Decisions taken by the Cabinet On 1 December 2021



Notice dated: 01 December 2021

Issued to the Chairman, members of the Scrutiny Committee and other Councillors for information.

Key decisions will be implemented after the expiry of 5 working days from the date of this notice unless "called-in" under the provisions of the council's scrutiny procedure rules (see end of document for call-in procedure) or implemented sooner by reason of urgency.

Please refer to the relevant cabinet agenda and reports when reading this notice. The minutes of the meeting of the cabinet containing a full record of the proceedings will be published in due course. To view on-line follow this link to the relevant pages on the Council's website: https://democracy.lewes-eastbourne.gov.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=125

Item No	Matter:	Decision:	Reasons for Decision:
6	Council tax and business rate base 2022/23	 (Key decision): (1) To agree the provisional Council Tax Base of 34,754.0 for 2022/23. (2) To agree that the Chief Finance Officer, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Finance, determine the final amounts for the Council Tax Base for 2022/23. (3) To agree that the Chief Finance Officer, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Finance, determine net yield from Business Rate income for 2022/23. 	Cabinet is required to approve the Tax Base which will be used for the purposes of calculating the 2022/23 Council Tax.

7	Local Council Tax Reduction scheme 2022/23	Recommended to Full Council (Budget and policy framework): (1) To recommend to Full Council that the 2021/22 Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme is adopted as the 2022/23 scheme. (2) That the Exceptional Hardship Scheme is continued in 2022/23.	The 2022/23 scheme meets the principles of supporting the most vulnerable with the Exceptional Hardship Scheme providing an extra level of support for those most affected.
8	Corporate performance - quarter 2 - 2021/22	 (Non-key decision): (1) To note the achievements and progress against Corporate Plan priorities for 2021-22, as set out in Part A of this report. (2) To note the General Fund, HRA and Collection Fund financial performance for the quarter, as set out in Part B of the report. 	To enable Cabinet members to consider specific aspects of the Council's progress and performance.
9	Levelling Up Fund	 (Key decision): (1) To note the successful bid to the Levelling Up Fund, which has secured £19,847,287 towards the regeneration of Eastbourne. (2) To approve an allocation of up to £19.9m in the General Fund Capital Programme, to be financed in full by the grant funding secured as per the recommendation above. (3) To authorise the Director of Regeneration and Planning to enter into the Funding Agreement that will set out the 	 (1) A funding offer of £19,847,287 for Eastbourne was announced on 27 October. (2) There is a need to move at pace since the Levelling Up Fund award must be spent by March 2024 in line with Government guidance. (3) To enable Officers to deliver in an effective and timely manner, the necessary delegations to Lead Members and Executive Officers are

commercial terms associated with the grant award, including use, access, and ongoing monitoring. (4) To authorise the Director of Regeneration and Planning, in consultation with the Chief Finance Officer, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Finance, in conjunction with any Project Oversight Board, to carry out all necessary actions to facilitate the recommendations and deliver the programme of works, including feasibility, financing, appointment of professional services, development, contract award(s), lettings, and determining the terms of, and authorising the execution of, all necessary documentation, in accordance with the funding parameters.	
(5) To agree that clear streamlined and transparent governance arrangements for Levelling up Funds would be circulated at the earliest opportunity to all Council members and key stakeholders, whilst retaining any commercial sensitivities.	

Call-in procedure

Call-in is the procedure whereby a decision of the Cabinet, the Leader or a portfolio holder, or a member or officer with delegated authority (an executive decision), taken but not implemented, may be examined by the Scrutiny Committee prior to implementation.

In order to ensure that call-in is not abused, nor causes unreasonable delay, certain limitations are to be placed on its use. These are:

- (a) Only decisions involving new operational policies or strategic initiatives, unbudgeted expenditure or reductions in service may be called in.
- (b) A recommendation of the Executive to the Full Council is not a decision that may be called-in.

- (c) A minimum of three members of the Scrutiny Committee from at least two political groups must request that a decision be called in.
- (d) Substitute members of the Scrutiny Committee shall not be entitled to call-in decisions except when the call-in request is made at a meeting of the Committee and when the substitute member is taking the place of another member in accordance with Rule 4.4 of the Council Procedure Rules; and
- (e) Written notice of a request to call-in a decision shall be given to the Chief Executive and the notice shall be signed by the Councillors making the request.

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