

CABINET

Tuesday, 20th June 2017

COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 46

The following action taken in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 46 is reported. In consultation with the appropriate Executive Councillor(s):-

1. The Deputy Chief Executive (Place) authorised:

- 1.1 DfT Challenge Fund Application
The submission of the application to the DfT by the deadline of 31st March 2017 for capital funding of £556k, supported by £100k from the approved Capital Programme 2016/17, to improve the resilience of the highway drainage network to extreme weather events at City Beach, Shoeburyness and access to Southend Airport (Harp House Roundabout and adjoining roads).
- 1.2 Industrial Strategy Consultation Response
The content and submission of the Council's response, which includes feedback from Councillors and local businesses to the Government Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) "Building our Industrial Strategy" Green Paper by the required deadline of 17th April 2017.
- 1.3 Anglia Level Crossing Proposals – Woodgrange Close and Public Footpath FP189 – Objection to the Proposed Closure
The submission of an objection from the Council to the application by Network Rail for the closure of the level crossing and public footpath for Woodgrange Close to Pilgrims Close, by the required deadline of 12th May 2017.
- 1.4 Purchase of 53 Grampian, Southend on Sea – Virement of HRA Capital Resources
Approval of the virement of £115,000 from the agreed Better Queensway buy back funds to the HRA Capital Programme to facilitate the purchase of this property.

2. The Deputy Chief Executive (People) authorised:

- 2.1 School Places Grant
Approval to proceed as provided for in the Secretary of State for Education's consent in relation to the acquisition of the Cecil Jones Lower School, Wentworth Road to facilitate the

amalgamation and conversion to an Academy of Seabrook College and Seabrook PRU

- 2.2 Expansion of Places at St Thomas More High School
Pursuant to Minute 856 of Cabinet held on 14th March 2017 and following the guarantee by the Governing Body and the Diocese in writing, the commitment of £4m to St Thomas More School to provide an additional 30 places per year group in time for the 2018/19 academic year.

3. The Director of Finance and Resources authorised:

- 3.1 New Lease to Access Anyone at the Marigold Centre, 62 Avenue Road, Westcliff on Sea
The grant of a new 35 year lease in respect of a day care centre for students with disabilities. The property will be completely refurbished by the incoming tenant.
- 3.2 The Gasworks Site, Esplanade House, 60 Eastern Esplanade
An opportunity has arisen for the Council to bid to acquire the Gasworks site from the Joint Fixed Charge Receivers. The 3.5 acre prime seafront site has the potential to offer strategic benefits to the Council and the seafront area particularly for car parking and development opportunities.
- 3.3 London Southend Airport, Eastwoodbury Crescent
London Southend Airport Hotel freehold carve out from the main Airport Lease on best consideration terms as certified by Savills to assist Stobart Group to maximise the release of capital for reinvestment in to the Airport. All revenue moves across to the Airport lease and the Council will receive a premium with Stobart Group t/a Thames Gateway Airport Ltd meeting all costs.
- 3.4 South Essex College Secured Loan Facility – Stephenson Road
The grant of a loan on commercial terms to South Essex College to facilitate the acquisition of land and buildings at Stephenson Road pursuant to the principles agreed at Cabinet on 10 January 2017 (minute 608 refers).