

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA CITY COUNCIL

Meeting of Cabinet

Date: Thursday, 14th March, 2024

Place: Council Chamber - Civic Suite

Present: Councillor T Cox (Chair)
Councillors C Campbell, M Davidson (Vice-Chair), H Boyd, K Buck,
J Courtenay, D Garston, J Lamb and D Nelson

(*Substitute in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 30.)

In Attendance: Councillor Aylen
C Ansell, S Zeiss, C Shuter, M Marks, A Barnes, J Gay, A Keating,
R Lumley, A Richards, L White and R Harris.

Start/End Time: 6.30 pm - 6.55 pm

116 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor D Jarvis.

117 Declarations of Interest

The following declaration of interest was made:

Councillor Campbell – Minute 112 (Notice of Motion – Fly-tipping enforcement)
– Proposer of the Notice the Motion at Council on 14th December 2024.

118 Waste Collection Contract Procurement

The Cabinet considered a joint report of the Executive Director (Finance and Resources) and Executive Director (Environment and Place) presenting an update on the progress of the procurement of the new waste collection contract and clarity about the oversight role of Cabinet up to now and for the remainder of the process.

Resolved:

That the submitted report be noted and referred to Full Council for consideration.

Reasons for Decision:

To note the rationale for each of the recommendations related to Waste Collection Contract Specification set out in **Appendix 1**. Each recommendation is underpinned by the objectives of the procurement that were agreed by Cabinet on 14th June 2022. Each of the recommendations presented have been discussed with and considered by the cabinet member through the Waste Steering Board and have been subject to wider debate via the pre-scrutiny processes.

Other Options:

Alternative options are set out in the confidential appendices.

Note: This is an Executive Function

Not eligible for call-in

Cabinet Members: Cllr Cox and Cllr Davidson

119 Community Based Supported Living Procurement

The Cabinet considered a report of the Executive Director (Adults and Communities) presenting details of the Community Based Supported Living Procurement process undertaken via the Council's electronic Tender Facility.

Resolved:

That the award of placement on the Supported Living Framework to the 22 providers set out in the submitted report, be approved.

Reasons for decision:

To approve the award of placement on the Supported Living Framework to the successful applicants, following the Council's electronic Tender Facility ProContract process.

Other options:

None.

Note: This is an Executive Function

Not eligible for call-in

Cabinet Member: Cllr Nelson

120 Homecare Extension to Contract 2024

The Cabinet considered a report of the Executive Director (Adults and Communities) seeking approval to further extend the Care and Support in Home, homecare contract, to 31st March 2025.

Resolved:

That the Homecare Services contract be extended to 31st March 2025.

Reasons for decision:

To extend the Homecare contract to 31st March 2025 to enable the service to continue under the current contract during this time.

Other options:

To spot-purchase any number of providers to deliver Homecare in the city as an alternative to a framework contract. This would present an increased risk to the effective oversight of the quality and safety of Homecare provision to vulnerable residents in need of care and support living across the city. In addition, each package of care would be subject to the Council's procurement procedures and therefore some form of quotation process with competition would be required each time significantly delaying provision of care in many cases.

Note: This is an Executive Function
Not eligible for call-in.
Cabinet Member: Cllr Nelson

121 Notice of Motion - Cuckoo Corner (referred by Council held on 14th December 2023)

The Cabinet considered a report of the Executive Director (Environment and Place) concerning the Notice of Motion related to Cuckoo Corner referred to it by Council at its meeting on 14th December 2023.

Resolved:

1. That the Notice of Motion relating to Cuckoo Corner, as set out at Appendix 1 to the submitted report, be noted and junction monitoring be continued to gather data to inform a trial scheme.
2. That, subject to the analysis of the junction monitoring data, a trial scheme be brought forward to restrict westbound right turns from Priory Crescent into Aldi and the Saxon King pub and the effects of this trial scheme be monitored post implementation to inform any potential future changes.

Reasons for decision:

To respond to the Notice of Motion concerning Cuckoo Corner referred by Council held on 14th December 2023.

Other options:

None.

Note: This is an Executive Function
Not eligible for call-in
Cabinet Member: Cllr Buck

122 Notice of Motion - Fly-tipping Enforcement (referred by Council held on 14th December 2023)

The Cabinet considered a report of the Executive Director (Environment and Place) concerning the Notice of Motion related to fly-tipping enforcement referred to it by Council at its meeting on 14th December 2023.

On consideration of the report a minor amendment was made to include graffiti as an additional area for enforcement.

Resolved:

1. That the Notice of Motion relating to fly-tipping enforcement, as set out at Appendix 1 to the submitted report, be used to inform the procurement of a contractor to support the Council in addressing matters including low level fly tipping, dog fouling, littering and graffiti.

2. That the procurement of a contractor be progressed as soon as possible to deliver the anticipated income in the 2024/25 budget and it be noted that it is anticipated that the appointment of any such contractor under this small procurement will not be a key decision and will therefore be a matter which can be concluded under officer delegations at the relevant time.

Reasons for decision:

To respond to the Notice of Motion concerning fly tipping enforcement referred by Council held on 14th December 2023.

Other options:

None.

Note: This is an Executive Function
Not eligible for call-in
Cabinet Member: Cllr Davidson

123 Exclusion of the Public

Resolved:

That, under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the items of business set out below, on the grounds that they would involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

124 Transitional Supported Housing

The Cabinet considered a report of the Executive Director (Adults and Communities) seeking approval to extend several contracts in relation to Transitional Supported Housing.

Resolved:

That the contracts set out in the submitted confidential report be extended for 4 months.

Reasons for decision:

To extend the contracts for 4 months as part of Transitional Supported Housing.

Other options:

None.

Note: This is an Executive Function

Not eligible for call-in.

Cabinet Member: Cllr Nelson

125 Confidential Appendices - Waste Collection Contract Procurement

This matter was considered in conjunction with Minute 118 (Waste Collection Contract Procurement) above.

126 Confidential Appendix - Community Based Supported Living Procurement

This matter was considered in conjunction with Minute 119 (Community Based Supported Living Procurement) above.

Chair: _____