

CABINET

2 August 2022

**REDCAR & CLEVELAND BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**Decision record**

**Decision-making body:** Cabinet

**Location:** Civic Centre, Ridley Street, Redcar

**Date:** 2 August 2022

<b>Present</b>	Councillor Lanigan (Chair) Councillors Barnes, Foggo, Gallacher, Hunt, Kay, G Nightingale, Ovens and Westbury.
<b>Officials</b>	V McLeod, S Newton, J Sampson, P Rice, C Styles, and P Winstanley.
<b>In attendance</b>	Councillors Clarke, Head, Massey, V Smith and Thomson.  Officials: D Boville.
<b>Minutes</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes of the meeting held on 21 June 2022 be confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.
<b>Declarations of interest</b>	None

These minutes were published on 4 August 2022  
by the Governance Director

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**Item/report:** 8. Early Termination of Admin Buildings PFI Contract

**Reporting source:** Managing Director (Head of Paid Service)

**Record of decision:** **RESOLVED** that Cabinet:

1. Approved the notice on the Administration Building PFI contract in August 2022, as described in and supported by the business case at Appendix 2.
2. Accepted the financial support allocation from the Government, as set out in Appendix 1, toward the voluntary termination costs estimated at paragraph 5.2 of Appendix 2, with the remainder to be funded from Council reserves (the final amount subject to negotiation of the final termination costs and other factors described in Appendix 2).
3. Noted the assessment of risks and proposed mitigations set out in paragraph 4.9 of Appendix 2.
4. Delegated to the Section 151 Officer, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Resources (and working with external advisors), to serve notice and negotiate a value-for-money termination of the contract.
5. Delegated to the Managing Director, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Resources, the immediate marketing of Belmont House for sale or lease.

**Reason for the decision:** Early termination of the PFI contract would support the Council's New Ways of Working Policy and allow more scope to rationalise the surplus office accommodation currently held by the Council. This would also directly support other key Council strategies including the Asset Strategy, Medium Term Financial Strategy and Climate Strategy.

**Assessment of options:** The options considered were do nothing versus early termination of the Administration Buildings PFI contract on the basis set out in the report. Early termination enhanced value form money and directly supported the delivery of key Council strategies.

**Declared conflicts of interest:** None

**Date and time by which call-in must be exercised:** Midnight on Thursday 11 August 2022

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<b>Item/report:</b>	<b>9. Local Implementation Plan for Transport</b>
<b>Reporting source:</b>	Corporate Director for Adults & Communities
<b>Record of decision:</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that Cabinet approved the Local Implementation Plan.
<b>Reason for the decision:</b>	The Local Implementation Plan (LIP) covered capital investment in transport within the Borough up to 2030 and would form a part of the Tees Valley Strategic Transport Plan (STP). The LIP set out the Council's proposals for schemes that were of more local importance, complementing the investment plans prepared by the Tees Valley Combined Authority who were the acting Transport Authority for the Borough.
<b>Assessment of options:</b>	The LIP contained programmes and schemes that met travel needs identified by the evidence that were not met by actions elsewhere in the STP and that could be classed as capital expenditure. Therefore, in some cases there was only one option at this early stage in the development of the proposal. However, where outline designs had been prepared, then an options appraisal had been undertaken to identify which solution was the most effective to achieve the objectives and forecast funding. Optioneering would also be applied to the delivery of the proposals to ensure the best value was achieved.
<b>Declared conflicts of interest:</b>	None
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**Item/report:** 10. Senior Structure & Revised Scrutiny Arrangements

