

Cabinet Decision Statement	Gloucestershire County Council
Wednesday 4 February 2015	

Agenda Item	Decision	Portfolio
5	<p>CORPORATE STRATEGY AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY 2015/16 ONWARDS - RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL</p> <p>Councillor Ray Theodoulou, Cabinet Member for Finance and Change, presented the council's budget proposals 2015/16. Having considered the proposals in conjunction with the Council Strategy, Medium Term Financial Consultation Documents and Due Regard Statement,</p> <p>CABINET RESOLVED to: -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) <i>Consider the outcome of the consultation received, as summarised in Section D of the Medium Term Financial Strategy and set out in the consultation report;</i> 2) <i>Approve the Council Strategy for submission to County Council;</i> 3) <i>Approve changes to the draft budget, as set out in paragraphs 7 to 8 (revenue) and 9 (capital), which have been included within the Medium Term Financial Strategy, and to approve the Medium Term Financial Strategy and final revenue and capital budget for 2015/16 for recommendation to Council, including all of the proposals set out in the annexes.</i> 4) <i>Note the draft local government finance settlement and forecast reserve movements, as set out in the Medium Term Financial Strategy, and to recommend to Council a revenue budget of £420.03 million, and a Band D council tax of £1090.50, (the same level as in 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14 and 2014/15), and consequential precepts on District Councils.</i> 5) <i>Approve, for recommendation to Council, the Treasury Management Strategy, Investment Strategy and Prudential Indicators, as set out in Section I and Annex 10 of the Medium Term Financial Strategy, and the Risk Management Strategy, as set out in Section L and Annex 9 of the Medium Term Financial Strategy.</i> 	<p>Leader of the Council</p> <p>Finance and Change</p>

<p>6</p>	<p>GLOUCESTERSHIRE LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN REVIEW (2014/15) CONSULTATION</p> <p>Cllr Will Windsor-Clive, Cabinet Member for Fire, Planning and Infrastructure, sought Cabinet approval to commence a six week period of public consultation on the Gloucestershire Local Transport Plan Review (2014/15).</p> <p>Having considered all of the information, including known proposals and reasons for the recommendations,</p> <p>CABINET RESOLVED to: -</p> <p><i>Approve for consultation, the Local Transport Plan Review.</i></p>	<p>Fire, Planning and Infrastructure</p>
<p>7</p>	<p>INTERNAL AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT SHARED SERVICE</p> <p>Cllr Ray Theodoulou, Cabinet Member for Finance and Change, sought approval to form an Internal Audit and Risk Management Shared Service between Gloucestershire County Council, Gloucester City Council and Stroud District Council, and to enter into a shared services agreement in accordance with the provisions of Section 101 of the Local Government Act 1972, Sections 19 and 20 of the Local Government Act 2000 and other enabling powers.</p> <p>Having considered all of the information, including known proposals and reasons for recommendations,</p> <p>CABINET RESOLVED to approve: -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) <i>The creation of a Shared Internal Audit and Risk Management Service with effect from 1 April 2015 ("the commencement date), or such other date as is agreed between Gloucester City Council, Stroud District Council and Gloucestershire County Council on the basis set in the decision report;</i> 2) <i>That the host authority will become Gloucestershire County Council;</i> 3) <i>Entering into an Administrative Collaboration Agreement, under S101 of the Local Government Act 1972 with the partner authorities in full consultation with the Head of Legal Services;</i> 4) <i>The transfer of staff to Gloucestershire County Council as Host Authority on the terms set out in the Administrative Collaboration Agreement from the Commencement Date;</i> 5) <i>The formation of an Internal Audit and Risk Management Shared Services Board comprising the Section 151 officers from each of the participating authorities, to oversee the implementation and ongoing monitoring of the Section 101 Agreement; and</i> 	<p>Finance and Change</p>

