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MINUTES of a meeting of **CABINET** held on **4 March 2014** at County Hall Matlock.

PRESENT

Councillor A Western (in the Chair)

Councillors D Allen, J Dixon, K Gillott and C Neill.

Councillor A I Lewer also attended the meeting.

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors K P Morgan and B Ridgway.

78/14 QUESTIONS SUBMITTED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were no public questions.

79/14 QUESTIONS SUBMITTED BY MINORITY GROUP LEADERS

Councillor A I Lewer asked the following questions;

Agenda Item (7b) – Managing the Transition of Commissioned Public Health Services in Glossopdale from Tameside to Derbyshire - Could the Cabinet Member provide some more detail on the other services that account for the difference between the £1,684,000 referred to on page one of the report and the £930,000 referred to under financial considerations on page four?

Councillor D Allen responded that there were two reasons for the difference between the £1,684,000 referred to on page one of the report and the £930,000. Firstly, some of the difference between these figures was accounted for by the County Council directly commissioning or delivering some of the Public Health services in Glossop rather than commissioning through Tameside MBC. These included:

- Some aspects of health protection, including responsibility for emergency planning and infection control from 1 April 2014
- Falls prevention which we are commissioning directly from Age UK and Tameside and Glossop Care Commissioning Group from 1 April 2014
- The community development worker in Gamesley would be employed by DCC from 1 April 2014
- Substance misuse services will be commissioned directly by the County Council from 1 July 2014

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- The lifestyle services (smoking, weight management, health trainers etc) would be commissioned directly by the County Council from 1 October 2014.

The services would continue to be delivered but the County Council would pay for them directly rather than through TMBC, hence a reduction in the payment to Tameside MBC.

The second reason for the difference is that the Public Health budget which the County Council inherited from Tameside and Glossop PCT included overhead costs and budget lines classified as 'miscellaneous', for example, social marketing, public health network and partnership working. These functions were being integrated into the routine work of the Public Health directorate, hence the budgets would be retained by the County Council.

As with other Public Health budgets, the budget for Glossop was required to find a 15% reduction (£252,600) for 2014/15 and this would be found from the resource covered in the second reason explained above.

Agenda Item (7c) – Public Health Resource Fund – Housing Related Support Services - The decision to reduce the phase one cut to housing related support services is welcome, but could the Cabinet Member confirm what the plans for phase two are and would cuts to fall recovery services in particular still take place?

Councillor C Neill responded that a decision had not been made to reduce the phase one cuts. Councillor Neill would be working with officers on how best we use the money that had been secured. The plans for phase two were a period of engagement with providers followed by formal public consultation. It was likely that cuts to fall recovery services would take place unless additional Government money was secured.

Agenda Item (7h) - Children and Younger Adults Inspection of Services for Children in Need of Help and Protection, Looked After and Care Leavers - Does the Cabinet Member agree with the statement in the OFSTED report that "Leaders and managers have been successful in improving services for children over a sustained period of time."?

Councillor K Gillott responded that it was pleasing that good news was recognised and that all parties want to be part of it. The key question was what contribution Members made to any improvement and The County Council was now a Member-led rather than officer-driven Authority. At the time of the Inspection, the new administration had only been in office for around six months. However, during that time, the Council had made a number of changes including increasing the profile of the Corporate Parenting Committee

and attendance at its meetings by Members was now expected and the Leader of the Council was also now a member. In addition, the Chief Executive now played a key role in child protection. Previously, the Council only had one Care Leaver apprentice, now it had five. Improvement and Scrutiny now plays an important role in child protection and all Cabinet Members and Deputy Cabinet Members visit children's homes. The revised role and contribution of Elected Members, in particular their high aspirations for young people, their presence within frontline services and the clear lines of accountability and responsibility, was recognised in the report.

80/14 **MINUTES** **RESOLVED** that the non-exempt minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held on 11 February 2014 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

81/14 **CABINET MEMBER MEETINGS - MINUTES** **RESOLVED** to receive the non-exempt minutes of Cabinet Member meetings as follows;

- (a) Adult Social Care – 4 February 2014
- (b) Children and Young People – 4 February 2014
- (c) Health and Communities – 11 February 2014
- (d) Jobs, Economy & Transport – 11 February 2014
- (e) Strategic Policy & Budget – 11 February 2014
- (f) Council Services – 13 February 2014.

