Cabinet Tuesday, 26 February 2013

ADDENDA

5. Petitions and Public Address (Pages 1 - 2)

Attached.

7. 2012/13 Financial Monitoring & Business Strategy Delivery Report - December 2012 (Pages 3 - 4)

An additional report of the Assistant Chief Executive and Chief Finance Officer is attached setting out adjustments to the 2013/14 Budget and proposing an additional recommendation.

For ease of reference the complete recommendations are set out below:

The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:

- (a) note the report;
- (b) approve the virement requests over £0.250m set out in Annex 2a;
- (c) approve the charges for Heritage Service and Oxfordshire Customer Services as set out in paragraph 41 and Annex 9;
- (d) note the Treasury Management lending list at Annex 7; and
- (e) approve the use of £0.380m of the Efficiency Reserve in 2013/14 to fund the development of improved and joined up technical solutions for paying for journeys across Oxfordshire and beyond and to allow the Councillor Community Budget to be extended for another year, as set out in paragraph 1 above.
- **13**. Forward Plan and Future Business (Pages 5 6)

Attached.



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The Leader of the Council has agreed the following requests to address the meeting:-

| Item | Speaker |
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| Item 7 – 2012/13 Financial Monitoring & Business Strategy Delivery Report | Councillor Roz Smith, Shadow Cabinet Member with responsibility for Finance |
| Item 10 - The Council's Role as Accountable Body for Oxfordshire Local Enterprise partnership – Growing Places Fund Memorandum of Understanding | Councillor Zoe Patrick, Opposition Leader |

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ADDENDA

2012/13 FINANCIAL MONITORING & BUSINESS STRATEGY DELIVERY REPORT

Report by the Assistant Chief Executive & Chief Finance Officer

Adjustments to the 2013/14 Budget

- 1. The 2013/14 Budget and Medium Term Financial Plan 2013/14 2016/17 were agreed by Council on 19 February 2013. In his speech the Leader of the Council referred to two proposed adjustments to the budget put forward by Cabinet:
 - (i) One-off funding of £0.050m to come from the Efficiency Reserve in 2013/14 to develop improved and joined up technical solutions to paying for journeys across Oxfordshire and beyond.
 - (ii) Confirmation of the proposal set out in the Leader's report to Cabinet in January 2013 for an extension of the Councillor Community Budget for another year, providing £10,000 per councillor to deliver local projects in 2013/14. This will require £0.330m from the Efficiency Reserve to bring the one-off budget available in 2013/14 up to £0.630m.
- 2. These proposals will require use of £0.380m from the Efficiency Reserve in 2013/14. This will reduce the amount available in the reserve to meet the pressures over the medium term, however, it is a small enough sum to be addressed and managed as part of the Service & Resource Planning process next year.
- 3. The report to Council by the Chief Finance Officer set out that there was still some specific grant information outstanding relating to the budget for 2013/14. These grants have still to be notified and any impacts of the final notification will be reported to Cabinet once they are known.

RECOMMENDATION

The Cabinet is RECOMMENDED to:

Approve the use of £0.380m of the Efficiency Reserve in 2013/14 to fund the development of improved and joined up technical solutions for paying for journeys across Oxfordshire and beyond and to allow the Councillor Community Budget to be extended for another year, as set out in paragraph 1 above.

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Assistant Chief Executive & Chief Finance Officer

Background papers: Nil

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ITEM 13 - FORWARD PLAN AND FUTURE BUSINESS

Members are asked to note the following changes to the Forward Plan:

Amendments to items in the present Plan

| Portfolio | Topic (Ref)/Decision | Present Timing | Change |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Adult Services | Older People's Strategy (Ref 2013/022 | 19 March 2013 | Deferred to 18 June 2013 |
| Cabinet | To seek endorsement of the joint strategy for older people – which sets the direction for meeting the needs of the country's older people. | | |
| Deputy Leader | Corporate Plan Performance and Risk Management Report for the 3 rd Quarter 2012 (Ref 2012/137) | 19 March 2013 | Cabinet not Deputy Leader (21 March |
| Cabinet | Quarterly Performance Monitoring Report. | | 2013) |
| Deputy Leader | Proposed Zebra Crossing – Preston Road, Abingdon (Ref: 2013/013) | 21 March 2013 | Deferred to 6 June 2013 |
| Cabinet Member | To seek approval to proceed. | | |
| Deputy Leader | Tree Management Policy – Refresh of Existing Policy to Reflect Changes in the Local Environment | 21 March 2013 | Deferred to 6 June 2013 |
| Cabinet Member | (Ref: 2013/020) | | |
| | To seek approval to the revised policy. | | |

New Items added to the present Plan

| Cabinet Area | Topic/Decision | Timing | Report by/ Contact |
|------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Deputy Leader | Future Witney Transport Infrastructure (Ref: 2013/029) | | Roy Newton, Service Manager – Infrastructure |
| Cabinet | To implement improvements to the current Ducklington/Station Lane junction. Approval is south to progress | | Planning Tel: (01865) 815647 |
| | design to enable delivery of a capital scheme in 2014. | 19 March 2013 | Director for Environment & Economy |
| | To consider the overall transport strategy for Witney, in line with the proposals for growth contained in West Oxfordshire District Council's Local Plan. | | · |

Please note that the Cabinet Member for Safer & Stronger Communities Delegated Decision meeting on 18 March 2013 has been changed to 19 March 2013 at the request of the Cabinet Member.