	<p>6) <i>Delegate the completion of the Section 101 Agreement to the Finance Director, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Change.</i></p>	
8	<p>LIABILITY INSURANCE AND LIABILITY CLAIMS HANDLING TENDER AND BROKERAGE SERVICES</p> <p>Cllr Ray Theodoulou, Cabinet Member for Finance and Change, sought approval to tender for the council's liability insurance contract and liability claims handling service with effect from 24 June 2015 for 3 years, with the option to extend for a further 2 years.</p> <p>CABINET RESOLVED to authorise that: -</p> <p>a) <i>The Director of Strategic Finance conduct a legally compliant competitive procurement process through the Crown Commercial Service's Insurance Framework (RM958) for the supply of a Liability Insurance and Liability Claims Handling Service; and for the Director of Strategic Finance, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Change, to award the contract to commence on 24 June 2015 and continue for a period of 3 years; or 3 years with the option to extend for a further 2 years if more cost efficient, in accordance with the terms of the tender process; and that</i></p> <p>b) <i>The Director of Strategic Finance make a legally compliant direct award of a contract for brokerage services to the incumbent supplier of such services (namely " Marsh Limited") through the Crown Commercial Service's (CCS) RM958 framework, specifically to assist in the procurement of the contract for Public Liability Insurance and Liability Claims Handling described in paragraph (a) above, such contract to commence on 20 February 2015 for a period of 3 years and 4 months; or 3 years and 4 months with the option to extend for a further 2 years.</i></p>	Finance and Change
9	<p>PROCUREMENT OF STRATEGIC INFRASTRUCTURE CONSULTANCY SERVICES</p> <p>Cllr Will Windsor-Clive, Cabinet Member for Fire, Planning and Infrastructure to authorise the Commissioning Director: Communities & Infrastructure to agree the Eastern Shires Purchasing Organisation Framework Contract 664 for the procurement of Strategic Infrastructure Consultancy Services. Having considered all of the information, including known proposals and reasons for recommendations,</p> <p>CABINET RESOLVED to: -</p> <p><i>Authorise the Commissioning Director: Communities and Infrastructure to enter into an agreement to enable use of the Eastern Shires Purchasing Organisation Consultancy Services Framework Contract 664 for the procurement of Strategic Infrastructure Consultancy Services for the period up to 23 January 2017.</i></p>	Fire, Planning and Infrastructure

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GLOUCESTERSHIRE INDUSTRIAL SERVICES (GIS) HEALTHCARE DELEGATION AGREEMENT AND PROCUREMENT ARRANGEMENTS

Long Term Care

Cllr Kathy Williams, Cabinet Member for Long Term Care, sought approval to authorise the Commissioning Director (Adults and DASS) to enter into an agreement for the procurement of community medical equipment and aids, and to tender for the award of a contract for the maintenance, servicing and repair of community medical equipment and aids.

Having considered all of the information, including known proposals and reasons for recommendations,

CABINET RESOLVED to: -

- 1) *Approve the financial and business case set out in this report for the delegation of functions to the London Borough of Croydon;*
- 2) *Delegate authority for the purchase of selected items of community medical equipment and aids to the London Borough of Croydon - in accordance with Sections 101 and 102 of the Local Government Act 1972, and the Local Authorities (Arrangement for the Discharge of Functions)(England) (Amendment) Regulations 2001 made under Section 20 of the Local Government Act 2000;*
- 3) *Delegate to the Director of Strategic Finance, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Change and the Head of Legal Services, authority to finalise the delegation agreement with the London Borough of Croydon for the functions identified in Recommendation 2 above;*
- 4) *Authorise the Commissioning Director: Adults (& DASS) to:*
 - a) *Conduct a compliant, competitive tender process for the award of a contract or contracts for the provision of servicing, maintenance and repair services to community medical equipment and aids with an estimated value of £1.2m over four years and,*
 - b) *Upon conclusion of the competitive tender process, to enter into a contract with the preferred provider or providers who are evaluated as offering the Council best value for money for delivery of the services. In the event that a preferred provider for the contract is either unable or unwilling to enter into that contract with the Council then the Commissioning Director Adults (& DASS) is authorised to enter into such contract with the next willing highest placed suitably qualified provider.*

