

9 July 2015

5. REPORTS OF CABINET

(b) SUMMARY OF DECISIONS TAKEN

FutureFit: Commissioning of Learning and Achievement

1. The Cabinet has considered the Commissioning of Learning and Achievement Services and noted that the Council retains responsibility for outcomes for children and young people in Worcestershire's schools and settings.
2. The Cabinet approved the recommendation to appoint Babcock as the preferred supplier of those Learning and Achievement services for Worcestershire agreed to be in scope by Cabinet on 10 April 2014 (other than in relation to Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) provision), subject to the Director of Children's Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Children and Families, finalising the terms after having conducted satisfactory contract discussions and due diligence.
3. The Cabinet has authorised the Director of Children's Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Children and Families, to decide whether, and if so when, to contract with Babcock for SEND provision, and to take all necessary action in relation to any such decision.

Update on Commissioning of Adult Social Care Services

4. The Cabinet has considered an update on the commissioning of Adult Social Care Services and noted the progress made on plans to commission adult social care services currently provided by the Council as agreed by Cabinet in July 2014.
5. Given the broad range of services in scope, it was felt that a prescriptive approach to commissioning for all services en bloc would not be workable. The Cabinet approved that the final decision for each service is delegated to the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Adult Social Care in consultation with the Director of Adult Services and Health.

Resources Report (21 May 2015)

6. The May Resources report set out the provisional financial results for the year ending 31 March 2015 (including a capital investment and Pension Fund update); an insurance update; proposed earmarked reserves, new investments and general balances; redeployment within the capital programme – Timberdine Nursing and Rehabilitation Unit; FutureFit Programme update; and borrowing and lending transactions 2014/15.

7. The Cabinet has endorsed the conclusions of the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Finance concerning financial performance for the year ending 31 March 2015. The statutory accounts will be finalised on this basis. Earmarked reserves and general balances have been updated. An increase of £140,000 to the previously approved estimate of £620,000 for creating additional capacity at Timberdine Nursing and Rehabilitation Unit has been approved. This additional sum will be redeployed (vired) from the Social Care Reform Capital pot within the Capital Programme. The current progress and successes regarding the FutureFit programme have been endorsed. A report on borrowing and lending transactions during 2014/15 has been accepted.

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Background Papers

In the opinion of the proper officer (in this case the Head of Legal and Democratic Services) the following are the background papers relating to the subject matter of this item:

Agenda and background papers for the meetings of the Cabinet held on 21 May and 18 June 2015.