CABINET, Monday, 12th June, 2023

PRESENT: Councillor Scullion (Chair)

Councillors: T Swift MBE, Courtney, Dacre, Fenton-Glynn, Lynn, Patient and

Wilkinson

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received.

The Chair referred to the television reports regarding flooding that had happened in the Ukraine and as a Council using links with the Ukrainian Society and the Embassy in London, wished to send greetings and solidarity from a Council that had experienced flooding.

The Chair advised that there would be a "Thank You" event for people who had hosted Ukrainians in this County.

(The meeting ended at 16.30.)

2 MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Councillor Swift declared a non-pecuniary interest in the agenda items "Review of Parking Charges" and "National Analogue and Mobile Response Service Contract" as his wife had a blue badge and a response alarm.

Councillors Fenton-Glynn and Courtney declared a non-pecuniary interest in the agenda item "Review of Parking Charges" as they lived on a permitted parking street.

3 ADMISSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED that under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the stated paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, namely:-

National Analogue to Digital Switchover/Community Alarms and Mobile Response Service Contract – Paragraph 3 – Financial or business affairs.

Local Authority Housing Fund – Paragraph 3 – Financial or business affairs.

4 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13TH MARCH 2023

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 13th March 2023, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

5 QUESTION TIME

The Leader, Councillor Scullion, invited members of the public and Councillors to ask questions of the Leader and of the other Cabinet Members. An oral response would, if possible, be provided at the meeting, but if this was not possible a written response

would be provided to the questioner within 7 working days. The full details of questions asked, and answers provided would also be published on the Council's website.

(a) A question was asked by Peter Hunt

Councillor Lynn, Cabinet Member with responsibility for Public Services and Communities responded and advised that most business operations were card only, but the Council would always work with the public. Customers could be invoiced for a Service and they could pay in cash. If the name and contact details of the resident concerned could be provided, they would be contacted to arrange this payment.

(b) A question was asked by Councillor Prashad in relation to Calderdale Retreat

Councillor Fenton-Glynn, Cabinet Member with responsibility for Adult Services and Wellbeing responded and advised that options would always be explored to keep places running in the interim, but this was not an option to the providers. Members were working to see what could be done. There was ongoing work and there was an issue as the market was precarious. He confirmed that he was happy to provide more details if required.

(c) A question was asked by Councillor Hey in relation to the Cooper Lane roundabout at Shelf

Councillor Lynn, Cabinet Member with responsibility for Public Services and Communities responded and advised that a written response would be provided.

6 TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM SCRUTINY BOARDS

Councillor Evans, Lead Member of the Buying our Care Review Group presented a written report of the Senior Scrutiny Officer on behalf of the Adults, Health and Social Care (AHSC) Scrutiny Board. The AHSC Scrutiny Board undertook a review of the implications of the report Buying our Care, which was published in September 2022. The report attached at Appendix 1 was adopted by the Scrutiny Board in March 2023 and recommended to Cabinet. A cross-party working group of seven Members drawn from AHSC Scrutiny Board and Children and Young People Scrutiny Board was established and met with the Cabinet member for Adults Services and Wellbeing, Council officers, NHS officers, Healthwatch, and Nur e Sabil. The report of the working group was adopted at a meeting of Adults Health and Social Care Scrutiny Board on 16 March 2023.

Cabinet was asked to decide whether to adopt the 10 recommendations of Adults Health and Social Care Scrutiny Board outlined in the report.

Councillor Evans, Lead Member of the Buying our Care Review Group attended the meeting and address Cabinet. He thanked all Members of the Review Group and Scrutiny Officers for this significant piece work. He also thanked all parties that spoke to the Review Group and took part in the discussions. All concerns were taken seriously and there were 10 recommendations for consideration. He stressed the importance of listening to service users and their relatives and the Council should do

all it could to support different views. Listening and understanding communities was key and there was a sense and willingness to address these issues.

Councillor Fenton-Glynn, Cabinet Member with responsibility for Adult Services and Wellbeing responded and recommended that Cabinet accept the findings of the Review Group. He thanked all parties that had contributed their stories and the Members and Officers of the Review Group for their work. It was important to work closely with these organisations, along with talking to providers about cultural sensitivity and making this part of provision and training. Members and Officers were working on all areas, but the wording on Recommendation 6 regarding the "Court of Protection" needed to be reviewed.

