rural areas including those who had additional support needs. The pilot due to commence in the Ashbourne area was working with Ashbourne Community Transport and the work of the Total Transport Pilot would allow the Council to learn lessons to inform the future shape of this new service going forward.

Councillor Lewis was aware of the current pressures on the Council budget due to Government imposed cuts. This Council had however, committed to providing funding for current services until March 2018 and was confident that officers, working closely with commercial operators in the meantime, would be able to ensure services were sustainable in the future.

356/16 **MINUTES** **RESOLVED** that the non-exempt minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held on 1 November 2016 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

357/16 **CABINET MEMBER MEETINGS – MINUTES** **RESOLVED** to receive the non-exempt minutes of Cabinet Member meetings as follows:-

- (a) Adult Social Care – 18 October 2016
- (b) Council Services – 24 and 31 October 2016
- (c) Highways, Transport and Infrastructure – 25 October 2016
- (d) Strategic Policy, Economic Development and Budget – 25 October 2016
- (e) Health and Communities – 1 November 2016
- (f) Children's Services – 8 November 2016

358/16 **CORPORATE PARENTING COMMITTEE – MINUTES** **RESOLVED** to receive the minutes of the meeting of the Corporate Parenting Committee held on 20 September 2016.

359/16 BUDGET MONITORING 2016-17 (as at 31 August 2016) (Strategic Policy, Economic Development and Budget) The Director of Finance updated Cabinet on the latest budget monitoring position as at 31 August 2016 and provided a summary of the controllable budget position by Cabinet Member portfolio. Further reports would also be considered at Cabinet Member meetings, the Audit Committee and Council in accordance with Budget Monitoring Policy and Financial Regulations. Where departments had asked to carry forward budget from 2015-16, it required final approval from the appropriate Cabinet Member.

The Adult Social Care, Children's Services, Highways, Transport and Infrastructure and Health and Communities portfolios illustrated overspends. However, Adult Social Care, Children's Services and Health and Communities would use earmarked reserves to record a break-even position, whilst the current overspend for local bus services of £2.055m would be met from the General Reserve which would result in an underspend of £0.728m for the Highways, Transport and Infrastructure portfolios. Details of the projected outturn compared to controllable budget was presented in the report.

RESOLVED to note the 2016-17 budget monitoring position as at 31 August 2016.

360/16 CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING TO MONTH 5 2016 -17(Strategic Policy, Economic Development and Budget) The Director of Finance informed Cabinet of the latest budget monitoring position for open Capital Schemes. The current budget was approximately £658m, with the latest budget monitoring showing a forecast overspend over the life of the projects of £1.289m. A position statement by department was attached at Appendix 1 to the report.

RESOLVED to note the current position of the monitoring of Capital Schemes.

361/16 TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY (Strategic Policy, Economic Development and Budget) The Director of Finance sought approval to recommend a revised Treasury Management Strategy 2016-17 to Council.

On 26 January 2016, Cabinet considered the Treasury Management Strategy 2016-17 alongside the Prudential Code for Capital Finance and Capital Programme Approvals. The Strategy was subsequently approved by full Council on 10 February 2016. It was proposed to amend the Treasury Management Strategy to reflect a number of initiatives that had developed since February 2016 including;

- Drakelow Developments Limited
- Derby Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
- Derbyshire Developments Limited

The three initiatives had been reflected in the revised Strategy, a copy of which was attached at Appendix 1 to the report.

RESOLVED To note the revised Treasury Management Strategy 2016-17 and recommend to full Council that the Strategy be approved.

362/16 MINIMUM REVENUE PROVISION (MRP) (Strategic Policy, Economic Development and Budget) The Director of Finance reported on a proposed change to the Council's Minimum Revenue Provision Policy. Local authorities were required to set aside prudent revenue provision for debt repayment where they had used borrowing or credit arrangements to finance capital expenditure. Statutory Guidance covering MRP set out various options and boundaries for calculating, further details of which were presented in the report.