**Reporting source:** Managing Director (Head of Paid Service)

**Record of decision:** **RESOLVED** that Cabinet:

- a) Approved the Managing Director's senior structure proposals, which had been modelled to achieve a balance between affordability and prioritisation of service delivery for the Borough.
- b) Noted the senior recruitment process had been launched for the immediate recruitment for the existing but vacant post of Executive Director for Growth, Enterprise and Environment, which would give a focal point to our key future drivers of climate and major investment into the Borough.
- c) Recommended to the Borough Council that it:
  - a. Noted the revised structure and approved the implementation of the re-evaluated Finance Director Grade;
  - b. Approved that the current Scrutiny and Improvement Committee arrangements were revised and that the following committees were constituted and take their place, with effect from the September of the 2022/23 civic year with the remits as set out within section 5.0 and Appendix 1 of this report:
    - Adults, Wellbeing & Health;
    - Children & Families;
    - Corporate Resources & Governance;
    - Climate & the Environment (including Neighbourhoods & Culture);
    - Growth;
  - c. Authorised the Monitoring Officer to amend the constitution accordingly.

**Reason for the decision:**

The revised senior management structure aimed to provide capacity and robustness in terms of service delivery and to meet the challenges the Council now faced as the Council emerged from the Covid 19 pandemic.

The re-alignment of the Council's Scrutiny and Improvement Committee arrangements were designed to achieve a more balanced split of work across Committees and enable a stronger focus on climate change, the environment and major developments from TVCA, Teesworks and the Freeport.

Following recommendations from both the Resources and Growth, Enterprise & Environment Scrutiny and Improvement Committees, the

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Cabinet amended the title of the proposed name of the Growth & Teesworks (including the Freeport) Scrutiny & Improvement Committee to the Growth Scrutiny & Improvement Committee, with reference to the Tees Valley Combined Authority, Teesworks & the Freeport to be included within the Committee's remit.

**Assessment of options:**

In developing proposals for the senior management structure, consideration had been given to each of the directorates and the strategic issues now facing them individually. The report included an assessment of both the current position and future needs for the medium term.

**Declared conflict of interests:**

None

**Date and time by which call-in must be exercised:**

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<b>Item/report:</b>	<b>11. Corporate Plan Implementation Plan – Quarter 1 2022/23 Progress Report</b>
<b>Reporting source:</b>	Managing Director (Head of Paid Service)
<b>Record of decision:</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that Cabinet noted the progress made as outlined in the report.
<b>Reason for the decision:</b>	The Corporate Plan Implementation Plan was made up of an ambitious set of actions that would help the Council make progress on improving quality of life across the Borough.
<b>Assessment of options:</b>	Once the actions had been agreed by the Cabinet, the focus had been on only one option, delivering the actions.
<b>Declared conflicts of interest:</b>	None
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<b>Item/report:</b>	<b>12. Fostering Service Statement of Purpose and Annual Fostering Report 2021/22</b>
<b>Reporting source:</b>	Corporate Director for Children & Families
<b>Record of decision:</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the Statement of Purpose and the service activities for the year 2021/22 within the Annual Report be noted.
<b>Reason for the decision:</b>	The Statement of Purpose for the Fostering Service sets out the aims, objectives, structure and service arrangements and how these would be met, in partnership with Foster Carers, children and young people and their families, and other services and agencies.
<b>Assessment of options:</b>	It is a statutory requirement for the Fostering Service to produce a Statement of Purpose and an Annual Report.
<b>Declared conflicts of interest:</b>	None
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<b>Item/report:</b>	<b>13. Annual Safeguarding Adults Report 2021/22</b>
<b>Reporting source:</b>	Corporate Director for Adults and Communities
<b>Record of decision:</b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that Cabinet noted the content of the report and endorsed the continued work of the Adult Care service in meeting the Council's statutory safeguarding duty and delivering preventative services too safeguard adults in the Borough.
<b>Reason for the decision:</b>	The report provided an overview of safeguarding activity undertaken by the Redcar & Cleveland Adult Care service.
<b>Assessment of options:</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Declared conflicts of interest:</b>	None
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**Item/report: 14. Information Items**

**RESOLVED** that the following items be approved and noted where necessary:

**Delegated decisions:**

- Adults and Communities Directorate
- Children and Families Directorate
- Resources and Growth Directorate

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