Councillor Lynn, Cabinet Member with responsibility for Public Services and Communities thanked all parties involved in the Review Group and as a Ward Councillor for Park Ward paid tribute to the women of Park Ward who brought these issues to the Council's attention and proactively and positively working with the Review Group.

RESOLVED that with the exception of Recommendation 7 "Court of Protection" wording being amended with the separation of the support the Council can give and the Court setting, the recommendations be adopted.

7 REVIEW OF PARKING CHARGES

Councillor Lynn, Cabinet Member with responsibility for Public Services and Communities presented a written report of the Director, Public Services on the Review of Parking Charges. The Parking policy was one of the most effective tools available to manage and influence traffic and travel on the highway network. Used well, it could lay the foundations for a more sustainable transport system, supporting active travel, public transport, and emerging alternative fuel technologies, whilst also still catering for those who needed to rely on a private car. The Calderdale Parking Strategy was adopted by Cabinet in October 2022 and this review now operationalises the underlying principles within the strategy,

The Council undertakes a bi-annual review of parking charges to ensure its approach to both on-street and off-street parking was appropriate and continued to support strategic policies around transportation, traffic management, the climate emergency, and strong and thriving towns. The last review was approved by Cabinet in Summer 2020 and delivered in Autumn 2021.

The report set out a package of proposals, together with supporting rationale developed within the context of the Parking Strategy and the wider imperatives and increases in charges were generally limited to what they would be if they had increased in line with inflation each year since they were last reviewed, with a number kept below that level. It included an overall assessment of the specific circumstances in each town and considered other initiatives which may affect the supply of and/or demand for parking in that area so that the proposals were coordinated and 'joined-up'. It provided comparative information on parking charges in nearby council areas and proposed the introduction of a discounted 'Green Parking Permit' to promote and support wider ownership of electric vehicles.

The report also suggested that the revenue generated from charges was used to support additional carriageway lining work, together with the preparation of detailed parking studies for each of the main towns in the borough. The proposals in the report supported the Parking Strategy, the Climate Emergency that was declared in 2019, and wider supporting strategies, including the Air Quality Strategy and ongoing Transportation initiatives to encourage active travel. These strategies all recognised the importance of good parking management and charging policy in positively influencing travel behaviour.

The report outlined background information, options considered, financial, legal, human resources and organisational development, environmental, health and economic implications.

The Chair advised that the submission and issues raised by Councillor Barnes would be addressed.

Councillor Lynn advised that the Parking Strategy was adopted last year. There was a change to the recommendation outlined at 3.4 of the Director, Public Services written report on the new charges for resident parking zone permits, where it was proposed to set new charges for residents permits as, first permit at £30, second permit at £40 and the third permit at £60.00.

Councillor Patient advised that there were competing priorities to why this report was being considered and Green Parking Permits formed an important part of this.

RESOLVED that:

- (a) the proposed tariff changes relating to existing car parking charges set out in Appendix 1 of the Director, Public Services written report be agreed and implemented;
- (b) the proposed tariffs relating to the introduction of new on-street charges set out in Appendix 1 of the Director, Public Services report be agreed and implemented;
- (c) the proposed tariffs relating to the introduction of new off-street charges set out in Appendix 1 of the Director, Public Services written report be agreed and implemented;
- (d) the proposed increase to the resident permit charges set out in Appendix 1 be agreed and implemented, subject to the amendment to the recommendation outlined at 3.4 in the Director, Public Services written report being amended for the new charges for resident parking zone permits, where it was proposed to set new charges for residents permits as, first permit at £30, second permit at £40 and the third permit at £60.00;
- (e) the revised charges and amendments which were previously approved by Cabinet in 2018 but which had not yet been implemented for various reasons, be now implemented as set out in Appendix 3 of the Director, Public Services written report.
- (f) the proposed electric vehicle contract permit set out in Appendix 4 of the Director, Public Services written report be agreed and implemented.

- (g) the anticipated additional income in years one and two be used to boost additional carriageway lining capacity, prioritising areas where refreshed lining was needed for safety reasons or to ensure effective traffic management, with an amount then added to the annual lining budget in each subsequent year;
- (h) the anticipated additional income be also used to support the area parking reviews described in section 4 of the Director, Public Services written report, which would ensure that comprehensive and up to date information was available to inform the development of individual town parking strategies that reflected local need; and
- (i) a review of the Council car park estate be undertaken to identify any land which may be surplus to requirements and therefore suitable for disposal or alternative use, in line with established procedures.

