

THE CABINET TUESDAY, 7 JUNE 2016

Present-

Councillors: Dyfrig L. Siencyn (Chair), Peredur Jenkins, John Wynn Jones, Dafydd Meurig, W. Gareth Roberts, Mair Rowlands, Gareth Thomas and Ioan Thomas

Also present: Dilwyn Williams (Chief Executive), Morwena Edwards (Corporate Director), Dafydd L. Edwards (Head of Finance), Iwan G. Evans (Head of Legal Service), Gwyn Morris Jones (Head of Highways and Municipal), Hawis Jones (Strategic Planning and Performance Manager), Steffan Jones (Senior Waste and Commissioning Manager), William E Jones (Senior Finance Manager) and Janet Roberts (Delivering and Supporting Change Service Senior Manager)

1. APOLOGIES

Cabinet Members and Officers were welcomed to the meeting.

Apologies were received from Cllr Dyfed Edwards, Cllr Mandy Williams-Davies and Iwan Trefor Jones.

2. DECLARATION OF PERSONAL INTEREST

There were no declarations of personal interest.

3. URGENT ITEMS

There were no urgent items.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

There were no matters arising from Scrutiny Committees

5. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 3RD OF MAY 2016

The Chairman signed the minutes of the meeting held on the 3rd of May 2016.

6. FINAL ACCOUNTS 2015/16 - REVENUE OUTTURN

The report was submitted by Cllr. Peredur Jenkins.

DECISION

1. To accept and note the Council departments' final financial situation for 2015/16 and approve the position in order to enable the Finance Department to move forward and produce, endorse and publish the statutory financial statements by 30 June and to be submitted to be scrutinised by the Audit Committee on 14 July.

2. To approve the amounts to be carried forward (the "Revised Over/ (Under) Spend" column of the summary in Appendix 1), namely -

DEPARTMENT	£'000
Adults, Health and Well-being	(6)
Children and Families	(8)
Education	(48)
Economy and Community	5
Highways and Municipal	(6)
Regulatory	(90)
Gwynedd Consultancy	34
Corporate Management Team & Legal	(20)
Finance	(70)
Corporate Support	(95)
Corporate Budgets	0

3. To approve the following recommendations and financial transfers (as outlined in Appendix 2 of the report) -

- In accordance with the request of the Head of Adults Department, transfer budgets within the Adults, Health and Well-being Department as listed in Appendix 2, page 18 (net effect of "£0").
- Allocate £150k of the gross underspend position of the Regulatory Department for 2015/16 to a fund to develop an arrangement for the inspection and assessment of the condition of bridges, culverts and some retaining walls.
- Transfer £150k of the Corporate Budgets underspend for 2015/16 to the North Wales Residual Waste Partnership reserve fund for the 2016/17 requirements, with the remainder required in 2017/18 being recognised whilst considering the financial strategy for that year.
- Transfer £769k of the Corporate Budgets underspend for 2015/16 towards financing the 2016/17 financial strategy.
- Use £292k of the Corporate Budgets underspend for 2015/16 towards the 2015/16 financial strategy.

4. To approve the virements from the specific reserves as outlined in Appendix 3 (together with provisions released following the review).

5. To note that this will make use of (£833k) of the Council's balances, rather than the original (£2.019m) in order to complete the package to finance the 2015/16 financial strategy.

7. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2015/16 - 2017/18

The report was submitted by Cllr. Peredur Jenkins.

DECISION

To accept the report on the end of year review (31 March 2016 position) of the capital programme, and approve the revised financing as shown in part 4 of the report, that is:

- a decrease of £3,068,000 in the use of unsupported borrowing
- an increase of £2,023,000 in the use of grants and contributions
- a decrease of £22,000 in the use of capital receipts
- an increase of £80,000 in the use of revenue contributions
- an increase of £546,000 in the use of renewal reserves

8. PROVISION OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCES IN GWYNEDD

The report was submitted by Cllr. John Wynn Jones.

The report was seconded by Cllr. W Gareth Roberts.

DECISION

In accordance with the recommendation of the Communities Scrutiny Committee, to amend the decision made to cut £244,000 from the service by first seeking to establish partnerships with local communities in order to avoid closing the facilities whilst achieving the same amount of savings.

9. WATER SUPPLY PIPE RENEWAL PROGRAMME FOR CCG HOUSING ESTATES

The report was submitted by Cllr. John Wynn Jones.

The report was seconded by Cllr. Ioan Thomas.

DECISION

To authorise the Head of Highways and Municipal Department, in consultation with the Heads of Finance Department and Legal Services, to agree terms and arrangements for working with Cartrefi Cymunedol Gwynedd (CCG) to implement a Water Supply Pipe Renewal Programme for CCG Housing Estates as outlined in the report submitted to the meeting.

To finance the cost of up to £300k per annum required for this 10-year Management and Renewal Programme by using transfers from the fund of £1.7m of previous Housing Revenue Account balances to this end for the initial years, and to finance it by its inclusion on the Council's new Assets Strategy for subsequent years.

10. REVIEW OF THE GARDEN WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE

The report was submitted by Cllr. John Wynn Jones.

The report was seconded by Cllr. W Gareth Roberts.

DECISION

To adopt an arrangement for charging residents a fee for the collection of garden waste from 1 January 2017.

To set a fee of £33 per annum for the collection of garden waste by means of a 240 litre size bin (or 5 biodegradable sacks) and £28 per annum for every additional bin or smaller (140 litre) size bin.

11. NORTH WALES RESIDUAL WASTE TREATMENT PROJECT

The report was submitted by Cllr. John Wynn Jones.

The report was seconded by Cllr. Gareth Thomas.

DECISION

To approve the financing of the next steps of the Project by transferring £150k of the Corporate Budget underspend for 2015/16 to the relevant reserve fund for the 2016/17 requirements, with the remainder required in 2017/18 being recognised whilst considering the financial strategy for that year.

12. THE PUBLIC SERVICES BOARD WELL-BEING ASSESSMENT

The report was submitted by Cllr. Dafydd Meurig on behalf of Cllr. Dyfed Edwards.

The report was seconded by Cllr. John Wynn Jones.

DECISION

Recommend the 8-area option to create the draft well-being assessment to be considered by the Public Services Board at its meeting on 17 June:

- Bala
- Bangor
- Caernarfon
- Dolgellau
- Ffestiniog
- Llŷn
- Porthmadog
- Tywyn

13. GWYNEDD COUNCIL PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW 2015/16

The report was submitted by Cllr. W Gareth Roberts on behalf of Cllr. Dyfed Edwards.

The report was seconded by Cllr. Mair Rowlands.

DECISION

To accept and note the information in the report submitted to the meeting.

The meeting commenced at 1.00 pm and concluded at 3.20 pm

CHAIRMAN