82/14 **CARRY FORWARD OF BUDGET TO ESTABLISH A “YEAR OUT ARCHAEOLOGY UNDER-GRADUATE PLACEMENT”** (Jobs, Economy and Transport) The Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Environment sought approval to carry forward a balance of funding of £43,301 relating for the Historic Environment Record Assistant Officer post to an ear-marked reserve in order to enable the appointment of a year-out archaeology under-graduate placement to undertake Historic Environment Record enhancement work.

RESOLVED to (1) transfer funding of £43,301 currently held on the Historic Environment Record revenue cost centre, to an ear-marked reserve to fund a year-out under-graduate placement for a period of two years on the terms detailed in the report; and

(2) contact universities with established archaeology under-graduate courses to see if they would be interested in promoting a year-out archaeology under-graduate placement position with their students.

83/14 **MANAGING THE TRANSITION OF COMMISSIONED PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES IN GLOSSOPDALE FROM TAMESIDE TO DERBYSHIRE** (Health and Communities) The Director of Public Health reported that from 1 April 2013, responsibility for the commissioning and

provision of Public Health services for the population of Glossopdale had transferred from Tameside and Glossop Primary Care Trust to the County Council. To ensure a smooth transition and sufficient time to re-procure services, Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council had agreed to continue commissioning Public Health services for Glossopdale for an additional year to the end of March 2014.

Re-procurement of Public Health services for Glossop from April 2014 was being incorporated into the re-procurement of Public Health services across Derbyshire, as detailed in the Public Health report approved by Cabinet on 30 July 2013. Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council had agreed to work with the County Council to ensure that the residents of Glossop continued to receive Public Health services during the transition period. The services and timescales for their re-procurement for 2014/15 included health improvement services, children's services, older peoples services, sexual health services, substance misuse services and locally enhanced services, further details of which were presented in the report.

A small working group with representatives from Public Health and Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council had been established to ensure that there was strong liaison on the transition programme. Elected Members from the County Council and High Peak Borough Council for the Glossop area were being kept informed of the process.

RESOLVED to (1) note the process of transition for the commissioning of Public Health services for Glossop from Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council to the County Council during 2014/15; and

(2) approve the commissioning of Public Health services for Glossop by Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council on behalf of the County Council for 2014/15 as detailed in the report.

84/14 PUBLIC HEALTH RESOURCE FUND – HOUSING RELATED SUPPORT SERVICES (Health and Communities) The Director of Public Health reported that Cabinet had created a Public Health Resource Fund to support preventative programmes across the Council in the sum of £1m for 2013/14 and £2m recurrently in 2014/15 and 2015/16. To date, £675,000 had been allocated to enable the Council to continue in 2014/15 supporting activity undertaken by voluntary organisations which were currently funded from the Adult Care budget. Work was underway across the Council to identify further priorities for consideration.

At the Council meeting on 5 February 2014, the Revenue Budget for 2014/15 was approved including budget reductions in service areas. Council also agreed to direct £450,000 additional income not identified in the budget report to reduce the proposed cut to Housing Related Support Services.

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These services helped vulnerable people to set up and maintain a home where they could live safely and well with services including helping people managing finances, paying bills, better managing their health, keeping safe and developing links with the community.

The total cut proposed for Housing Related Support Services was £962,000 in 2014 and the contribution of £450,000 approved by Council reduced the proposed budget cut to £512,000. Given the high priority attached to this funding, it would be appropriate to meet the shortfall from the Public Health Resource Fund to allow time to formulate priorities for 2015/16.

RESOLVED to award the sum of £512,000 from the Public Health Resource Fund towards Housing Related Support Services in 2014/15.

85/14 SCHOOLS BROADBAND (Children and Young People) The Strategic Director – Children and Younger Adults reported on the current position in respect of the East Midlands Public Services Network Infrastructure Co (ICo) 5 Year Business Plans for 2014/19 and also on arrangements for future approvals of the 5 Year Plans.

RESOLVED to (1) approve the EMPSN Infrastructure Co 5 Year Business Plans for 2014/19 and;

(2) delegate authority to the Strategic Director – Children and Younger Adults in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People for approving the EMPSN 5 Year Business Plans.

86/14 CAPITAL PROJECT - ANTHONY GELL SCHOOL, WIRKSWORTH TO IMPROVE OUTDOOR SPORTS FACILITIES (Children and Young People) The Strategic Director – Children and Younger Adults sought approval to a self-funded project at Anthony Gell School for a multi-use sports court, car park and tennis courts along with the resurfacing of an existing artificial grass pitch in the total sum of £435,820.

RESOLVED to approve the project for sports facilities at Anthony Gell School as detailed in the report and that the project be added to the Authority's Capital Programme.