8 WASTE & RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICES

Councillor Lynn, Cabinet Member with responsibility for Public Services and Communities presented a written report of the Director, Public Services on the Waste and Recycling Collection Services which sought approval to agree an extension to the current Waste and Recycling contract with Suez, as the original term was due to end on 31st July 2024. The report considered options for the future delivery of these services but concluded that an extension was the best course of action to allow sufficient time for a detailed appraisal of the respective costs and merits of each option.

Other considerations in support of this course of action included the potential higher cost of alternatives, the considerable uncertainties in the waste industry created by impending legislative changes, and supply chain constraints around vehicles. An extension would provide continuity through a period of uncertainty as the implications of a Deposit Return Scheme, Extended Producer Responsibilities, and potential changes to how local councils were required to collect waste work their way through the system. To try to second guess the impact of these changes would be imprudent and could result in considerable financial detriment if operational arrangements needed to adapt in the future.

Similarly, 'soft market testing' had indicated that new bidders would be wary of this uncertainty and would reflect this in their pricing and may choose not to tender for the work at all. This meant the Council would be in the disadvantageous position of facing limited market competition plus 'risk pricing' from any bidders, and so a more sensible approach was to wait until stability returned to the market. It may also be that the Council wished to see this type of service run through a public sector delivery model rather than a commercial organisation, and the space provided by a short extension would allow these options to be explored fully and with due diligence.

For all these reasons, it was considered unwise to rush into alternative arrangements at the end of the current contract. However, it was essential that an important public service like waste and recycling collection was delivered efficiently and effectively, and so discussions with Suez had stressed the need for any extension to provide both good value for money and a reliable service for local residents.

The report outlined background information, options considered, financial, legal, human resources and organisational development, environmental, health and economic implications.

RESOLVED that the:

- (a) Chief Finance Officer, in consultation with the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Public Services and Communities, be given delegated authority to negotiate the detailed terms of a contract extension with Suez for a further two years and submit a written report to a future meeting of Cabinet once this was concluded; and
- (b) Director, Public Services be requested to submit a further report for consideration by Cabinet later in the year, providing a detailed analysis of future delivery options for a sustainable waste and recycling service in the borough.

9 APPROPRIATION OF LAND AT FURNESS AVENUE, HALIFAX

Councillor Patient, Cabinet Member with responsibility for Climate Action, Active Travel and Housing presented a written report of the Director, Regeneration and Strategy seeking consideration of the Appropriation of Council-owned land at Furness Avenue, Halifax. (shown edged red on the plan attached at Appendix 1) ("the Site") from the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 to the Housing Act 1985 to facilitate the delivery of a major housing led regeneration development. Cabinet approval was required for the appropriation of the Site from its current holding power to enable the disposal of the Site in a timely manner to the Council's preferred bidder to facilitate the delivery of the proposed development.

It was considered that the appropriation of the Site from its current holding power was required prior to the Council and KHL entering into the Residential Development Agreement to ensure development of the Site could progress in a timely manner to ensure the delivery of c280 new homes, an Extra Care Facility and new public space improvements alongside minimising the impact risk of the Site stalling development of the wider collaboration.

The report outlined background information, options considered, financial, legal, human resources and organisational development, environmental, health and economic implications.

RESOLVED that the:

- (a) appropriation of the Site from the existing holding powers under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 to the Housing Act 1985 subject to no valid objections being received following publication of open space notices be approved; and
- (b) Director, Regeneration and Strategy in consultation with the Head of Legal and Democratic Services be given delegated authority to assess the validity of any objections received.

10 HOME UPGRADE GRANT PHASE 2 (HUG2) ENERGY EFFICIENCY SCHEME

Councillor Patient, Cabinet Member with responsibility for Climate Action, Active Travel and Housing presented a written report of the Director, Regeneration and

Strategy seeking consideration of the Home Upgrade Grant Phase 2 (HUG2) Energy Efficiency Scheme. Approval was sought to the approach to the use of the £4.14m HUG2 funding to make the homes of low-income households off the gas network, or using other fuel for their main space heating, more energy efficient. This scheme would make a significant contribution towards several of the Council's key priorities and objectives including tackling the climate emergency, reducing inequalities and place making.

