

Minutes of: CABINET

Date of Meeting: 14 November 2018

Present: Councillor (in the Chair)
Councillors R Shori, S Briggs, J Kelly, E O'Brien, A Quinn and
T Tariq

**Also in
attendance:**

Public Attendance: No members of the public were present at the meeting.

Apologies for Absence: Councillor A Simpson

CA.208 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

CA.209 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

**CA.210 DEMOLITION OF FORMER GM POLICE HEADQUARTERS, IRWELL ST, BURY
(PART A REPORT)**

The Cabinet Member for Housing and Finance provided members with an update in respect of the demolition of the former GM police headquarters. The report advises on the current position regarding the demolition and remediation of the development site of the former GMP Headquarters, Irwell Street, Bury and contains recommendations for completing the works.

Responding to questions from Members of the Public present at the meeting, the Executive Director for Business, Growth and Infrastructure reported that the site will be remediated to enable re-development. A residents meeting has been arranged for week commencing 19th November to discuss their concerns. The Executive Director reported that the demolition will result in the site being remediated to the natural gradient and enclosed with a fence. All debris will be removed.

Delegated decision:

Cabinet agreed to note the current position and approve the entering into a contract for the remaining works, with the associated expenditure as detailed within the exempt report, subject to the completion of the tender evaluation and a "value engineering" exercise.

Delegated approval is also sought to authorise officers to negotiate a final tender amount with the lowest tenderer.

Reason for the decision:

The recommended option will leave the site in a suitable condition to enable future redevelopment and therefore supports the Council's wider ambitions for growth and regeneration.

Other options considered and rejected:

Option 2.

Approve the implementation of an additional procurement exercise to market test through an open tender.

Option 3.

Approve the leaving of the site in its current state and seek an appropriate developer to remediate and further develop the site.

CA.211 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A period of thirty minutes was allocated for any members of the public present at the meeting to ask questions about the work or performance of the Council or Council services.

No further questions were received.

CA.212 MINUTES

That the minutes of the meeting held on 16th October 2018 be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

CA.213 CORPORATE FINANCIAL MONITORING REPORT APRIL 2018 TO SEPTEMBER 2018

The Cabinet Member for Finance and Housing submitted a report setting out details of the Council's financial position for the period April 2018 to September 2018 and projects the estimated outturn at the end of 2018-19. The report also includes Prudential Indicators in accordance with the CIPFA's Prudential Code.

Delegated decisions:

Members note the financial position of the Council as at 30 September 2018 and approve the recommendations from the recent LGA Finance Review regarding line management accountability to the S151 Officer as detailed in paragraph 2.4.

Reason for the decision:

The report has been prepared in accordance with all relevant Codes of Practice.

CA.214 MID -YEAR TREASURY MANAGEMENT REPORT

The Cabinet Member for Finance and Housing submitted the mid-year treasury management report. The report has been prepared in compliance with CIPFA's Code of Practice on Treasury Management and covers the following:

- An economic update for the 2018/19 financial year to 30 September 2018;
- A review of the Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy;
- The Council's capital expenditure, as set out in the Capital Strategy, and prudential indicators;
- A review of the Council's investment portfolio for 2018/19

- A review of the Council's borrowing strategy for 2018/19
- A review of any debt rescheduling undertaken during 2018/19
- A review of compliance with Treasury and Prudential Limits for 2018/19

Delegated decision:

That in accordance with CIPFA's Code of Practice on Treasury Management, the report be noted and forwarded for consideration at the next meeting of full Council scheduled to take place on 28th November 2018.

Reason for the decision:

Treasury Management is an integral part of the Council's financial framework and it is essential that the correct strategy is adopted in order to ensure that best value is obtained from the Council's resources and that assets are safeguarded

CA.215 RISK MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2017-18

The Cabinet Member for Finance and Housing presented to members the Risk Management Annual Report. The report provides Members with details of risk management activity that has taken place over the past 12 months. It outlines risk management policies and practices now in place and the key issues that will be addressed during the coming financial year.

Delegated decision:

That support be given for the Council's approach to Risk Management; and the progress made throughout 2017/18 and actions planned for 2018/19 be noted.

Reason for the decision:

Risk management is an integral part of the Council's approach to Corporate Governance and service and financial planning and it is essential that robust risk management practices are put in place to safeguard the Council's assets and its reputation.

CA.216 COMMUNITY SAFETY PLAN

The Cabinet Member for Communities submitted the Community Safety Plan. The Plan identifies five key priorities:

- Protect & Support Vulnerable People
- Putting victims first
- Reduce re-offending
- Build stable, cohesive communities
- Develop a partnership approach to community safety

Each of these priorities directly links to the GM Police & Crime Plan whilst also addressing local needs. The Plan will be delivered via the Community Safety Partnership and six sub-groups.

Delegated decision:

Cabinet agreed to note the contents of the Plan and its priorities and recommend to Council that the Plan and its priorities be approved for inclusion in the Council's Policy Framework.

Reason for the decision:

The development of a Community Safety Plan is a statutory responsibility of the Local Authority

Other options considered and rejected:

Cabinet to suggest amendments to the Plan and recommend the amended Plan to Council for inclusion in the Policy Framework.

To reject the Plan.

CA.217 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ABUSE STRATEGY

The Cabinet Member for Communities submitted for consideration the Domestic violence and abuse strategy. The strategy identifies six key priorities:

- Improve Strategic Co-ordination
- Reduce re-offending
- Reduce re-victimisation
- Remove inequalities and gaps in provision
- Enhance workforce development
- Further develop primary prevention approaches

The resulting actions will be delivered through the Domestic Abuse Strategic Group and the Domestic Abuse Forum.

Delegated decision:

Cabinet agreed to approve the Domestic Violence and Abuse Strategy.

Reason for the decision:

Domestic Abuse is rising in Bury and remains a key priority for Police colleagues but it is also becoming more complex, with more victims reporting additional needs.

Other options considered and rejected:

To approve the attached Strategy with amendments

To reject the Strategy

CA.218 FOR INFORMATION - MINUTES OF ASSOCIATION OF GREATER MANCHESTER AUTHORITIES / GREATER MANCHESTER COMBINED AUTHORITY

CA.219 URGENT BUSINESS

CA.220 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Delegated decision:

That in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business as it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as detailed in the conditions of category 3.

CA.221 DEMOLITION OF FORMER GM POLICE HEADQUARTERS, IRWELL ST, BURY (PART B REPORT)

The Cabinet Member for Housing and Finance advised the Cabinet on the tenders received for the final site remediation phase.

Cabinet considered the financial details set out within the report.

Delegated decision:

That Cabinet agrees that Council Officers be authorised to negotiate a final tender amount with the lowest tenderer to demolish and remediate the site.

Reason for the decision:

The recommended option will leave the site in a suitable condition to support future redevelopment and therefore supports the Council's wider ambitions for growth and regeneration.

**COUNCILLOR
Chair**

(Note: The meeting started at Time Not Specified and ended at Time Not Specified)