

## APPENDIX 1

### Extract of Executive Board Minutes Relevant to the Corporate Policy and Performance Board

#### EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING HELD ON 20<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2018

##### RESOURCES PORTFOLIO

##### EXB33 DIRECTORATE PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW REPORTS FOR QUARTER 1 2018 - 19

The Board considered a report of the Strategic Director, Enterprise, Community and Resources, on progress against key milestones/objectives and performance targets for the first quarter of 2018/19.

The Board was advised that the Directorate Performance Overview Report provided a strategic summary of key issues arising from performance in the relevant quarter for each Directorate, being aligned to Council priorities or functional areas. The Board noted that such information was key to the Council's management arrangements, with the Board having a key role in monitoring performance and strengthening accountability. Performance management would continue to be important in the demonstration of value for money and outward accountability.

RESOLVED: That the report and progress and performance information be noted.

##### EXB34 2018/19 QUARTER 1 SPENDING

The Board considered a report of the Operational Director, Finance, which summarised the overall revenue and capital spending position as at 30 June 2018.

In overall terms revenue expenditure was £1.109m above the budget profile. It was reported that based on current spend patterns, projections showed that Council would have a year-end outturn overspend position of approximately £5.140m, if no corrective action were taken. There were a number departments where net spend for the quarter exceeded the budget profile. The main budget pressure continued to be within the Children and Families Department, despite an additional budget growth of £3m being allocated to the department at the start of the current

financial year.

The Capital Programme had been revised to reflect a number of changes in spending profiles and funding, as schemes had developed; a list of those schemes that had been revised were set out in the report. Capital spending at 30 June 2018 totalled £3.8m which was 98% of the planned spending at this stage. It was noted that this represented 9.9% of the total Capital Programme of £38.2m.

The Council's balance sheet was monitored regularly in accordance with the Reserves and Balances Strategy, which formed part of the Medium Term Financial Strategy. The key reserves and balances had been reviewed and were considered prudent and appropriate at this stage in the financial year and within the current financial climate.

RESOLVED: That

- 1) all spending continues to be limited to the absolutely essential;
- 2) Strategic Directors take appropriate action to contain overall spending within their total operational budget by year-end; and
- 3) Council be recommended to approve the revised Capital Programme, as set out in Appendix 2.

Operational  
Director - Finance

EXB39 SCHEDULE 12A OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

The Board considered:

- 1) Whether Members of the press and public should be excluded from the meeting of the Board during consideration of the following items of business in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 because it was likely that, in view of the nature of the business to be considered, exempt information would be disclosed, being information defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraphs 3 and 5 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972; and
- 2) Whether the disclosure of information was in the

public interest, whether any relevant exemptions were applicable and whether, when applying the public interest test and exemptions, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed that in disclosing the information.

RESOLVED: That as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed that in disclosing the information, members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 because it was likely that, in view of the nature of the business, exempt information would be disclosed, being information defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

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EDUCATION AND SOCIAL CARE PORTFOLIO, HEALTH  
AND WELLBEING PORTFOLIO, PHYSICAL  
ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO AND RESOURCES  
PORTFOLIO**

EXB40 SOUTHERN WIDNES KEY IMPACT AREA

The Board considered a report of the Strategic Director, Enterprise, Community and Resources, on proposals for the development of the Southern Widnes Key Impact Area.

The Board was reminded that in March 2017, it had approved the Mersey Gateway Regeneration Plan *Plus*, which focused on a cohesive package of development opportunities in eight Regeneration Impact Areas. It was reported that the Southern Widnes area had become a significant 'gateway' to Widnes and the wider Borough, with increased connectivity to and from the area following the opening of the Mersey Gateway.

The report set out details of proposals to provide an attractive, high quality and sustainable mixed use gateway providing an environment that supported business growth, promoted an improved health and wellbeing offer for local residents and encouraged visitors to the Borough.

RESOLVED: That the Board approve the recommendations as tabled at the meeting.

Strategic Director  
- Enterprise,  
Community and  
Resources