The Council was required to formally approve the acceptance of £4.14m Home Upgrade Grant Phase 2 (HUG2) from the government's department for Energy Security and Net Zero (previously Business, Energy, and Industrial Strategy, BEIS). Annual allocations of the funding would be provided for the two-year programme which would improve up to two hundred homes by the end of March 2025. The HUG2 funding presented a significant opportunity to deliver the Council's three corporate objectives and support Vision 2024. It would have a positive impact across the more deprived ward areas, and low-income households throughout the rest of the borough.

The report outlined background information, options considered, financial, legal, human resources and organisational development, environmental, health and economic implications.

Councillor Patient thanked Richard Armitage and his team for developing relationships and bringing in this funding.

RESOLVED that the:

- (a) £4.14m HUG2 funding be utilised to deliver up to two-hundred low-income private tenure households by March 2025 and incorporate £3.6m of the £4.14m into the Council's Capital Programme to deliver the capital cost of the scheme detailed in paragraph 6.3 of the Director, Regeneration and Strategy's written report, with the remaining £0.54m being available for 'administration and ancillary' costs and be allocated into the service revenue budget;
- (b) Director, Regeneration and Strategy, in consultation with the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Climate Action, Active Travel and Housing and the Head of Finance be given delegated authority for management of the delivery and oversight of the HUG2 grant award; and
- (c) Director, Regeneration and Strategy be requested to incorporate regular reports on progress into future Capital Monitors reported to Cabinet.

11 HIGHWAYS CAPITAL MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME FOR 2023/24

Councillor Lynn, Cabinet Member with responsibility for Public Services and Communities presented a written report of the Director, Regeneration and Strategy seeking consideration of the Highways Capital Maintenance Programme for 2023/24. Whilst addressing the basics of highway maintenance and road safety within the constraints of the available funding, this programme took forward the Councils agenda of responding to climate change and public health issues by supporting active travel and carbon reduction wherever possible. Better connectivity was also an important tool in our ambition to reduce inequalities and build strong sustainable towns. Improved and well-maintained highways were an essential element of our

progress towards the delivery of Vision 2024 and beyond, strengthening our resilience and providing a platform for talents and enterprise to flourish.

Consistent with the national position the overall condition of the network was deteriorating with demand for maintenance activity greater than the available funding. Working within the constraints of the available funding work was prioritised based on evidence, engineering judgement, customer feedback and links to other work. Cabinet approval was required to deliver the proposed City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement ("CRSTS") Programme for the financial year 2023/24.

The report outlined background information, options considered, financial, legal, human resources and organisational development, environmental, health and economic implications.

RESOLVED that the:

- (a) City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement Programme for the financial year 2023/24 detailed in the Director, Regeneration and Strategy's written report be approved;
- (b) Assistant Director, Strategic Infrastructure, in consultation with the Cabinet Member with responsibility for the Regeneration and Strategy Directorate be given delegated authority to agree any required changes in the programme; and
- (c) Assistant Director, Strategic infrastructure, in consultation with the Cabinet Member with responsibility for the Regeneration and Strategy Directorate be given delegated authority to agree a strategic plan in accordance with West Yorkshire Combined Authority governance guidelines to develop a programme of works for the Pothole Fund allocation.

12 APPROACH TO COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT OF ASSETS

Councillor Dacre, Cabinet Member with responsibility for Resources presented a written report of the Director, Regeneration and Strategy seeking consideration of the Approach to Community Management of Assets and the issues arising from the current approach to the community management of assets, and to consider how the existing arrangements may be strengthened. Should the proposals in the report be supported, then the Policy and Framework for the Community Management of Assets and the Council's Property Disposal Policy would require review, wider consultation and Member review and sign off

Calderdale had a proud record of facilitating community engagement and participation, supported by its well-established approach to the community management of assets. For this to continue to be effective in what was an increasingly challenging environment, it was necessary for several issues to be considered, as set out in the report. The report captured reflections on the current arrangements and suggested options for consideration, potentially to feed into a full review of the overall approach.

The report outlined background information, options considered, financial, legal, human resources and organisational development, environmental, health and economic implications.