A number of options had been considered and appropriate financial modelling undertaken following advice from the Council's Treasury Management Advisers. As a result it was proposed that the revised Policy would read as follows;

- To provide 2.5% of debt outstanding on all debts as at 31 March 2008.
- On any new debt since this date, to provide 2.5% of the balance on all borrowing unless any unsupported borrowing relates to any significant assets with a life of less than twenty years. In this case an annual amount based on the expected useful life of the individual asset is used and where those assets were vehicles then an average of five years was used.

The Policy would be reviewed annually as part of the Treasury Management Report considered by Council. The Council's External Auditors had been consulted on the proposed changes and were minded not to challenge the principles being put forward by the Council for re-profiling its MRP charge.

RESOLVED to note the proposed changes to the Council's MRP Policy and recommend to Council that the revised Policy be approved.

363/16 COMPLIMENTS AND COMPLAINTS OVERVIEW 2015-16 (Strategic Policy, Economic Development and Budget) The Chief Executive informed Cabinet of compliments received by the Council during the 2015-16 financial year, complaints dealt with under the Council's Complaints Procedure and details of the Local Government Ombudsman (LGO) Annual Review Letter in respect of the County Council for the year ended 31 March 2016.

The report provided details by department of compliments and complaints received including details of the outcome of complaints. It was noted that in terms of completed complaints, 66% were replied to within the agreed timescales. However, for a variety of reasons, it was becoming increasingly difficult to resolve complaints within the agreed timescales. The current Corporate Complaints Procedure and Guidance were due for review and part of the review would involve agreeing a more realistic timescale to respond to complaints, particularly at stage 1 of the process.

A copy of the LGO Annual Review letter which detailed the total number of complaints for Derbyshire for the period ending 31 March 2016 was attached at Appendix 2 to the report.

RESOLVED to (1) note the key issues relating to the complaints procedure, the monitoring of complaints and changes to services as a result of complaints received;

(2) continue to use the information contained within the report to support key process and service improvements within departments;

(3) undertake a review of the Corporate Complaints Procedure and Guidance including agreeing a more realistic timescale for responding to stage 1 complaints; and

(4) receive a report on progress on developments and complaints and compliments following the end of the 2016-17 monitoring period.

364/16 AUDIT CHARTER (Council Services) The Director of Finance informed Members of the review and update of the Audit Charter which was a specific requirement of the Public Sector Internal Audit Standard. The Charter had been updated to include changes to the regulatory framework and Council policies, a copy of which was attached at Appendix 1 to the report.

RESOLVED to approve the revisions to the Audit Charter.

365/16 THE STATE OF THE ESTATE (Council Services) The Strategic Director - Corporate Resources reported to Cabinet on the State of the Estate for 2015-16. The Council had a large and varied property estate which cost a significant amount of money to maintain. To date, no overall picture of the cost or performance of the estate had ever been prepared and presented. The report attempted to demonstrate the cost, performance and effectiveness of the Council's property portfolio during the last full financial year and it provided the direction of travel and strategies to be utilised in respect of the future use and management of the estate. It was intended that a State of the Estate report would be prepared and reported to Cabinet on an annual basis.

RESOLVED to note the State of the Estate report for 2015-16.

366/16 CHANGES TO THE CALCULATION OF NORMAL HOLIDAY PAY (Council Services) The Strategic Director - Corporate Resources sought approval to the introduction of a new framework agreement for the calculation and payment of "normal holiday pay" for employees subject to Derbyshire Package Terms and Conditions, including schools support staff.

Over the past few years, there had been a large amount of litigation in respect of the appropriate way to calculate holiday pay and which elements of pay should be

included in the calculations. A number of recent judgements had provided some clarification in respect of elements of pay which should be included such as overtime and unsocial hours enhancement but had left other questions such as appropriate reference period unanswered. Further details were presented in the report.

Following joint discussions undertaken through the Council's CJC consultation machinery with all constituent trade unions, a revised framework agreement which better reflected the revised legal requirements had been produced, a copy of which was attached at Appendix 1 to the report. Following joint consultations with the trade unions, it was proposed that those individuals affected on the initial introduction of the agreement, would receive twice the annual value based on the 2015-16 earnings, which in effect represented twelve months retrospection. It was proposed that this would be paid in one sum at the same time as the initial payment.

