

# MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND CABINET

Wednesday, 21 September 2022 at 6.00 pm

PRESENT: Councillors Damien Egan (Mayor), Brenda Dacres, Chris Barnham, Paul Bell, Andre Bourne, Juliet Campbell, Sophie Davis, Amanda De Ryk, Louise Krupski and Kim Powell

ALSO PRESENT: Director of Law, Governance and Elections, Head of Governance and Committee Services, Director of Public Realm.

Also joining the meeting virtually: Councillor James-J Walsh.

NB: The Councillor listed as joining virtually was not in attendance for the purposes of the meeting being quorate, any decisions taken or to satisfy the requirements of s85 Local Government Act 1972.

There were no apologies for absence.

## 1. Declaration of Interests

No declarations were made.

## 2. Minutes

Agreed.

## 3. Matters Raised by Scrutiny and other Constitutional Bodies

Having considered an open officer report, it was MOVED, SECONDED and RESOLVED that the Mayor and Cabinet agree:

1. The response to the recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee arising from “Future Lewisham – an economically sound future”;
2. The response to the recommendations of the Sustainable Development Select Committee on the flood risk management strategy;
3. The response to the recommendations of the Housing Retrofit Task and Finish Group; and
4. That officers should apply for funding from the Government’s Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund Wave 2 and Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme Phase 3 and that decision making on the details of the bids be delegated to the Executive Director for Housing Regeneration and Public Realm in consultation with the Executive Director for Corporate Resources.

## 4. Young Mayor's Budget

The Mayor and Cabinet heard a presentation by the Young Mayor, Rosanna Campbell, Deputy Young Mayor, Olivia Mardling, and Young Advisors, Shanti

Elliot, Morgan Seward and Micah Spence. The presentation gave an overview of the work of the Young Mayor and Advisors, including the Halo Project and race equality work, a young person-led autism awareness workshop, running the Bank of Things, being involved in the recruitment process for a Head of Special Educational Needs, and contributing to policy creation.

The Mayor and Cabinet expressed how impressed they were by the Young Mayor and Advisors as role models and ambassadors for the young people of Lewisham. The Mayor expressed his pride in the Young Mayor for the way she had conducted herself and promoted the role of Young Mayor during her tenure, referencing a speech that she had given at the lighting of the Jubilee beacon that had been particularly well delivered.

It was MOVED, SECONDED and RESOLVED to agree the Lewisham Young Mayor's budget proposals set out in section 8 of the report.

#### **5. Permission to procure for the provision of Temporary Agency Staff/Managed Service Provider**

Having considered an open officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Finance and Strategy Councillor Amanda De Ryk, it was MOVED, SECONDED and RESOLVED that the Mayor and Cabinet approve:

- The re-procurement of an external provider to deliver an Agency Worker Supply Service to the Council. The terms of the contract would be two years, with an optional two year extension commencing on 1 April 2023;
- The approach of a direct award via the London Collaboration Contracts under the ESPO MSTAR 3 Framework Agreement.

#### **6. Authority to Procure NHS health checks provision**

Having considered an open officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Communities, Refugees and Wellbeing, it was MOVED, SECONDED and RESOLVED that the Mayor and Cabinet permit officers to undertake an open tender exercise to procure an NHS Health Checks programme for a period of three years from April 2023 with an option to extend for a further 2 years. The Contract Value is £325,000 per annum, and total contract value of £1,625,000 over 5 years.

#### **7. Maximising Wellbeing of Carers**

Having considered an open officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care, Paul Bell, it was MOVED, SECONDED and RESOLVED that the Mayor and Cabinet permit procurement of the Maximising Wellbeing of (unpaid) Carer service and extension of the existing carer contracts for a period of three months.

#### **8. Request to extend three Children and Family Centre contracts and client record system for 12 months from 1 April '23 - 31 March '24**

Having considered an open officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Children's Services and School Performance, Councillor Chris Barnham, it was MOVED, SECONDED and RESOLVED that the Mayor and Cabinet agree an extension of one-year to three contracts providing Children and Family Centre services, from the 1st April 2023 to the 31st March 2024 at a total value of £1,670,000 as follows:

- Extension of the contract with Early Years Alliance (previously known as Pre School Learning Alliance) at a cost of £1.3m;
- Extension of the contract with Downderry School at a cost of £200,000; and
- Extension of the contract with Eliot Bank and Kelvin Grove at a cost of £170,000.

#### **9. Watergate Special School Expansion budget approval and approval to procure**

Having considered an open and a confidential officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Children's Services and School Performance, Councillor Chris Barnham, it was MOVED, SECONDED and RESOLVED that the Mayor and Cabinet:

- Approve the procurement of capital works contract to deliver the Watergate School Expansion Works. Note the procurement route to be used in order to deliver the capital works for the expansion of Watergate school
- Approve the allocation for the use of additional grant funding S106 funding to the budget;
- Approve and agree the revised scope, anticipated timescales and indicative total budget to deliver the works, on the understanding that a further report will be presented for the award of the construction contract once the works have been procured.