RESOLVED that:

- (a) the Director, Regeneration and Strategy be requested to carry out a post-project review of the recent/current community asset transfers, with the relevant community groups and Locality, to inform organisational learning and future improvements and to feed into a full review of the policy and procedure;
- (b) an additional stage be introduced within the Property Disposal Policy, to carry out an initial assessment of the potential suitability of a surplus asset for community management outlined in Appendices B and C of the Director, Regeneration and Strategy's written report;
- (c) an ongoing annual revenue budget of £55,000 per annum be identified to:
 - (i) provide support to groups in need of financial and/or specialist assistance; and
 - (ii) fund the establishment of a new post to address known capacity issues with the end-to-end management of the policy and procedure;

and

(d) a one-off revenue budget of £30,000 be identified to commission a full and meaningful review of the overall approach to the community management of assets.

13 AFFORDABLE HOUSING SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT

The Leader, Councillor Scullion presented a written report of the Director, Regeneration and Strategy seeking consideration of the Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document. Following adoption of the Calderdale Local Plan on 22nd March 2023, a suite of Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) was in preparation and would be submitted to Cabinet, in due course. The first set of SPDs to be considered by Cabinet included the SPD on Affordable Housing.

At the regional level the SPD would help to deliver the Mayoral Pledge to build 5,000 sustainable homes, including council houses and affordable homes. Locally it would support the Vision 2024 theme of distinctiveness in creating housing and places where people wanted to live. The SPD would also support the Council's Corporate Priorities to 'Tackle the Climate Emergency', 'Reduce Inequalities', and 'Create Strong, Thriving Towns'.

The Affordable Housing SPD was submitted for consideration to seek approval to undertake formal consultation as required by the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012. Once adopted by the Council, SPDs become a material consideration which could be taken into account when determining planning applications.

The report outlined background information, options considered, financial, legal, human resources and organisational development, environmental, health and economic implications.

RESOLVED that subject to the amendment of the wording in the first box of the flow chart in Appendix 3 of the Director, Regeneration and Strategy's written report to read "is the development smaller than the threshold in table 16.6 of the Local Plan, SPD Section 3.1", the Director, Regeneration and Strategy be requested to carry out a public consultation for four weeks, on the draft Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document outlined in Appendix 1 of the Director, Regeneration and Strategy's written report.

14 SELF-BUILD AND CUSTOM HOUSE BUILDING SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT

The Leader, Councillor Scullion presented a written report of the Director, Regeneration and Strategy seeking consideration of the Self and Custom Build Housing Supplementary Planning Document. Following adoption of the Calderdale Local Plan on 22nd March 2023, a suite of Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) was in preparation and would be submitted to Cabinet in due course. The first raft of SPDs to be submitted to Cabinet included the SPD on Self and Custom Build Housing.

The Self and Custom Build Housing SPD would support the Vision 2024 theme of distinctiveness in creating housing and places where people want to live. The SPD would also support the Council's Corporate Priorities to 'Tackle the Climate Emergency', 'Reduce Inequalities', and 'Create Strong, Thriving Towns'. The Self and Custom Build Housing SPD was submitted to Cabinet for consideration to seek approval to undertake formal consultation as required by the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning (England) Regulations 2012. Once adopted by the Council, SPDs become a material consideration which could be taken into account when determining planning applications.

The report outlined background information, options considered, financial, legal, human resources and organisational development, environmental, health and economic implications.

RESOLVED that the Director, Regeneration and Strategy be requested to carry out a public consultation for four weeks, on the draft Self and Custom Build Housing Supplementary Planning Document outlined in Appendix 1 of the Director, Regeneration and Strategy's written report.

15 CORPORATE PARENTING PANEL - REVISED TERMS OF REFERENCE

Councillor Wilkinson, Cabinet Member with responsibility for Children and Young People's Services presented a written report of the Director, Children and Young Peoples Services seeking consideration of the Revised Terms of Reference for the Calderdale Corporate Parenting Panel. In February 2018, the Department for Education published Statutory Guidance to Local Authorities for applying Corporate Parenting Principles. This Guidance detailed how to apply corporate parenting principles and recommended the implementation of Corporate Parenting Boards to look strategically at the way Children Looked After and Care Leavers experience Council services.

The purpose of the Calderdale Corporate Parenting Board was to ensure the Council and its partners were an effective Corporate Parent and fulfilled its corporate

parenting responsibilities to Children Looked After and Care Leavers. The Board was made up of elected members, key service leaders, Council Officers and partners. The ethos of the Board was to ensure that the child or Care Leaver was at the centre of the discussion and that their needs and voice drove the agenda of the Board. The emphasis and approach of the Board was to ensure 'appreciative inquiry' as opposed to scrutiny which meant that all members should be considerate of the language they used and utilised this to drive improvement in services and outcomes.