RESOLVED to approve (1) the normal holiday pay framework as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report on the basis that the joint collective agreement was achieved with the recognised trade unions;

(2) twelve months retrospective payment for those individuals affected on initial introduction of the framework; and

(3) a joint review of the framework agreement should be undertaken periodically, initially annually, to reflect any changes in case law and/or statutory requirements/regulations.

367/16 INTRODUCTION OF AVERAGE MINIMUM GUARANTEED HOURS CONTRACT ARRANGEMENTS FOR RELIEF EMPLOYEES (Council Services)

The Strategic Director - Corporate Resources sought approval for the introduction of average guaranteed minimum hours contract arrangements for those relief employees who currently had no contractual hours guaranteed with the Council.

There were currently in excess of 2,800 employees (excluding individuals employed in schools), who were employed on existing "as and when" relief contract arrangements. Of these, approximately 1,300 held other appointments with the Council that did attract guaranteed hours which meant there were presently in the region of 1,500 workers who worked varying degrees of regularity and levels of hours that currently had no guarantee of work. These contracts did not include any "exclusivity" or "work refusal continuity" clauses which would mean that the workers were prevented from working for other employers, couldn't refuse hours without potentially compromising their future use and so did not technically represent zero hours contract. It did however, mean that there were a significant number of the Council's existing relief workforce who were required to work regularly without any contractual guarantee.

The initial focus had been given to the 1,500 or so staff who did not have a contractual hours guarantee recognising that arrangements for relief workers with other part-time contracts and existing part-time workers who picked up additional

hours on a regular basis would need to be considered under subsequent phases of the project, and would therefore be subject to a separate report to Cabinet.

The detailed framework proposed was presented at Appendix 1 to the report with the proposed timeline for the introduction of the new framework being set out at Appendix 2.

RESOLVED to approve (1) the adoption of the average guaranteed minimum contract framework for former relief employees as detailed at Appendix 1 to the report;

(2) the implementation of the new framework arrangements on the basis set out in the proposed timeline detailed at Appendix 2 to the report; and

(3) a review of arrangements relating to the future recruitment of relief workers in light of the take up of the contract offers to existing staff and prior to operation of the new arrangements from April 2017.

368/16 RESPONSE TO THE PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON POTENTIAL CHANGES TO LOCAL BUS AND COMMUNITY TRANSPORT SERVICES

(Highways, Transport and Infrastructure) The Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Communities asked Cabinet to consider the County Council's response to public consultation on proposed changes to funding for conventional bus and Community Transport services and agree a way forward.

At its meeting on 26 January 2016, Cabinet agreed to consult on proposals to cease all funding for supportive bus services and Community Transport Dial-a-bus services with effect from 1 October 2017. Views had also been sought on proposals to mitigate the impact of these cuts by providing a pre-bookable Demand Responsive Transport (DRT) service and a Door-to-Door Plus service for people with particular needs who might be unable to use the DRT service.

An extensive public consultation exercise aimed to target those who would be most directly affected by the proposed changes had been undertaken over an eight week period ending on 24 April 2016, further details of which were presented in the report. There has been a good level of response to the survey, further details of which were presented and a summary of responses was attached at Appendix 1 to the report. A detailed Equality Impact Analysis was undertaken to assist the impact of the proposal on the protected characteristic groups. A copy of the Analysis was attached at appendix 2 to the report.

It was clear that the vast majority of those responding to the survey disagreed with the proposal to withdraw funding for supported bus services, with a smaller majority disagreeing with a proposal to withdraw Community Transport Dial-a-Bus services. The concept of introducing DRT on a County-wide basis was also rejected by the majority of respondents, as people generally preferred the convenience of a "turn-up and go" service without the need for pre-booking. The survey also showed

that there was concern about the needs of people who would find it difficult to use conventional public transport and this was reflected in the support for the proposed Door-to-Door Plus service.

It was difficult to reconcile the consultation results with the proposals outlined to Cabinet on 26 January 2016. It was evident from the survey that the real value of local bus services was not the bus services themselves, but more the access they provided to essential services such as work, education, food shopping, Doctor's appointments etc. There were of course some people who had a choice and could make other arrangements, but for many, the loss of a bus service would have far-reaching implications.