#### **10. Permission to Procure for refurbishment works and registered provider for Supported Accommodation for Young People for Site 1 and Site 2**

Having considered an open and a confidential officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Children's Services and School Performance, Councillor Chris Barnham, it was MOVED, SECONDED and RESOLVED that the Mayor and Cabinet approve:

- The commencement of the procurement process to secure a suitably qualified Main Contractor to carry out conversion and refurbishment works at the two sites; at a pre-tender estimated value set out in the part 2 report, a tier two contract classification and using the process set out in the part 1 report;
- The commencement of the procurement process to provide Children and Young People and Leaving Care Service a new registered provider to manage both buildings (leasehold) and to provide a high level of support service to 16 & 17 year old children in care and 18+ care leavers, over a three year period with an option to extend for a further two years commencing in or around July 2023 depending on the completion of refurbishment works; and
- Delegation of authority to the Executive Director for Children and Young People (in consultation with the Executive Director for Housing, Regeneration and Public

Realm) to award both contracts following the procurement process as set out in the report.

**11. Lewisham Homes Business Plan**

Having considered an open officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing Management and Homelessness, Councillor Sophie Davis, it was MOVED, SECONDED and RESOLVED to approve the Lewisham Homes' Annual Business Plan for 2022/23.

**12. Approval for the Local Development Scheme (LDS)**

This item was deferred for consideration at a later meeting.

**13. Approval of the Lewisham Local Plan - Regulation 19 Proposed Submission document for public consultation**

This item was deferred for consideration at a later meeting.

**14. Approval for Contract Award - Works contract for the former Catford Constitutional Club**

Having considered an open and a confidential officer report, and a presentation by the Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Housing Development and Planning, Councillor Brenda Dacres, it was MOVED, SECONDED and RESOLVED that the Mayor and Cabinet:

- Authorise the award of a contract to Claremont Refurbishment Ltd to undertake refurbishment works at the former CCC, for a fixed-price contract value of up to £2,100,709.10 and approve the delegation of the final contract value and terms to the Executive Director of Housing, Regeneration and Public Realm;
- Grant approval for the revised total budget envelope for the scheme, details of which are contained within Part 2 of the report; and
- Note the shortfall in the total project budget as set out in detail in Part 2 of the report, to be funded via a contribution from the Catford Regeneration Partnership Limited (CRPL), as outlined in the revised CRPL business plan update report (Item 16 on the agenda).

**15. Lewisham and Lee Green LTN Monitoring Update**

The Mayor and Cabinet considered an open officer report, an addendum correcting a minor formatting error in the data, and presentations by the Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Action Development and Planning, Councillor Louise Krupski, and the Director of Public Realm.

In response to questions, it was noted that the Dermody Road filter in one direction filter formed an integral part of the LTN and had been successful in significantly reducing traffic. The Mayor and Cabinet were advised that removing the filter would limit the integrity of LTN scheme.

The Mayor and Cabinet also heard that officers were considering lorry ban proposals for Hither Green Lane and work was ongoing to find a solution that avoided moving the problem to side roads.

It was MOVED, SECONDED and RESOLVED that the Mayor and Cabinet:

- Note the findings of the data monitoring and agree further monitoring in April 2023 for continued assessment of the LTN;
- Note the update on the delivery of complementary measures within the LTN and the surrounding area.

#### **16. Catford Regeneration Partnership Ltd Update**

Having considered an open officer report, and a presentation by the Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Housing Development and Planning, Councillor Brenda Dacres, it was MOVED, SECONDED and RESOLVED that the Mayor and Cabinet:

- Note the update on the delivery plan and latest cashflow position of the company at the end March 2022 following approval of the Business Plan in July 2021;
- Delegate authority to the Exec Director for Corporate Resources to agree the final terms of the loan needed to support the cashflow and that it will be similar to all previous loan facilities granted to the Company;
- Note a number of key areas of challenge for the company over the coming years;
- Note that a new Business Plan will be presented to Mayor and Cabinet in the New Year; and
- Ask that Catford Regeneration Partnership Limited (CRPL) consider investing £400k into the Council's regeneration of the Catford Constitution Club.

#### **17. Exclusion of the Press and Public**

There was no need to exclude the press and public since the Part 2 reports were considered in conjunction with the corresponding items in Part 1 of the agenda.

#### **18. Contract Award - former Catford Constitution Club Contractor - Part 2**

Considered in conjunction with the Part 1 report.

#### **19. Watergate School expansion project: approval to procure and budget allocation Part 2**

Considered in conjunction with the Part 1 report.

#### **20. Permission to Procure for refurbishment works and a registered provider for Supported Accommodation for Young People -Site 1 and Site 2. Part 2**

Considered in conjunction with the Part 1 report.