The report outlined background information, options considered, financial, legal, human resources and organisational development, environmental, health and economic implications.

Councillor Courtney encouraged all Councillors to attend meetings of the Calderdale Corporate Parenting Partnership Board.

Councillor Scullion expressed appreciation of the Social Workers and Officers for the amount of work that they did.

RESOLVED that the name change to Calderdale Corporate Parenting Partnership Board and the Terms of Reference be approved.

16 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO SERVE ON JOINT COMMITTEES

The Leader, Councillor Scullion, presented a written report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services seeking consideration to the appointment of Members to serve on the Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation Management Committee and associated bodies, and the Leeds City Region Business Rates Pool Joint Committee which were Joint Committees exercising executive functions under Section 101(J) of the Local Government Act 1972. and to consider the appointment of Members to serve on the Calderdale Admissions Forum, falling under paragraph 3.2.1(iv) of the Calderdale Admissions Forum's Constitution "nomination by Calderdale's Cabinet".

RESOLVED that:

- (a) in relation to the Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation (YPO):
 - I. Councillor Barnes be appointed to serve on the YPO Management Committee, and that Councillor Monteith be appointed as substitute;
- II. Councillor Barnes be appointed as Director, on YPO Procurement Holdings Ltd; and that Councillor Monteith be appointed as Alternate Director; and
- III. Approval be given to waive the political balance rules which apply to the YPO Joint Committee in accordance with Section 17 of the Local Government and Housing act 1989.
- (b) in relation to the Leeds City Region Business Rates Pool Joint Committee, the Leader of the Council, Councillor Scullion be appointed to serve as the Council's Member;

and

(c) the Head of Legal and Democratic Services, in consultation with the Leader, be given delegated authority to appoint 4 Members to the Calderdale Schools Admissions Forum.

17 ESTABLISHMENT OF WORKING PARTIES AND OTHER BODIES

The Leader, Councillor Scullion, presented a written report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services seeking consideration to the establishment of and appointment of Members to serve on working parties and other bodies for the 2023/24 Municipal Year.

RESOLVED that:

(a) Members be appointed to serve on the working parties indicated for the 2023/24 Municipal Year as follows and its meetings be open to the public under the Access to Information Procedure Rules at Part 4 of the Council's Constitution. (paragraph 4.1 and 4.2) of the report:

Climate Action Partnership Councillor Patient (Chair) (Cabinet

Member for Climate Action, Active

Travel and Housing)
Councillor Clarke
Councillor Lynn
Councillor Brundell
Councillor Dickenson
Councillor Hev

Councillor Parsons-Hulse

Cabinet Asset Management and Markets

Working Party

Councillor Thompson (NABMA

Member)

Councillor Dacre (Cabinet Member for

Resources)

Councillor M Swift
Councillor Durrans
Councillor Monteith
Councillor Blagbrough
Councillor Wood

Liberal Democrat Vacancy

Calderdale Flood Recovery and

Resilience Programme Board

Councillor Scullion (Leader) (Chair) Councillor T Swift (Cabinet Member

for Public Health)

Councillor Patient (Cabinet Member for Climate Action, Active Travel and

Housing)

Councillor Brundell
Councillor Dickenson
Councillor Leigh
Councillor Whittaker
Councillor Holdsworth
Independent/Green Vacancy

(b) Members be appointed to serve on the other bodies indicated for the 2023/24 Municipal year as follows:

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Calderdale Fostering Panel (2 Panels)

Councillor Tremayne (Member) Councillor Durrans (Substitute) Councillor Monteith (Member) Councillor Issott (Substitute)

The Adoption Panel (As agreed by One Adoption West Yorkshire)

To be advised by One Adoption West Yorkshire if Calderdale is eligible for appointments

Regulation 44 and Recommendation 41 Visits

Councillor Blagbrough
Councillor Dickenson
Councillor Foster
Councillor Patient
Councillor Hutchinson
Councillor Courtney
Councillor Carr
Councillor Prashad

Further Members may be approved by the Head of Legal and Democratic Services, in consultation with the Leader, and subject to confirmation that they have completed the relevant checks and necessary training.

