



Record of decision

THE FOLLOWING DECISIONS WERE TAKEN ON THURSDAY, 12 JULY 2018 BY THE CABINET

THE CALL IN PERIOD FOR THESE DECISIONS EXPIRES AT 5.00 PM ON MONDAY, 23 JULY 2018

Members of the Cabinet who were present

Cllrs Dave Stewart (Chairman), Barry Abraham, Paul Brading, John Hobart, Stuart Hutchinson, Clare Mosdell, Michael Murwill, Tig Outlaw, Ian Ward and Wayne Whittle

Members also present (non-voting)

Cllrs Debbie Andre, Julia Baker-Smith, Andrew Garratt and Steve Hastings

Confirmed as a true record of decisions taken

Leader of the Council

Agenda item	<u>Minutes of the Last Meeting</u>
Decision reference	07 (18/19)
Decision Taken	That the minutes of the meeting held on <u>14 June 2018</u> be agreed.
Questions / Amendments	None.

Agenda item	<u>Declarations of Interest</u>
Decision reference	08 (18/19)
	None declared.

Agenda item	<u>Public Question Time</u>
Decision reference	09 (18/19)
Questions	Ms Tanja Rebel of Cowes and Ms C Ryan-Sammon of Wroxall both submitted the same written question around the use of LED Lighting as part of the Highways PFI Contract.

	<p>The Cabinet Member for Transport and Infrastructure provided a written response. (PQ 18/18 and PQ 19/18).</p> <p>Ms Rebel asked a supplemental question asking that should there be any definitive proven evidence against the use of Blue Rich White (LED) Light, would the PFI Contract with Island Roads be changed accordingly to comply with any new regulations.</p> <p>The Cabinet Member stated that he had provided the answer to this in the submitted written question.</p> <p>It was noted that the next person to put a question to the Cabinet was a minor, under the age of 18 and as such the presence of his guardian at the meeting was established.</p> <p>Mr Cayden Francis of Whippingham submitted a written question on the subject of children’s dental treatment.</p> <p>The Cabinet Member for Children’s Services provided a written response (PQ 20/18).</p> <p>Mr Francis asked a supplemental question on whether any of the Cabinet had suffered from toothache and the Cabinet Member said that he had on many occasions.</p>
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Agenda item	Chairman’s Announcements
Decision reference	10 (18/19)
	The Leader of the Council advised that his Annual Report would be presented at the next meeting of Full Council on 18 July 2018.

Agenda item	Highways PFI Savings Arrangements
Decision reference	11 (18/19)
Summary of Discussion	<p>The Cabinet Member for Infrastructure and Transport presented a report which proposed Interim arrangements for the delivery of a savings programme as well as seeking approval to seek the commencement of a European Union (EU) regulation and Contract Standing Order (CSO) compliant procurement process for support to deliver the savings programme on a longer term basis.</p> <p>It was noted that the purpose of the proposals was not to criticise the contract as it had delivered a good quality programme of works since its inception, but to explore the potential for achieving significant savings.</p>

	<p>Cabinet agreed to the recommendation from the Scrutiny Committee that the Policy and Scrutiny Committee for Regeneration, Housing, Planning and the Environment be requested to include an item in its workplan on monitoring the proposed Highway PFI savings arising from commissioned expert consultancy work.</p> <p>All other matters being considered by the Cabinet were also discussed by the Scrutiny Committee at its meeting on 10 July 2018 and the outcomes were circulated to cabinet members. (LINK HERE)</p>
Issues raised by other members	<p>The issues of some of failings and omissions from the original contract as well as the initial recommendation of re-financing the PFI made by the previous administration were raised.</p> <p>The Leader of the Council advised that with regard to re-financing, this was being addressed with the current proposals and that the existing administration was satisfied that they were the correct way forward in trying to achieve savings and value for money.</p> <p>With regard to any impact on residents and services, the Leader advised that this was not known at the current time. It was also clarified that Cabinet would be agreeing to the £70,000 required for the interim arrangements. The second recommendation being put forward would be subject to a full and proper internal tendering exercise.</p>
Decision taken	<p>I. THAT the interim appointment of Jasmine Consulting (UK) Limited to commence work on the savings programme be confirmed and agreed.</p> <p>II. THAT the commencement of an EU regulation and CSO compliant procurement process for support to deliver the savings programme be agreed.</p>
Reason for the decision and corporate objective it aligns with	<p>Transport connectivity is a key outcome for the Council's Corporate Plan. Ensuring accessibility both on Island and to and from the mainland is crucial to realising the council's plans for regeneration and growth. The Highways Improvement Partnership ensures that the Island's roads are maintained, improved and enhanced.</p>
Options considered and rejected	<p>Option 3 - Not to undertake an EU regulation and CSO procurement process for support to deliver the savings programme.</p>
Declarations of Interests	<p>None declared</p>

Agenda item	<u>Regional Adoption Agency</u>
Decision reference	12 (18/19)
Summary of Discussion	<p>The Cabinet Member For Children’s Services presented a report which proposed a model for the future delivery of some adoption related services as a Regional Adoption Agency (RAA) comprising of Hampshire County Council, the Isle of Wight Council, Portsmouth City Council and Southampton City Council.</p> <p>This proposal, if agreed, would be in line with government policy and would ultimately support an increase in family funding for children.</p>
Issues raised by other members	No issues were raised by other members.
Decision taken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. THAT the proposed model for delivery of adoption services as a Regional Adoption Agency be agreed. ii. THAT the financial contribution to the Regional Adoption Agency of £228,000, to be fixed for two years (2019/20 and 2020/21) and reviewed for 2021/22, be agreed. iii. THAT the delegation of authority to enter into the final partnership agreement to the Director of Children's Services in consultation with the Lead Member for Children's Services be agreed.
Reason for the decision and corporate objective it aligns with	<p>To contribute to the Isle of Wight Corporate Plan 2017-20 as it relates directly to the measure that “all young people will have the best start in life so that they can fill their potential” and supports a core value of “engaging with partners to maximise integrated working.</p> <p>To ensure that there are sufficient, high quality adoptive households for children with plans for adoption on the Island ensuring that they are kept safe and supported to achieve the best possible longer term outcomes.</p> <p>To expand the range of services and adopters available to Island children and provide efficiencies to the Council through economies of scale in the joining of four local authorities.</p>
Options considered and rejected	Option 4 - Not approve the proposed model of delivery for a Regional Adoption Agency.
Declarations of Interests	None declared

Agenda item	<u>Consideration of the Forward Plan</u>
Decision reference	13 (18/19)
Amendments / Additions / Removals	<p>Members reviewed the current published Forward Plan and all items listed were on schedule.</p> <p>It was also noted that Item No 4426/18, Review of Beach Huts would be rescheduled to later in the year in order for the Cabinet Member for Resources to revise the paper with officers.</p>
Declarations of Interests	None declared

Agenda item	<u>Members' Question Time</u>
Decision reference	14 (18/19)
Questions	There were no questions received.