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

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING HELD ON 16 September 2021

CORPORATE SERVICES PORTFOLIO

EXB24 TAXI LICENSING - POLICY UPDATES RELATING TO THE ASSESSMENT OF PREVIOUS CONDITIONS

The Board considered a report of the Strategic Director – Enterprise, Community and Resources, which requested approval of amendments to the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers Assessment of Previous Conviction Policy and the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers Condition (Driver Conditions).

It was reported that the Regulatory Committee had considered and approved the above amendments at its meeting on 30 June 2021. The reasons why these amendments were necessary were described in detail in Appendix 1 of the report.

RESOLVED: That

- 1) the amendments to the 'Previous Convictions Policy' be approved and adopted; and
- the amendment to the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Driver's conditions relating to the requirement to report matters relating to their behaviour be approved and adopted.

EXB25 DISCRETIONARY NON-DOMESTIC RATE RELIEF

The Board received a report from the Strategic Director – Enterprise, Community and Resources, which presented an application for discretionary non-domestic rate relief, under Section 47 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988, for consideration.

The report outlined details of the application from Mersey Weaver District Scouts, in respect of their premises at Unit 3, Ringway Road, Runcorn. Appended to the report was the potential annual cost to the Council of granting

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discretionary rate relief.

RESOLVED: That the request for 15% discretionary rate relief from Mersey Weaver District Scouts in respect of their premises at Unit 3, Ringway Road, Runcorn, from 1 April 2021 be approved.

Strategic Director - Enterprise. Community and Resources

2021/22 BUDGET MONITORING AS AT 30 JUNE 2021 EXB26

The Board received a report from the Operational Director – Finance, which reported the Council's overall revenue net spending position as at 30 June 2021, together with an initial forecast outturn position. The report also included the financial impact of Covid-19 with a summary of Government funding made available to the Council to date.

A summary of spending against the operational revenue budget up to 30 June 2021 was presented in Appendix 1 and Appendix 2 and these provided detailed figures for each individual Department. In overall terms the outturn forecast for the year showed that net spend would be over the approved budget by £4.661m. It was noted that this figure was based on current service demand and forecast of future costs and income levels. Appendix 3 presented the Capital Programme as at 30 June 2021.

The implications to the Council of the recently announced 1.25% increase in National Insurance contributions was discussed.

RESOLVED: That

essential items;

- 1) all spending continues to be limited to only absolutely
- 2) Strategic Directors take urgent action to identify areas where spending could be reduced or suspended for the remainder of the current financial year; and
- 3) Council be requested to approve the revisions to the Capital Programme as set out in paragraph 3.14.

Operational Director - Finance