87/14 GROWTH AND PROSPERITY CONCORDAT WITH HIGH PEAK BOROUGH COUNCIL AND DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (Council Services) The Chief Executive reported on a proposed concordat between High Peak Borough Council and the County Council setting out the areas of co-operation to drive forward both Council's ambition for growth, prosperity and social investment.

High Peak Borough Council had recently agreed a Growth Strategy and made a commitment to participate in the Derby and Derbyshire Joint Committee for Economic Prosperity. The Borough Council had approached the County Council with a view to developing a concordat between the two Authorities to complement these initiatives by proposing an agreed set of actions which would accelerate the delivery of the Strategy. It was intended that this could be a pilot for how the County Council engaged with other district and borough councils to achieve similar joint aims and objectives. The achievement of sustainable economic growth was already a major priority for the County Council. A copy of the proposed concordat was attached at Appendix A to the report.

RESOLVED to (1) approve the adoption of the concordat and the implementation of the governance and delivery arrangements as set out in the agreement; and

(2) receive an annual report reviewing progress of the concordat.

88/14 CAPITAL PROJECT AT ALDERCAR COMMUNITY SCHOOL
(Children and Young People) The Strategic Director – Children and Younger Adults sought approval for additional funding for the first phase of a school replacement project at Aldercar Community School.

In 2013/14, £6.675m had been allocated to allow a previously agreed first phase replacement scheme for the Vic Hallam Block. Details of the existing scheme and the funding arrangements totalling £7m were presented in the report. Details were also presented in respect of the new scheme which aimed to remove the majority of the Vic Hallam Block in the first phase and provide 2750 square metres of new accommodation at a total budget of £7.4m. It was proposed that the additional £400,000 required for the project be allocated from the 2013/14 Capital Maintenance Contingency.

RESOLVED to allocate £400,000 to the replacement project at Aldercar Community School from the Capital Maintenance Contingency 2013/14.

89/14 CHILDREN AND YOUNGER ADULTS INSPECTION OF SERVICES FOR CHILDREN IN NEED OF HELP AND PROTECTION, LOOKED AFTER AND CARE LEAVERS (Children and Young People) The Strategic Director – Children and Younger Adults updated Cabinet regarding the recent Ofsted inspection of services for children in need of help and protection, looked after and care leavers.

The result of the inspection was that the Department was judged to be good across all of the five judgement areas. A copy of the official report published on 11 February was attached as an Appendix to the report. The report highlighted a number of strengths including:

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- The Local Authority had very high expectations; because of this outcomes for children and young people were improving;
- Children and families who were assessed as needing early help and support received good services from locally based Multi-Agency Teams;
- Social Workers assessed children's needs for help and protection well. Leaders and Managers had been successful in improving services for children over a sustained period of time;
- The Council and partner agencies had ensured that they had provided funding for the help and protection of children. This had helped agencies work together to respond to children in need of support and protection;
- Senior Managers wanted the best for children who lived in Derbyshire;
- The Local Authority was highly committed to ensuring services were responsive and staff were well trained.

There were a small number of areas identified for development which were already in the process of being acted upon when the inspection commenced and these included;

- Consistent recording of management decisions and oversight of all children's files;
- Consistent approach to the recording of strategy meetings;
- Gathering feedback from children and families who had experience of child protection services to inform the development of services;
- Improvement of the pathway plans for young people aged 16 and 17.

RESOLVED to note the report.

90/14 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. Confirmation of the exempt minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held on 11 February 2014.
2. Receipt of the exempt minutes of Cabinet Member meetings as follows;
 - (a) Children and Young People – 4 February 2014
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3. Consideration of the joint report of the Director of Finance and the Director of Transformation Services on the Replacement of the Pension Administration Solution (Council Services) (contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person, including the Authority holding that information).
4. Consideration of the report of the Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Environment on the Award of Passenger Transport Contracts (PTU150 and PTU151) (Jobs, Economy and Transport) (contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person, including the Authority holding that information).
5. Consideration of the report of the Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Environment on Ilkeston Rail Station – Construction Phase Resources (Jobs, Economy and Transport) (contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person, including the Authority holding that information).
6. Consideration of the joint report of the Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Environment and the Strategic Director Adult Care on a Minor Variation to Establishment of Post – Bolsover Woodland Enterprise (Jobs, Economy and Transport) (contains information relating to any individual and information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person, including the Authority holding that information).
7. Consideration of the report of the Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Environment on the Award of School Bus Contracts (PUT149) (Children and Young People) (contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person, including the Authority holding that information).