

Decisions of the Executive on Thursday, 13 July 2023

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CALL IN PERIOD ENDS ON THURSDAY 20 JULY 2023 AT 17.00

Notes:

- (a) Decisions may be called in by the Chair of the Corporate Overview & Scrutiny Committee, or by the Chair of the Corporate Overview & Scrutiny Committee when requested to do so by one member of the Committee or a member of another committee or by the Committee member representing the third largest group on the Council.***
- (b) The request to call in must be in writing and be signed by a Member, give a reason for the request and sent to the Chair of the Corporate Overview & Scrutiny Committee, who will deliver the request to Committee Secretariat, Room 111, City Hall by the date and time specified.***
- (c) Decisions which are subject to call in cannot be acted upon until the call in period expires.***
- (d) Decisions marked * may not be called in under Paragraph 8.7 of Part 3E of the Constitution.***

To:

*1. **RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE EXECUTIVE**

The following referral to the Executive was considered:

Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee – Tuesday 27 June 2023

PROGRESS REPORT ON THE PREVENT STRATEGY IN THE BRADFORD DISTRICT

Resolved –

- (1) That this Committee requests the Executive to contact the Home Office, outlining the concerns of Corporate Overview & Scrutiny Committee in relation to the outcomes of the independent review of Prevent, which appears to prioritise work with particular groups at the expense of other, equally worrying potential threats.**
- (2) That this Committee requests the Executive to note that the Prevent brand has been tainted over the years, and that the District needs a more localised, not regionalised programme.**
- (3) That this Committee requests a further report be presented in six months, which specifically focuses on:**
 - A full financial breakdown for the last 5 years to include project outcomes, not outputs, and how staff salaries have been utilised;
 - Engagement with specific groups with whom currently there is no engagement taking place, such as different Islamic groups and far right groups.
- (4) That members request officers to consider the local review of Prevent across the District to be an independent one and for the Terms of Reference for this review to be brought to the Corporate Overview & Scrutiny Committee.**

ACTION: Strategic Director for Place in consultation with the Leader of Council (in relation to 1 above)

Note: In receiving the above recommendation the Leader stated that concerns raised by Members of the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee were noted and a letter was being composed to send to the Home Office.

(Yusuf Patel / Fatima Butt – 07970 411923 / 07970 411746)

LEADER OF COUNCIL & CORPORATE

(Councillor Hinchcliffe)

***2. FULL-YEAR PERFORMANCE REPORT 2022-23**

Resolved-

That the performance against the key performance indicators in the 2021/25 Council Plan be noted.

Overview and Scrutiny Committee: Corporate

(Ruth Davison – 01274 432111)

***3. WORKING WITH THE MAYOR OF WEST YORKSHIRE AND THE WEST YORKSHIRE COMBINED AUTHORITY**

Resolved-

That the Executive note the contents of the report and reaffirm Bradford's ongoing commitment to working in partnership with the Mayor of West Yorkshire and as part of the West Yorkshire Combined Authority to build a prosperous, safe and sustainable West Yorkshire in which everyone has the chance to realise their potential.

Overview and Scrutiny Area: Corporate

(Ruth Davison – 01274 432111)

***4. FINANCE POSITION STATEMENT FOR 2022-23**

Resolved-

That the contents of the report (Document "I") and the actions taken to manage the issues highlighted be noted.

Overview and Scrutiny Committee: Corporate

(Andrew Cross - 07870 386523)

5. **QUARTER 1 FINANCE POSITION STATEMENT FOR 2023-24**

Resolved-

That the Executive:

- (1) Note the contents of the report (Document “J”) and the actions taken to manage the issues highlighted.**
- (2) Approve the following capital expenditure schemes as outlined in section 12.8 and 12.10:**
 - £0.22m for disabled adaptations in Council owned housing. This will be funded by the HRA using rental income receipts.**
 - £2.9m for the completion of public realm works in Bradford City centre. This will be funded by a mixture of grant, section 106’s contributions and Council borrowing from the 2023-24 Budget (CS0395i), that was set up to mitigate cost pressures and retain the scheme viability and secure desired outcomes.**
 - £0.182m additional budget to complete the Changing Places Toilet Schemes. This will be funded by the General Contingency Budget.**
 - £3m City of Culture Grants subject to having appropriate governance arrangements in place for the award of the grants.**
 - £3.8m additional budget for the City Centre Market Scheme. This will be funded from the 2023-24 Budget (CS0395i) that was set up to mitigate cost pressures and retain the scheme viability and secure desired outcomes.**

Note the following has been approved under Section 1.7 of the Financial Regulations:

- £2.0m for the completion of emergency works at Marley Playing Field. The additional budget of £1.5m will be funded from the inflation budget added to the 2022-23 CIP (CS0395w).**

Action: Director of Finance and IT

Overview and Scrutiny Committee: Corporate

(Andrew Cross - 07870 386523)

**REGENERATION, PLANNING & TRANSPORT
PORTFOLIO**

(Councillor Ross-Shaw)

6. BRADFORD COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL) - INVESTMENT OF THE STRATEGIC FUND

Resolved –

(1) That the Executive agree the allocation of the CIL Strategic Fund as set out in Tables 2 and 3 (up to March 2023) be used to contribute to education, recreation and open space, active travel, habitat mitigation, libraries and public realm.

(2) That the Executive agree the allocation of the Strategic CIL Pot in Table 4 as follows:

Project	Allocation	Balance after allocation
Top of Town Public Realm	£150,000.00	£468,738.98
Allotment refurbishments	£150,000.00	£318,738.98

(3) That any allocation from the Strategic Pot is allocated to assist in the funding of the schemes stated within this report. The funding to be spent within five years from its allocation. Any unspent balance held on that date to be returned to the CIL accounts for reinvestment.

(4) That the Strategic Director (Place) delegates to the Assistant Director of Planning Transportation and Highways to liaise with other Assistant Directors and Portfolio Holders to remind of the purpose of the Strategic Pot and how the CIL funds retained within it may be accessed to help deliver infrastructure projects.

(5) That the Assistant Director of Planning, Transportation and Highways in consultation with the Portfolio Holder are approved to agree allocations and expenditure from the remaining balance of the Strategic Pot should requests be received during the course of the year.

(6) That, at the July 2024 Executive, the Executive agrees to consider a further report prepared by the Strategic Director in consultation with Portfolio Holder on whether or not to allocate a maximum of £400,000.00 from the Sun Lane CIL payments to help fund the extension works to the Grange Park Surgery in Burley in Wharfedale. The allocation will be subject, amongst any other matters deemed necessary by the Council, to the following conditions:

- 1. That the Grange Park Surgery enter a funding agreement with BMDC setting out the process for drawing down the CIL funding, the return of unspent money and the arrangement for returning the monies should the Surgery cease to exist this may include placing a legal charge on the property. Bradford Council reserve the right to include other matters in any such funding agreement.**
- 2. That the Grange Park Surgery only request CIL funding once the funds raised by personal loans have been exhausted.**
- 3. All requests for CIL funding to be drawn down must be supported by evidence of spend.**
- 4. In the event that planning permission for the extension is not secured, or is secured but fails to commence and therefore expires, the CIL allocation will not be allocated to the Surgery for use on other projects. The CIL allocation is only to assist in the extension development once the appropriate planning permission has been secured.**

Action: Strategic Director, Place

Overview and Scrutiny Area: Regeneration and Environment

(Michala Bartle – 01274 432522)