

Notice of Draft Decisions of Cabinet Thursday, 5 December 2024

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors Claire Bloomer and Juliet Layton

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest from Members.

There were no declarations of interest from Officers.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the Cabinet meeting on 7 November 2024 were considered.

There were no comments on the minutes.

The acceptance of the minutes were proposed by Councillor Joe Harris and seconded by Councillor Evemy.

Voting Record

4 For, 0 Against, 1 Abstention

4. Leader's Announcements

There were no announcements from the Chair.

The Leader made the following announcements:

 Councillor Tristan Wilkinson was welcomed as the new Cabinet Member for the Economy and Environment. It was highlighted how the reshuffle of the Cabinet will help the Council deliver the Council's five priorities.



5. Public Questions

There were no public questions.

6. Member Questions

There were no member questions.

7. Issue(s) Arising from Overview and Scrutiny and/or Audit and Governance

There no recommendations from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and no issues arising from the Audit and Governance Committee.

8. Low Income Families Tracker (LIFT)

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Joe Harris on behalf of Councillor Claire Bloomer introduced the report.

Councillor Paul Hodgkinson seconded the report.

There were various comments on the reports contents.

That Cabinet resolves to:

- 1. NOTED the report; and
- 2. NOTED the external funding for the project and APPROVED to underwrite the cost of the LIFT Licences and any associated costs estimated at £33,000.

5 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstentions.

9. Service Performance Report 2024-25 Quarter Two

The Leader invited the Chief Executive Officer to introduce the report.

There were comments around the contents of the report.



RESOLVED: Cabinet NOTED the reports contents.

10. Financial Performance Report 2024-25 Quarter Two

The Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance and Transformation, Councillor Evemy introduced the report.

The recommendations were proposed by Councillor Evemy and Councillor Joe Harris seconded them.

RESOLVED: That Cabinet

- 1. NOTED the financial position set out in this report.
- 2. APPROVED the recommendation in paragraph 9.3: Continue to review in-year opportunities with Publica and Ubico to mitigate the forecast financial position.
- 3. APPROVED the recommendation in paragraph 9.5: Implement an Authority to Fill process with authorisation for any recruitment activity.
- 4. APPROVED the recommendation in paragraph 9.6: Deputy Chief Executive and Section 151 Officer to provide guidance to all service leads on criteria under which external agency support can be commissioned (subject to business case assessment).
- 5. APPROVED the recommendation in paragraph 9.7: accelerate development of refreshed Savings & Transformation plan to ensure adequate cost reductions are identified, scoped, and planned over the MTFS period.
- 6. APPROVED the recommendation in paragraph 9.8: review of fees and charges as part of the 2025/26 budget setting process from a cost recovery position.
- 7. APPROVED the recommendation in paragraph 9.9: Publica Review Phase 2 the design-led principle Consideration of cost must ensure that the additional cost of bring services back to the Council are quantified with mitigating actions taken to reduce the potential impact on the MTFS.
- 8. APPROVED the revised Capital Programme to include £0.208m of expenditure in relation to Cirencester Leisure Centre decarbonisation work including the installation of solar PV and triple glazing funded through the Government's Swimming Pool Support Fund.

Voting Record



5 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstention

11. Schedule of Decisions taken by the Leader of the Council and/or Individual Cabinet Members

Cabinet NOTED the Schedule of Decisions.

12. Matters exempt from publication

The Leader proposed the following motion, and this was seconded by the Deputy Leader.

That the press and the public from the meeting during consideration of any of the items on the exempt from publication part of the agenda, it will be necessary for Cabinet to pass a resolution in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 4(2)(b) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 on the grounds that their presence could involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, with the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighing the public interest in disclosing the information.

Voting Record

5 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstention

13. Adoption of asset plan for Council owned properties in Cirencester and funding for feasibility study.

To consider the Asset Plan for Council owned buildings in Cirencester and agree funding to support the development of proposals for regeneration of sites, in line with this Asset Plan and the related Cirencester Masterplan.

The Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance and Transformation introduced the report.

Councillor Mike Evemy proposed and Councillor Joe Harris seconded



RESOLVED That Cabinet:

- 1) AGREED to adopt the Asset Plan attached at Annex B.
- 2) AGREED that proposals should now be developed for the regeneration of the sites set out in this report.
- 3) AGREED to allocate funding of up to £70,000 from Reserves for the initial feasibility study for these sites.

Voting Record

5 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstention

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