The financial pressures on the Authority had not diminished, but officers were of the view that the consultation proposals would have an unacceptable impact on people who depended on the services. The introduction of DRT types services would have helped some people, but evidence from elsewhere in the country where it had been introduced, suggested that only a relatively small proportion of the 4.2 million journeys a year could be met in this way. An alternative proposal of retaining some conventional bus services would cater for more passengers, however, the level of funding proposed in the consultation would mean that the number of services that could be operating would be very limited, even if major reductions in frequency and hours operation were introduced. This approach would also leave a number of areas of the County without any buses at all.

The County Council was therefore in a very difficult position with the pressure on budgets being unprecedented. It was clear however, from the strong responses to the consultation, that going ahead with the cuts would have a significant impact on the day-to-day life of many Derbyshire residents.

The County Council had recently agreed to undertake a pilot DRT service in an area north of Ashbourne which should provide some valuable lessons in understanding the scope for this type of service to meet transport needs in rural areas. However, across the County as a whole, DRT or provision of a limited number of conventional services was unlikely to meet the transport needs of Derbyshire residents. It was therefore suggested that the original consultation proposals for withdrawing support for local bus services and introducing County-wide DRT services should not be proceeded with and that the Authority should instead, develop an approach that met people's needs for accessibility, whilst moving towards a more stable and financially sustainable future. This would require a new approach with an emphasis on developing partnerships with commercial bus operators; actively managing the supported bus network to make best use of the budget; and exploring opportunities for integrating services more effectively. This would of course have significant financial implications and would inevitably increase the pressure on the County Council's very limited resources. Further details of the proposals were presented in the report.

Cabinet had previously agreed that services designed to meet individual needs, which were currently provided by the Community Transport organisations, should be subject to a competitive tendering process and that existing grant funding arrangements would end in September 2017. The consultation confirmed the importance that was attached to the services and officers were currently developing proposals for tendering a “Derbyshire Connect” service designed to meet these needs. This would incorporate elements of the consultation proposals including the concept of a Door-to-Door service and the potential for DRT type services in areas with very low levels of demand and this would be the subject of a further report to Cabinet.

The indicative future spending programme showed that overall spending would reduce from £5.044m in 2016-17 to £3.9m in 2020-21. Commitment to a programme of support for services over an extended period would help to ensure stability for passengers and enable the Authority to get the best possible value for money, further details of which were presented in the report.

RESOLVED to (1) note the outcome of the public consultation and proposed changes to local bus and Community Transport services as detailed in the report;

(2) reject the proposals to withdraw funding for local bus services that formed the basis of consultation and agree to pursue an approach to public transport as detailed in the report;

(3) confirm the proposals to withdraw grant funding for Community Transport;

(4) agree in principle to the introduction of a new “Derbyshire Connect” service from October 2017 to help meet travel demands not met through conventional bus services;

(5) agree to receive a further report on the detailed proposals for the Derbyshire Connect Service;

(6) agree to receive a further report on proposals for developing a Derbyshire Bus Strategy in conjunction with bus operators and representatives of bus passengers; and

(7) note the profile of indicative spending for the period 2017-18 to 2020-21 as detailed in the report and the impact this would have if alternative funding could not be identified

369/16 ELECTRONIC KITCHEN MANAGER SOLUTION (Children’s Services)
The Strategic Director – Children’s Services sought approval to use the Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation (YPO) Framework No. 684 to procure an electronic kitchen management solution.

To enable the County Council to offer a competitive service to schools and to meet the increased demand in communication, Catering Services recognised that there was an urgent need to introduce a hosted and fully web-based kitchen management solution which would reduce the amount of manual processing required thus saving time, improving data quality and financial forecasting.

RESOLVED to approve the use of the Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation Framework No. 684 for the procurement of a kitchen management solution.

370/16 EARLY YEARS PLACES BID FOR THE DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION AND EARLY YEARS FUNDING ALLOCATIONS (Children's Services) The Strategic Director – Children's Services sought approval to confirm a bid to the Department for Education (DfE) for the funding to provide additional early years places.

