

## Minutes of a meeting of the Executive held on Tuesday, 6 June 2023 in the Council Chamber - City Hall, Bradford

Commenced 10.30 am  
Concluded 11.00 am

### Members of the Executive – Councillors

<b>LABOUR</b>
Hinchcliffe (Chair)
I Khan
Ross-Shaw
Ferriby
Jabar
Duffy

Observers: Councillors Fricker, Pollard and Poulsen

### Councillor Hinchcliffe In the Chair

#### 1. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

No disclosures of interest in matters under discussion were made.

#### 2. CHAIR'S OPENING REMARKS

The Leader stated this was the first meeting of the Executive for the 2023/2024 Municipal Year, at a time of great change and challenge for the Council and the district. To this end it was imperative to continue with our regeneration ambitions for the district and realise our growth potential and ensure that the people of this district are given the opportunities to access training, job opportunities and live healthy fulfilling lives. The Council will continue its work to deliver 1 City Park, Bradford Live, the new market; Keighley hub; City of Culture 2025 and other projects for the benefit of the whole district. Despite the budgetary pressures, the Council had continued to deliver key services and Government needed to ensure that they gave us the necessary support and resources to continue this, particularly in the area of Adult and Children's Social Care.

#### 3. MINUTES

**Resolved –**

**That the minutes of the meeting held on 4 April 2023 be signed as a correct record.**

**4. INSPECTION OF REPORTS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS**

There were no appeals submitted by the public to review decisions to restrict documents.

**5. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CHAIR**

**Resolved -**

**That it be noted that Councillor I Khan had been appointed, by the Leader of Council, as Deputy Chair for the Municipal Year 2023/2024.**

***ACTION: Director of Legal & Governance***

**6. ALLOCATION OF PORTFOLIOS OF EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS**

**Resolved –**

**That the allocation, by the Leader of the Council, of Portfolios of Executive functions to Members of the Executive as set out in Document “A” be noted.**

***ACTION: Director of Legal & Governance***

**7. RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE EXECUTIVE**

There were no recommendations to the Executive.

**LEADER OF COUNCIL & CORPORATE**

*(Councillor Hinchcliffe)*

## **8. PROPOSALS FOR A SENIOR MANAGEMENT RESTRUCTURE**

The Chief Executive submitted a report (**Document “B”**) which outlined the proposals to refine and replace the current senior management structure which was needed to deliver Bradford Council’s key priorities. These proposals affected JNC Chief Officers.

The Chief Executive gave a rationale behind the proposals stating that in the aftermath of the creation of the Children’s Trust and the appointment of its Chief Executive, there was now a need to review our senior management structure to ensure that it was fit for purpose and that it linked in with the strategic functions of the Council. The withdrawal of Appendix 1 to the report was noted.

**Resolved –**

**That the proposed senior management restructure as detailed in Appendix 3 to Document “B” be approved.**

***ACTION: Chief Executive***

Overview & Scrutiny Area: Corporate

## **HEALTHY PEOPLE AND PLACES PORTFOLIO**

*(Councillor Ferriby)*

## **9. UPDATED BUSINESS CASE TO BUILD A NEW CARE HOME FACILITY IN SALTIRE**

The Strategic Director of Health & Wellbeing submitted a report (**Document “C”**) which revisited the business case and requested additional resources, given the rising costs of inflation and subsequent finding of underground mine-workings on the Saltaire site, which will need ground remediation works. The report also proposed the closure of one older care home.

The Strategic Director set out the details of the proposals which were contained the Document “C”, stressing that the realignment of the care homes would result in cost savings over time.

The Leader stated that our track record in looking after the elderly discharged from hospitals had been exemplary. The Healthy People and Places Portfolio Holder thanked officers for their work to date on delivering this scheme which would enable older people to stay longer in their own homes.