Calderdale Corporate Parenting Partnership Board

Councillor Wilkinson (Cabinet Member for Children and Young People

Services)

Councillor Tremayne Councillor M Swift Councillor Courtney Councillor Issott Councillor Atkinson Councillor Carr

(all remaining Members of the Council to be appointed as substitutes)

Calderdale Cares

(2 x Members for each Locality):

North South Upper Valley Lower Valley Central

Once geographical locality areas are known, Members may be approved by the Head of Legal and Democratic Services, in consultation with the Leader.

Community Services Small Grants Panel

Councillor Courtney Councillor Patient Councillor Ahmed Councillor Caffrey

Independent/Green Vacancy

Museums Collections Advisory Group

Councillor Lynn

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Councillor Hutchinson Councillor Foster Councillor Ford Councillor Holdsworth

Councillor

Calderdale Tourism Board

Member for Towns, Tourism and Voluntary Sector) Councillor Kingstone Councillor Brundell Councillor Hutchinson

Courtney

Councillor Atkinson Councillor Pillai Councillor Prashad

Town Development Board - Brighouse

To be appointed to as follows:

Councillor Courtney (as Cabinet Member for Towns. Tourism and

Voluntary Sector)

Councillor T Swift, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Public Health)

Councillor Blagbrough Councillor Benton Councillor Monteith

Councillor Whittaker (Rastrick Ward

Councillor)

Councillor Robinson (Hipperholme and

Lightcliffe Ward Councillor)

Town Development Board - Elland

Councillor Courtney (as Cabinet Member for Towns, Tourism and

Voluntary Sector)

Councillor T Swift, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Public Health)

Councillor Gallagher Councillor Veitch Councillor Ford

Town Development Board – Halifax

Councillor Courtney (as Cabinet Member for Towns, Tourism and

Voluntary Sector)

Councillor T Swift, Deputy Leader and

Cabinet Member for Public Health)

Councillor Hutchinson Councillor Thompson Councillor MK Swift Councillor Clarke Councillor Caffrey Councillor Beech Councillor Carr

Town Development Board – Hebden Bridge and Mytholmroyd

Cabinet Councillor Courtney (as Member for Towns, Tourism and

Voluntary Sector)

Councillor T Swift, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Public Health)

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Councillor Fenton-Glynn

Councillor Ahmed
Councillor Patient
Councillor Kimber

Town Development Board - Sowerby

Bridge

Councillor Courtney (as Cabinet Member for Towns, Tourism and

Voluntary Sector)

Councillor T Swift, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Public Health)

Councillor Wilkinson Councillor Foster Councillor Ashton

Town Development Board - Todmorden

Councillor Courtney (as Cabinet Member for Towns, Tourism and

Voluntary Sector)

Councillor T Swift, Deputy Leader and

Cabinet Member for Public Health)

Councillor Dacre Councillor Brundell Councillor Ahmed

and

(c) the Head of Legal and Democratic Services be given delegated authority to action any changes and or to fill any vacancies to the Membership of the Cabinet Working Parties and Other Bodies outlined in part (a) and (b) of this resolution.

18 NATIONAL ANALOGUE TO DIGITAL SWITCHOVER / COMMUNITY ALARMS AND MOBILE RESPONSE SERVICE CONTRACT - EXEMPT

Councillor Fenton-Glynn, Cabinet Member with responsibility for Adult Services and Wellbeing presented a written report of the Director, Adult Services and Wellbeing seeking consideration of the National Analogue to Digital Switchover/Community Alarms and Mobile Response Service contract. Cabinet approval was sought to the extension to the current Community Alarms and Mobile Response Service (the Service) to allow the digital switchover to be carried out over the next 18 months by the same provider; and, to allow the joint re-procurement with Calderdale Cares Partnership by 1st April 2025 and to ensure the continued delivery of a high-quality service that met people's needs and improved their outcomes. The report also sought Council approval for Capital Funding to proceed with a project to purchase and install replacement equipment for the analogue to digital switchover that had been announced nationally, to be completed by 2025.