In June 2016, the DfE issued bidding guidance for the Early Years Capital Fund, further details of which were presented in the report. The preparation of a bid involved significant investigation work both to ensure a project could be delivered within a very tight timescale and to analyse potential bids to identify which ones best met the DfE criteria. It was not possible to complete this within the timescales that were allowed and it was therefore agreed with the Cabinet Member for Children's Services that the bids would be submitted and subsequently reported to Cabinet.

Bids were required for areas where there was an under supply in relation to thirty hours' free entitlement offer, cost less than £1m and had a minimum of 25% financial contribution from another source. Three applications were received from Private, Voluntary and Independent (PVI) providers namely, Kinder View Day Nursery, Glossop and two from Darcy Bunnie Day Nursey, Hilton.

The timing of the initiative being so close to the end of term and the tight deadlines resulted in the Council receiving no applications from schools. As a consequence, an exercise was undertaken to identify potential projects in schools that would meet the funding criteria. Three school projects were identified based on the criteria of being in an area of greatest under supply and being located at a site large enough to take a modular building. The sites identified which matched the criteria were Larklands Infant School, Ilkeston, Simmondley Primary School, Glossop, and St. John's CE Primary School, Belper. Details of the costs of these projects and the PVI contributions were presented in the report.

A number of buildings previously used for Children's Centres were now available for use for provision of Early Years places, often because they were located on school sites. However, a number of these buildings required some investment so they could meet Ofsted requirements for delivery of Early Years places. It was proposed that £250k be allocated from the Early Years Capital Funding to enable ten to fifteen Children's Centres to be brought into use provide Early Years places. The individual project allocations would be subject to approval by the Cabinet Member for Children's Services.

RESOLVED to approve (1) the details included in the bid to the DfE for funding for Early Years places as detailed in the report;

(2) contributions to these projects subject to the bids being successful of; Larklands Infant School, Ilkeston, £156k; Simmondley Primary School, Glossop, £152k and St. John's CE Primary School, Belper, £160k;

(3) initial design work on the three schemes totalling £120k; and

(4) the allocation of £250k to support the conversion of a number of Children's Centres, with individual projects being subject to approval by the Cabinet Member for Children's Services.

371/16 CHILDREN'S SERVICES CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2016-17 JOINT FUNDING INITIATIVE FOR SCHOOLS (Children's Services) Miss J Bastard, Derbyshire Youth Council introduced a report of the Strategic Director – Children's Services which sought approval to a schedule of joint funded projects submitted by schools as a charge on the budget approved in the 2016-17 Children's Services Capital Programme.

On 24 May 2016, Cabinet agreed to allocate £500k to continue with the Joint Funding Initiative which had initially been introduced in 2012-13. The initiative enabled schools to bid for 50% funding support from the Authority to undertake priority schemes which would improve the condition of their school, site/buildings and also included this year, were bids to improve the safeguarding of children or help with the creation of school places utilising existing accommodation. This Initiative also helped reduce the backlog of school maintenance works identified in the Asset Management Plan.

The Authority had received new bids for projects from fifty-nine schools as detailed in the Appendix to the report, with the Authority contribution for all these projects being £647,773.

A budget of £500k had been approved in the Capital Programme and there was also £16,856 unallocated from the 2015-16 Joint Funding Initiative. The total allocations proposed of £647,773, exceeded the funding available by £130,908. A preliminary analysis for the outturn from the previous years' joint match funding schemes had indicated that this could be funded from savings in previous years. It was proposed that a paper be presented to the Cabinet Member – Children's Services detailing the savings realised in Joint Match Funding Schemes.

RESOLVED to approve the joint funded projects as detailed in the Appendix to the report, with funding being split equally between the schools and the Authority, resulting in a charge of £647,773 against the Children's Services Capital Programme.

372/16 ALCOHOL AND FAMILIES: RESEARCH AND SOCIAL MARKETING CAMPAIGN

(Health and Communities) The Director of Public Health sought approval to procure a combined research programme and social marketing campaign to address the impact of alcohol use on parenting in order to achieve improved health outcomes across Derbyshire to be delivered over two years, commencing on 1 April 2017.

