

Finance Sub-Committee

21 March 2018

Present: Councillor A McMullen (Chair)
Councillors D Cox, N Craven, and F Weetman

F49/03/18 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs J O'Shea and K Lee

F50/03/18 Substitute Members

There were no substitute members.

F51/03/18 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

There were no declarations of interest or dispensations reported for this meeting.

F52/03/18 Minutes

Resolved that the Minutes of the meeting held on 21 February 2018 be confirmed and signed by the Chair.

F53/03/18 Household Waste Recycling Centre

The Council received information on the changes introduced in relation to the disposal of waste at the Household Waste Recycling Centre and in line with the business case towards a savings/income target of £0.200m.

It was noted that the changes involved three elements:

1. On 1 July 2017 restrictions were introduced to inhibit access by high sided vehicles. This was partly on health and safety grounds and also in response to restrictions introduced by other local authorities;
2. In February 2018 a permit system was introduced to regulate smaller vehicles such as vans and cars with trailers for the disposal of household waste by residents of the borough;
3. In February 2018, charges were introduced for the disposal of non-household waste by residents of the borough.

The impact of these changes is being monitored. To date, the introduction of restrictions on high sided vehicles has resulted in a significant reduction in the amount of waste coming onto the site. This has been reducing each month since the introduction of the charges. The impact of the further changes in February 2018 are not yet evident but will be monitored over time.

It is forecast that the £200k savings identified in the business case linked to these changes will be achieved.

The Members thanked officers for this report.

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F54/03/18 2017/18 Financial Management Report to 31 January 2018

The Sub-committee considered the fifth monitoring report on the 2017/18 financial position.

It was noted that the forecast overall outturn position is an estimated surplus of £0.628m; an improvement of over £0.342m since the last report to Cabinet. The forecast includes a £0.250m dividend from the Kier Joint Venture which is proposed to be set aside to fund project costs of bringing the Joint Venture back in house.

It was noted that there has been some marginal underlying improvement in most areas of the risks associated with the delivery of the 2017/18 budget. However, there is continued pressure in Health, Education, Care and Safeguarding (HECS) of £3.422m after the allocation of the Improved Better Care Fund. Included in this projection is £2.475m of pressures in Corporate Parenting and Placements.

It was **AGREED** that the report be noted.

F55/03/18 Exclusion Resolution

Resolved that under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) and having applied a public interest test as defined in Part 3 of Schedule 12A of the Act, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

F56/03/18 Business and Technical Partnership Risks

The Sub-committee considered the report which set out the latest monitoring update on risks which are rated high within the Strategic and Operational Risk Registers of the Business and Technical Partnerships with Engie and Capita.

Members raised a question about where risks related to the work to bring the joint venture with Kier back in-house. It was noted that this would be part of the project risk register.

It was **AGREED** that the report be noted.

Signed by: _____

Date: _____

Cllr A McMullen, Chair of the Finance Sub-committee