<p>11</p>	<p>CHELTENHAM TRANSPORTATION PLAN - RECOMMENDATIONS FROM TRAFFIC REGULATION COMMITTEE</p> <p>Leader of the Council, Cllr Mark Hawthorne, proposed that the decision on the Cheltenham Transportation Plan be deferred so that officers can undertake more work on addressing the concerns raised at this and the Cheltenham Borough Council meeting on 26 January 2015.</p> <p>CABINET RESOLVED to:-</p> <p><i>Defer the decision until further notice.</i></p>	<p>Highways and Flood</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>PROCUREMENT OF AN ELECTRONIC SOLUTION TO ENABLE GLOUCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL TO MEET THE LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CARE ACT 2014</p> <p>Cllr Dorcas Binns, Cabinet Member for Older People, sought Cabinet approval to proceed with the procurement and award, (via the Crown Commercial Service Framework), of an electronic solution for Adult Social Care that enables Gloucestershire County Council to fully meet the legislative requirements of the Care Act 2014.</p> <p>Having considered all of the information, including known proposals and reasons for recommendations,</p> <p>CABINET RESOLVED to: -</p> <p><i>Authorise the Commissioning Director (Adults & DASS) to:</i></p> <p>1 <i>a) Conduct an EU compliant competitive tender process for the procurement of a finance module to be used in conjunction with the Council's ERIC system to enable the Council to meet the finance requirements of the Care Act 2014;</i></p> <p> <i>b) Upon conclusion of the competitive tender process to enter into a contract with the preferred provider evaluated as offering the Council best value for money. In the event that the preferred provider for the contract is either unable or unwilling to enter into that contract with the Council, then the Commissioning Director (Adults and DASS) is authorised to enter into such a contract with the next willing highest placed suitably qualified provider and;</i></p> <p>2 <i>a) Conduct an EU compliant competitive tender process for the maintenance and support of the finance module referred to in recommendation 1 a) for the term of 5 years (3 years with an option to extend for a further 2 years);</i></p> <p> <i>b) Upon conclusion of the competitive tender process to enter into a contract with the preferred provider evaluated as offering the Council best value for money. In the event that the preferred provider for the contract is either unable or unwilling to enter into that contract with the Council, then the Commissioning Director</i></p>	<p>Older People</p>

	<i>(Adults and DASS) is authorised to enter into such contract with the next willing highest placed suitably qualified provider.</i>	
13	<p>FINANCIAL MONITORING REPORT 2014/15</p> <p>Councillor Ray Theodoulou, Cabinet Member for Finance and Change, gave an update on the council's key financial issues, including an overview of the year end forecast for the 2014/15 Revenue and Capital Budgets.</p> <p>Having considered all of the information, including known proposals, reasons for the recommendations, and changes to the capital programme,</p> <p>CABINET: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) <i>Noted the forecast revenue year end position, (as at the end of November 2014), for the 2014/15 financial year of a £0.71 million over-spend and the mitigating actions being taken.</i> b) <i>Noted the forecast capital year end position for 2014/15 of a £0.72 million under-spend.</i> c) <i>Agreed the transfer of £0.71 million to the Capital Fund from the Flood Risk Management revenue budget, which will be used to finance new capital schemes in the 2015/16 capital programme.</i> d) <i>Agreed the transfer of £0.14 million to the 2014/15 capital programme for the purchase of street lighting columns, funded from a revenue contribution from the Street Lighting revenue budget.</i> 	Finance and Change
14	<p>SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED DISPOSALS</p> <p>Councillor Ray Theodoulou, Cabinet Member for Finance and Change, sought to approve the Schedule of Disposals that had been put forward to deliver the council's 'Meeting the Challenge' targets.</p> <p>In line with the Policy for the Disposal of Property, and having considered all of the information, including known proposals and reasons for the recommendations,</p> <p>CABINET RESOLVED to: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) <i>Confirm that those sites described at Appendix A (Exempt), which had previously been declared surplus by Cabinet in October 2014, and had not yet been disposed of, continue to be declared surplus to requirements, and</i> 2) <i>Declare that the sites listed on the proposed Schedule of Disposals at Appendix B (Exempt) are surplus to the Council's land and property requirements and,</i> 	Finance and Change

	<p><i>In relation to both these schedules, delegated authority to the Property Strategy Lead to dispose of these sites in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Change.</i></p> <p>Members were made aware that, should Cabinet wish to discuss the contents of the exempt information to the report, consideration would have to be given as to whether the press and public should be excluded from the meeting in accordance with Regulation 4(2)(b) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012. No exempt information was considered at the meeting.</p>	
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The above decisions are due to come into force on **Friday 13 February 2015**

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