**Resolved –**

**That Option 2, be approved to an increased budget (an extra £4,032,777) to build the Saltaire Care Facility having demonstrated a business case and value for money; and agreement be given to the closure of Woodward Court, Allerton in Spring 2023, given the poor fabric of the building.**

***ACTION: Strategic Director of Health & Wellbeing***

Overview & Scrutiny Area: Health and Social Care

## **10. LOCAL VISITOR ECONOMY PARTNERSHIP (LVEP) PROGRESS REPORT**

The Strategic Director Place submitted a report (**Document “D”**) which set out the need for a new organisation to represent tourism in Yorkshire following the closure of Welcome to Yorkshire. The De Bois Review set the stage for Destination Management Organisations on a tiered format and a West Yorkshire consortium approach is recommended in order to establish a Local Visitor Economy Partnership (LVEP) to manage and promote the tourism offer going forward.

The Strategic Director added that the proposal would bring us in line with the approach that had been adopted elsewhere and enable us to improve and strengthen our tourism offer.

The Portfolio Holder stated that as a district we had a lot to offer and this partnership approach would provide a huge boost for the district and the wider region.

**Resolved –**

**That Option 2 be approved as set out in Document “D” to apply for LVEP status as part of a West Yorkshire Consortium and develop a Destination Management Plan as part of the bidding process to become an accredited Destination Management Organisation as a Local Visitor Economy Partnership.**

***ACTION: Strategic Director Place***

Overview & Scrutiny Area: Regeneration & Environment

## **11. CLEAN AIR SCHOOLS PROGRAMME**

The Strategic Director Place submitted a report (**Document “E”**) which put forward plans for a Clean Air Schools Programme (CASP), a comprehensive package (circa £1.09m) of grants, engagement and education for the benefit of all Bradford District Schools funded by Clean Air Zone revenue and work with partners. The Strategic Director gave an overview of the proposals which were detailed in Document “E”.

The Leader in welcoming the initiative stated that car fumes near to schools was a real concern and that incidence of asthma were on the rise, therefore any effort to address this was welcomed and would improve children's health; and she urged that officers work closely with the schools and with the Area Committee Chairs going forward.

The Healthy People and Places Portfolio Holder endorsed the Leader's comments and stressed that education and enforcement went hand in hand and encouraging more children to walk and cycle to school would also have a profound impact on children's health and improve air quality by reducing the reliance on the car.

**Resolved -**

- (1) The proposal for a Clean Air Schools Programme and the Clean Air Schools Grant Programme as set out in Document "E" be approved.**
- (2) That the use of anti-idling regulations and enforcement with fixed penalty notices in the Bradford District be approved.**
- (3) That authority be delegated to the Strategic Director of Place, in consultation with the Director of Finance, Director of Legal and Governance and the Portfolio Holder to determine the final criteria of the Clean Air Schools Grant Programme Fund.**
- (4) That authority be delegated to the Strategic Director of Place in consultation with the Director of Legal and Governance to approve and complete funding agreements with successful applicant schools.**

***ACTION: Strategic Director Place***

Overview & Scrutiny Area: Regeneration & Environment

## **CHILDREN AND FAMILIES PORTFOLIO**

*(Councillor Duffy)*

### **12. SAVINGS ACCOUNT POLICY FOR CHILDREN IN CARE**

The Strategic Director Children's Services submitted a report (**Document "F"**) which set out arrangements to formalise savings accounts for children in the care of the Local Authority.

The Children and Families Portfolio Holder in welcoming the Policy stressed that this would enable us to standardise the approach to children's saving's accounts and move forward in our improvement journey.

**Resolved –**

**That the Savings Accounts Policy set out in Appendix A to Document “F” be approved.**

***ACTION: Strategic Director Children’s Services***

Overview & Scrutiny Area: Children’s Services

**13. MINUTES OF THE WEST YORKSHIRE COMBINED AUTHORITY**

**Resolved –**

**That the minutes of the meeting of the West Yorkshire Combined Authority held on 2 February 2023 be received.**

Chair

**Note: These minutes are subject to approval as a correct record at the next meeting of the Executive**

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