

CABINET

At a meeting of Cabinet held on
23 June 2021

(Present) **Councillor Baines (Chair)**
Councillors Bell, Bond, Bowden, Burns, Charlton,
Gomez-Aspron MBE, Groucutt, McCauley and
Quinn

(Also Present) **Councillors T Long and Uddin**

8 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence received.

9 MINUTES

* **Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 26
May 2021 be approved and signed.**

10 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS

No declarations of interest from Members were made.

11 CABINET RESPONSE TO PREVENT STRATEGY SPOTLIGHT REVIEW

A report was submitted which presented a proposed Action Plan to the recommendations made by the Place Services Scrutiny Committee following completion of a recent Spotlight Review into the Prevent Strategy in St Helens. Councillor Uddin was in attendance to receive the report.

* **Resolved that:**

- (1) the Action Plan be approved; and**
- (2) the response to the recommendations be submitted to the
Place Services Scrutiny Committee on 6 July 2021.**

Councillor Uddin here left the meeting.

12 CABINET RESPONSE TO IMPROVING WORK OPPORTUNITIES FOR CARE EXPERIENCED YOUNG PEOPLE REVIEW

A report was submitted which presented a proposed Action Plan to the recommendations made by the Children and Young People Services Scrutiny Committee task group following a review of improving work opportunities for care experienced young people. Councillor T Long was in attendance to receive the report.

* **Resolved that:**

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- (1) the Action Plan be approved; and
- (2) the response to the recommendations be submitted to the Children and Young People Services Scrutiny Committee on 12 July 2021.

Councillor T Long here left the meeting.

13 REVENUE AND CAPITAL OUTTURN REPORT 2020/21

A report was submitted which detailed the outturn position in relation to the revenue and capital budget for 2020/21 (subject to audit) and summarised the reserves and balances position.

The report also included details of the 2020/21 use of COVID-19 Emergency Grant Funding and Sales, Fees and Charges Compensation Funding and included the Treasury Management Outturn Report for 2020/21.

* **Resolved that:**

- (1) the Revenue Outturn position (subject to audit) for 2020/21 as detailed in Section 2 be noted;
- (2) the proposed carry forward of budget provision as outlined in Section 2.6 be approved;
- (3) the carry forward of budget provision for continuing earmarked reserve funded schemes, as detailed in Annex C be approved;
- (4) the use of Covid-19 Emergency Grant Funding and Sales, Fees and Charges Compensation in 2020/21, as detailed in Section 3 be noted;
- (5) the 2020/21 Capital Outturn position (subject to audit) as summarised in Section 4 be noted;
- (6) the latest reserves and balances position as outlined in Section 5 be noted; and
- (7) the Treasury Management Outturn Report 2020/21 as detailed in Annex F be noted.

14 HIGHWAYS CAPITAL AND REVENUE PROGRAMME 2021/22

A report was submitted which sought approval to accept 2021/22 grant funding from the Combined Authority to facilitate the maintenance and improvement of the St Helens Borough highway infrastructure that included the delivery of walking and cycling measures. The report also identified the proposed list of key schemes that would be delivered via this funding.

The Cabinet was informed that the decision was a Key Decision and details had been published in accordance with the provisions within the Constitution.

* **Resolved that:**

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- (1) the Transport Single Investment Capital Pot Allocation of £3.231m, from the Liverpool City Region Combined Authority. Comprising £2.591m for Highway Maintenance and £0.640m for Integrated Transport be accepted;**
- (2) the Transport single Investment Pot Key Route Network allocation of £0.393m from the Liverpool City Region Combined Authority be accepted;**
- (3) the indicative programme of works referenced Paragraph 4.16 in tables 2-6 be noted and endorsed;**
- (4) the development of a Highways Asset Management strategy over the next 12 months and the commissioning of the required condition surveys to inform the strategy be approved;**
- (5) funding of £1.35m (for schemes referenced in table 5), previously agreed in principle at Cabinet on 24 February 2021, as part the strategic capital investment schemes in the Medium-term Financial Strategy 2021-2024 be approved; and**
- (6) the Executive Director Place Services in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport be delegated authority to finalise the 2021/22 programme of works (Identified indicatively in tables 2-6), ensuring deliverability and affordability.**