East Lindsey District Council

Agenda No. 5

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Decision Notice From: **Executive Board**

Date: 20 September 2023

Title: INVESTMENT IN ACCOMMODATION TO MEET

HOUSING NEEDS ACROSS EAST LINDSEY:

Wards Affected: All Wards

Key Decision: Yes Implementation Date: 2 October 2023

Urgent Decision: No

DECISION:

- 1. That agreement be given by Executive Board to formally take part in the Local Authority Housing Fund Round 2 programme, with a view to bringing nine properties into the council's ownership to meet short, medium and long-term housing needs within the district;
- 2. That in order to further support the council's ability to support those experiencing homelessness, Council be recommended to amend the 2023/24 capital programme to set aside a further £1m in funding to provide additional council-owned temporary accommodation within the district;
- 3. That Council be recommended to amend the 2023/24 capital programme, as set out in Appendix A, to reflect the LAHF project and the additional temporary accommodation funding;
- 4. That in light of the proposed housing investments, coupled with the direction of government policy, agreement be given by Executive Board to formally agrees to the local authority registering as a 'Registered Provider' of housing with the Regulator of Social Housing;
- 5. That delegation be granted to the Assistant Director Strategic Growth and Development, in conjunction with the Portfolio Holder for Communities and Better Ageing, the authority to conclude contractual and grant agreement arrangements with Government in respect of the scheme.

Reason for the Decision:

To accept an offer of up to £936,000 in government funding to support in making nine properties available to meet short, medium and long term housing needs within the district. To recommend to Council the inclusion of match funds in the 2023/24 capital budget to deliver the Local Authority Housing Fund project, alongside a recommendation to set aside a further £1m in funds to support with wider temporary accommodation investment. To delegate authority to officers to conclude contractual agreements with government in respect of the LAHF scheme.

Alternative options considered:

Do nothing – Under this option, the council will not accept the LAHF funds from government, nor to seek to create the financial capacity to invest in further temporary accommodation to meet the needs of those experiencing homelessness. Therefore, under the 'do nothing' option, the potential benefits referenced in this report will not be realised.

Conflict of interest declared:

None.

Dispensations granted in respect of a conflict of interest:

N/A

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Agenda No. 6

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Decision Notice From: **Executive Board**

Date: 20 September 2023

Title: 2023-2024 QUARTER ONE FINANCE UPDATE:

Wards Affected:

Key Decision: No Implementation Date: 2 October 2023

Urgent Decision: No

DECISION:

1. That the current forecast unbudgeted surplus of £1.525m and the detail set out in Appendix A to the report be noted;

2. That Full Council be recommended to amend the Capital Programme to take into account the changes set out in this report at Appendix A – Table 4 which includes slippage, additions and changes to the previously reported programme.

Reason for the Decision:

To ensure the Council's forecast financial position for 2023/24 is considered and related decisions approved. It is important that the Executive are aware of the financial position of the General Fund to ensure that they can make informed decisions that are affordable and financially sustainable for the Council.

Alternative options considered:

To not approve the financial movements outlined.

Conflict of interest declared:

None.

Dispensations granted in respect of a conflict of interest:

N/A

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Agenda No. 7

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Decision Notice From: **Executive Board**

Date: 20 September 2023

Title: **PERFORMANCE AND GOVERNANCE**

FRAMEWORK - QUARTER 1 MONITORING

REPORT 2023/24:

Wards Affected: All Wards

Key Decision: No Implementation Date: 2 October 2023

Urgent Decision: No

DECISION:			
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That the performance and risk information contained within the Quarter 1 Monitoring Report 2023/24 be noted.

Reason for the Decision:

To monitor delivery of performance and governance objectives and to support future planning and decision making within the Council.

Alternative options considered:

Alternative reporting arrangements.

Conflict of interest declared:

None.

Dispensations granted in respect of a conflict of interest:

N/A

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Agenda No. 8

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Decision Notice From: **Executive Board**

Date: 20 September 2023

Title: LOCAL COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT SCHEME

(CONSULTATION) 2024/25:

Wards Affected: All Wards

Key Decision: No Implementation Date: 2 October 2023

Urgent Decision: No

DECISION:

That consultation on continuation of the current Council Tax Support scheme, including uprating in line with DWP's annual update of allowances and premiums for 2024/25 be approved.

Reason for the Decision:

This will continue to align the CTS scheme and uprating for working age customers with DWP provisions for Housing Benefit and the CTS scheme for

pensioners. This has been consistent each year since the introduction of the local scheme.

Alternative options considered:

The 'do nothing' option was considered, which would see the current scheme retained without uprating.

Conflict of interest declared:

None.

Dispensations granted in respect of a conflict of interest:

N/A

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Agenda No. 9

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Decision Notice From: **Executive Board**

Date: 20 September 2023

Title: PARTNERSHIP COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY:

Wards Affected:

Key Decision: No Implementation Date: 2 October 2023

Urgent Decision: No

DECISION:

- 1. That the Partnership Communications Strategy at Appendix A be approved;
- 2. That the feedback from scrutiny committees at 2.6 be noted.

Reason for the Decision:

To provide an aligned and consistent approach to Partnership communications with internal and external audiences.

Alternative options considered:

Do nothing – this is possible, but it wouldn't support the aspirations of the Partnership to align functions or support the Partnership in delivering a consistent and co-ordinated approach to communications.

Conflict o	f interest	declared:
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None.

Dispensations granted in respect of a conflict of interest:

N/A

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Agenda No. 10

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Decision Notice From: **Executive Board**

Date: 20 September 2023

Title: SKEGNESS FORESHORE - TOWNS FUND

PROJECT UPDATE:

Wards Affected: Skegness Scarbrough & Seacroft; Skegness St

Clements; Skegness Winthorpe

Key Decision: Yes Implementation Date: 2 October 2023

Urgent Decision: No

DECISION:

That the recommendations within the Exempt Report be approved.

Reason for the Decision:

As per the Exempt report.

Alternative options considered:

As per the Exempt report.

Conflict of interest declared:

None.

Dispensations granted in respect of a conflict of interest:

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Decision Notice From:

Date: Title:

Wards Affected: Key Decision:

Implementation Date:

Urgent Decision:

DECISION:

Reason for the Decision:

Alternative options considered:

Conflict of interest declared:

None.

Dispensations granted in respect of a conflict of interest:

N/A