The proposed project was intended to provide specific, researched and evidenced based social marketing activities, targeted at the significant adults in families (parents, carers and grandparents), in order to influence their parenting style in relation to alcohol. A two phased project was proposed. Phase one would involve research over a six month period to assist in the design and development of the campaign and phase two would design and deliver a social marketing campaign targeted at adult family members to change attitudes and beliefs around alcohol in order to improve the health outcomes for both them and their children.

The research would determine the nature and type of campaign to elicit the most effective response from the different adult generations in relation to alcohol. Where appropriate, connections would be made between the proposed project and existing projects in Derbyshire which already identified alcohol misuse as a priority health problem. The provider of the proposed project would be required to communicate and develop treatment pathways with a recently commissioned integrated substance misuse treatment service (Derbyshire Recovery Partnership). The research obtained through the project would benefit wider local public health analysis by providing information on the beliefs and attitudes of specific targeted cohorts in Derbyshire. Findings and campaign outcomes would also additionally assist in the rebalancing of resources between the drugs and alcohol elements of the Derbyshire Recovery Partnership as new people accessed the service. Details of the key outcomes of the project were presented in the report.

RESOLVED to approve the procurement of a combined research programme and social marketing campaign to address the impact of alcohol use in parenting in order to achieve improved health outcomes across Derbyshire, to be delivered over two years commencing on 1 April 2017.

373/16 AMENDMENT TO FORMAT OF EXTENSION OF CONTRACT: DERBYSHIRE INTEGRATED SEXUAL HEALTH SERVICE (DISHS) (Health and Communities) The Director of Public Health sought approval to amend the format of the extension period of the DISHS contract to Derbyshire Community Health Services NHS Foundation Trust from two one year periods to a combined two years from 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2019.

RESOLVED to approve an amendment to the format of the extension period of the DISHS contract to Derbyshire Community Health Services NHS Foundation Trust from two one year periods to a combined two years from 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2019.

374/16 DERBYSHIRE STOP SMOKING SERVICE (Health and Communities)

The Director of Public Health sought approval to reimburse the four Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCG's) for the costs of the smoking cessation pharmacotherapy products throughout 2016-17.

There were a range of smoking cessation pharmacotherapy products available to help smokers to quit smoking. A local pathway existed to allow smokers to access these products whilst receiving support from the stop smoking services. The monies for smoking cessation products issued on a prescription did not originally transfer to the local authorities when Public Health responsibilities transferred on 1 April 2013. Instead they were included within CCG budget. Following discussions with the CCG's in Derbyshire, it was agreed that the County Council would hold the budgets associated with the costs of smoking cessation pharmacotherapy products issued on a prescription. Therefore the budgets were transferred from the Derbyshire CCG's by the Department of Health to Derbyshire's ring-fenced Public Health Grant with effect from 1 April 2016. However prescriptions issued in general practice were initially charged CCG prescribing budgets and therefore it was expected that CCG's would be invoicing Derbyshire Public Health for these costs as they no longer held the budget for prescriptions related to the smoking cessation service.

RESOLVED to approve the reimbursement of smoking cessation pharmacotherapy products to the four Derbyshire CCG's listed in the report during 2016-17.

375/16 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM THE MEETING **RESOLVED** that the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the remaining items on the agenda to avoid the disclosure of the kind of exempt information detailed in the following summary of proceedings.

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS CONDUCTED AFTER THE PUBLIC HAD BEEN EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING

1. To consider Minority Group Leaders' questions;
2. To confirm the exempt minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held on 1 November 2016;
3. To receive the exempt minutes of Cabinet Member Meetings as follows;
 - (a) Council Services – 24 October 2016
 - (b) Children's Services – 8 November 2016
4. To consider the exempt report of the Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Communities on the supply of plant (Highways, Transport and Infrastructure) (contains information relating to the financial and business affairs of a particular person, including the Authority holding that information).
5. To consider the report of the Strategic Director – Adult Care on the revised Integrated Specialist Facilities Scheme at Belper: Land Acquisition (Adult Social

Care) (contains information relating to the financial and business affairs of a particular person, including the Authority holding that information).