

GWYNEDD CABINET DECISION NOTICE

Date of Cabinet Meeting: 16 January 2018

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31 January 2018

SUBJECT

Item 6: INTEGRATION AGREEMENT WITHIN THE CARE AND HEALTH FIELD REGIONALLY

DECISION

It was decided to agree to The Integration Agreement as set out in Appendix 1. This agreement provides the governance arrangements for Social Care Services to work in partnership across the region and to satisfy legislative requirements as noted in Part 9 of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act.

It was also agreed that the Cabinet Member would approve individual agreements for specific projects unless specific implications arose which made it appropriate to seek the Cabinet's opinion on them.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

For some years now, the six Local Authorities in north Wales together with Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board (the Health Board) have worked together informally, as a collective, in order to ensure improvements for the social care field regionally. This collaboration was instructed by a memorandum of understanding, but the emergence of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 has required the formalisation of these arrangements via an integration agreement.

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND ANY RELEVANT DISPENSATIONS APPROVED BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

No declarations of personal interest or relevant dispensations were received.

ANY CONSULTATIONS UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO MAKING THE DECISION

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Item 7: PROPOSED GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS FOR GWYNEDD COUNCIL'S LEISURE COMPANY

DECISION

Resolved to:

- Delegate authority to the Head of Economy and Community Department, in consultation with the Head of Legal Services, to prepare company limited by guarantee constitutional documents incorporating the main issues and principles recommended in the report.
 - To authorise the Head of Economy and Community Department, in consultation with the Head of Legal Services, to register the Company at Companies House in accordance with the Leisure Project requirements and timetable and take any necessary steps to achieve this.
 - To confirm that the process of appointing a Board of Directors and Managing Director is to begin.
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REASONS FOR THE DECISION

On the 3 and 5 October, the Cabinet and the Full Council approved the establishment of a Company, limited by guarantee, managed by the Council, to provide leisure facilities in Gwynedd. The proposed terms were submitted by the Economy and Community Scrutiny Committee on 13 December and their observations and recommendations have been considered within the report. The Cabinet's approval was required in order to set-up the Company's legal documents and start the process of appointing Directors.

Further details about the legal relationship will be submitted later on during the Spring in 2018.

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Item 8: DEVELOPING A NEW ASSET STRATEGY FOR THE PERIOD 2019/20 TO 2028/29

DECISION

To approve the procedure for establishing a new asset strategy for the period 2019/20 until 2028/29 set out in clauses 18 to 21 of the report.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

In 2009, following a detailed assessment of the Council's capital spending requirements, and in recognising the fact that the Council's resources would not allow for all capital expenditure requirements to be met, a series of workshops were held with Council members to establish capital priorities for the coming 10 years. As a result, an Asset Plan was established and it was adopted by the Council in October 2009.

2018/19 would be the final year of the current plan and the new Council would be expected to establish a new strategy for the 2018/19 - 27/28.

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Item 9: REVENUE BUDGET 2017/18 - THIRD QUARTER REVIEW (DECEMBER 2017)

DECISION

To accept the report on the third quarter review of the Revenue Budget (situation on 31 December 2017) and consider the latest situation of each department/service's budget, and ask the Cabinet Members and the relevant heads of department to take appropriate steps on matters under their leadership/management.

It was resolved that (£270k) from the underspend on Council Tax Reduction, (12k) one-off underspend on bids and (803k) from grants received and favourable conditions on other Council budgets, would have been collected and transfer it to the Financial Strategy Reserve to assist with unavoidable one-off pressures on the Council's budgets, with an element of it returned to compensate for the possible impact of school taxis overspend at year end.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

It is the Cabinet's responsibility to take action, as necessary, in order to secure appropriate control over the Council's budgets (e.g. approval of significant virements or supplementary budgets).

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Item 10: CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2017/18 - THIRD QUARTER REVIEW (DECEMBER 2017)

DECISION

To accept the report on the third quarter review (December 2017 position) of the capital programme, and approve the revised financing as shown in part 4 of the report, that is:

- (£21,000) decrease in the use of the capital reserve
- £567,000 increase in the use of grants and contributions
- £27,000 increase in the use of capital receipts
- £71,000 increase in the use of revenue contributions
- £132,000 increase in the use of renewal funds and others

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

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SUBJECT

Item 11: PERFORMANCE REPORT OF THE CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING, CULTURE AND LEISURE

DECISION

To accept and note the information in the report.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

In order to ensure effective and transparent performance management, Cabinet Members are required to report periodically on the performance of the field for which they are responsible to the Cabinet.

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Item 12: PERFORMANCE REPORT OF THE CABINET MEMBER FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

DECISION

To accept and note the information in the report.

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Item 13: PERFORMANCE REPORT OF THE CABINET MEMBER FOR ADULTS, HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

DECISION

To accept and note the information in the report.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

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Item 14: SAVINGS OVERVIEW: PROGRESS REPORT ON REALISING SAVING SCHEMES

DECISION

To note the encouraging progress towards realising the 2015/16 - 2017/18 savings schemes.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

In the Council's Financial Strategy, the Council had planned £7,414,751 of savings for the year 2017/18. It is the responsibility of the relevant members of the Cabinet to realise the individual schemes, and the Cabinet Member for Finance keeps an overview of the whole picture in order to identify any problems with the procedure, or with any specific department. It was noted that there had been "slippages" in three Departments; however, on the whole satisfactory progress was made in 2017/18.

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