The UK's telecommunications providers were currently transitioning their telephone services from analogue to digital networks aiming for completion by 2025. This switchover directly impacted the services users of the Community Alarms and Mobile Response Service contract which was due to expire 31st March 2024. With effect from May 2023, a project action plan commenced, in line with Government guidance, for the replacement of telecare and assistive technology equipment, used by people who were benefitting from the Service. Telecare and assistive technology equipment would need to be replaced, tested and introduced to vulnerable service users/family representatives in an 18 month programme of work. Due to the large numbers of

service users in receipt of telecare equipment and assistive technology (over 3000), the project plan spans beyond 31st March 2024.

The report outlined background information, options considered, financial, legal, human resources and organisational development, environmental, health and economic implications.

*RESOLVED that it be recommended to the Council that:

- (a) to fund the purchase of digital equipment to replace analogue equipment by 2025 be agreed;
- (b) the capital sum detailed in the report be incorporated into the Council's Capital Programme to allow for the purchase and installation of the digital units, to be funded by prudential borrowing;
- (c) the additional revenue funding required to service the borrowing as detailed in paragraph 6.6 of the Director, Adult Services and Wellbeing's written report be added to the Council's revenue budget from 2025/26 onwards;
- (d) a 12 month extension, to 31st March 2025 to the Community Alarms and Mobile Response Service be approved to enable:
 - (i) the current provider to replace current analogue equipment with new digital equipment, to test it and to introduce it to the people who use the service; and,
 - (ii) the re-commissioning of the service to be a joint exercise with the Calderdale Cares Partnership.
- (e) the Director, Adult Services and Wellbeing be given delegated authority, in consultation with the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Adult Services and Wellbeing, the Head of Legal and Democratic Services and the Head of Finance to implement the extension if required; and
- (f) the Director, Adult Services and Wellbeing be given delegated authority, in consultation with the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Adult Services and Wellbeing, the Head of Legal and Democratic Services and the Head of Finance to proceed with the procurement of digital equipment to replace analogue equipment and implement the associated contract.

19 LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSING FUND - EXEMPT

Councillor Patient, Cabinet Member with responsibility for Climate Action, Active Travel and Housing presented a written report of the Director, Regeneration and Strategy seeking consideration of the Local Authority Housing Fund. The report advised on the allocation of funding from the Department for Levelling Up Housing and Communities through a scheme called the Local Authority Housing Fund. It would outline the proposal Calderdale submitted and the recommendations to Members with respect of allocating funding to facilitate 13 additional properties to support a specific cohort and ease homelessness pressures. This programme would directly support the Council's corporate priorities in contributing to strong thriving

towns and places and reducing inequalities by purchasing and repairing properties on the open market to provide additional accommodation for vulnerable households.

The Council had been allocated a sum of monies detailed in the report from the Local Authority Housing Fund to meet pressures to support Afghans in bridging hotels, those on the Homes for Ukraine Scheme or general needs families threatened with homelessness. A proposal had been submitted and accepted due to the short timeframe, pending Cabinet approval which was required to progress the proposal to enter into contracts, as outlined, to purchase and repair additional homes to ease the pressures on the homelessness service for the cohort identified in the report.

The report outlined background information, options considered, financial, legal, human resources and organisational development, environmental, health and economic implications.

Councillor Patient advised that further funding had been announced and requested that the Director, Regeneration and Strategy be given delegated authority, in consultation with the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Climate Action, Active Travel and Housing and the Head of Legal and Democratic Services to accept any minor changes.

RESOLVED that:

- (a) the receipt of the sum of monies detailed in the report from the Local Authority Housing Fund be approved;
- (b) the proposals in the Director, Regeneration and Strategy's written report be approved, including the award of funding to Together Housing, Chartford Housing and Calder Valley Community Land Trust in order to pass on the funding from and meet the requirements of the Local Authority Housing Fund (in such proportions to be decided by the Director, Regeneration and Strategy);
- (c) the Director, Regeneration and Strategy be given delegated authority, in consultation with the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Climate Action, Active Travel and Housing and the Head of Legal and Democratic Services to accept any minor changes and to finalise and enter into any relevant legal documentation to implement the recommendations; and
- (d) delegated authority be given to the Director of Regeneration and Strategy in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Climate Action, Active Travel and Housing and the Head of Legal and Democratic Services to submit further funding applications to the Local Authority Housing Fund together with delegated authority to accept funding awarded through those further applications.
- (e) it be noted that the sum of monies referred to at resolution (a) above of the capital funding retained in the Council's overall budget (received from the Local Authority Housing Fund) be utilised to contribute to the delivery of the 13 additional properties to be purchased and repaired.