



DECISION RECORD

Gloucester City Council

Publication Date 13 February 2020

Decision Of	Cabinet		
Date of Decision	12 February 2020	Item No.	7
Title	Events and Festivals Plan 2020-21		
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Culture and Leisure (Councillor Steve Morgan)		
Report Author	Philip Walker, Head of Cultural Services		
Wards Affected	All Wards	Key Decision	Yes

DECISION:

RESOLVED that:

- (1) approval is given to the outline Civic Events Programme for 2020 set out in the table 1 Appendix A of the report to be managed by the City Council Cultural Services team
- (2) approval is given to support key city festivals and events programme 2020 as set out in table 2 Appendix A of the report
- (3) approval is given to allocate a proportion of the budget to create an innovation fund that supports the development of new and emerging events and festivals and talent in the city.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The recommendations of the MGL report were accepted by Cabinet on 15 January 2020.

The council is able to co-ordinate and deliver a festivals and events offer using in-house staff expertise and this budget resource.

The creation of an innovation fund will allow for the festival calendar to evolve in line with the ambitions of the Cultural Strategy.

This approach builds on the strengths of the festivals and programme in the city, whilst introducing new opportunity and ambition in line with the city's ambitions to become a future City of Culture.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

None

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):

None

SCRUTINY (including details of call-in procedure where applicable):

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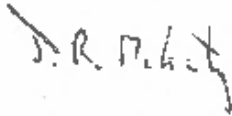
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Item No.

8

Title

Housing, Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy 2020-2025

Report Of

Cabinet Member for Communities and Neighbourhoods (Councillor Jennie Watkins)

Report Author

Ruth Saunders, Head of Communities

Wards Affected

All Wards

Key Decision

No

DECISION:

RESOLVED that:

- (1) the result of the public consultation be noted
- (2) it is **RECOMMENDED** that the Housing, Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy 2020-2025 be adopted.

REASON FOR DECISION:

This is a well formed, evidenced and widely supported strategy which has the potential to support significant improvements for the City and our residents. Having a clear strategy helps to allocate resources effectively and allows clarity for our partners.

In order to satisfy the requirements of the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG), Gloucester City Council must have an adopted Homelessness Strategy in 2020 to serve 2020-2025. As previously mentioned, we have included homelessness in a broader strategy on Housing to ensure a coherent and effective approach.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

The current Housing and Homelessness Strategy is coming to an end and it is a statutory requirement under the Homelessness Act 2002 for us to have a Homelessness Strategy. We could consider only adopting a Homelessness strategy, but this would not take into account the broader impact of Housing challenges across the City. For this reason, it makes sense to develop a new Housing and Homelessness Strategy for the City for the next 5 years.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):

None

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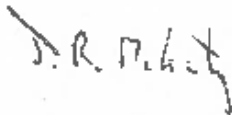
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Decision Of	Cabinet		
Date of Decision	12 February 2020	Item No.	9
Title	Gloucestershire Resource and Waste Partnership		
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Environment (Councillor Richard Cook)		
Report Author	Dawn Fearn, Street Scene Strategy Officer		
Wards Affected	All Wards	Key Decision	No

DECISION:

RESOLVED that Gloucester City Council join the new Gloucestershire Resources and Waste Partnership and delegate authority to the Waste, Recycling and Streetscene Manager in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment and the Council Solicitor to finalise and approve the Terms of Reference of the new Partnership.

REASON FOR DECISION:

To continue the long history of partnership working in waste management between GCC and the district councils in Gloucestershire. Government favours joined up services and there may be opportunities for further funding by working cohesively.

To ensure greater cohesion and communication across Gloucestershire, joining up services where applicable and benefitting from economies of scale.

To reduce waste at source and to continue to divert as much waste as possible to recycling, in line with the climate change and wider environmental agenda.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

The following options were considered by the GJWC:

- (i) Allow the GJWC to dissolve in December 2019 and do not develop any future working partnership arrangement.
- (ii) Maintain the GJWC with the remaining partner councils
- (iii) Form a new partnership that is less formal than the GJWC and which encourages all Gloucestershire local authorities to join.

Option (i) was discounted as it was agreed by each member (voting and non-voting) of the GJWC that there was value in continued joint working on waste matters. Option (ii) was discounted by the remaining voting members of the GJWC as it was felt that with reduced membership, the GJWC would no longer add sufficient value. Option (iii) is supported by members of GJWC and outline terms and of reference for a new partnership are agreed in principle. Accordingly, the officer recommendation is to form a new Gloucestershire Resources and Waste Partnership between GCC and the district councils.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):

None

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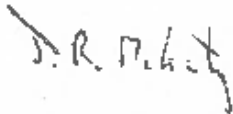
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Item No.

10

Title

Digital Strategy

Report Of

Leader of the Council (Councillor Richard Cook)

Report Author

Jon McGinty, Managing Director

Wards Affected

All Wards

Key Decision

No

DECISION:

RESOLVED that:

- (1) the Managing Director, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, is authorised to consider comments from Overview and Scrutiny Committee on the attached draft Digital Strategy for Gloucester (appendix 1 of the report) and to finalise the strategy for adoption
- (2) this draft Digital Strategy be put out for public consultation, and as part of this engagement, proposals for delivery of elements of this strategy are sought and considered
- (3) the Managing Director is authorised to sign the Local Digital Declaration (appendix 2 of the report) on behalf of the City Council.

REASON FOR DECISION:

To develop and deliver a digital strategy for Gloucester will help the Council achieve its overarching aspiration of 'A City that works for everyone'. The Strategy will support the Council's ambitions to make the City vibrant and prosperous, safe and attractive, inclusive and resilient and will help the Council deliver great services to its customers.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

To not adopt a Digital Strategy. This is not recommended.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):

None

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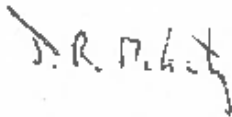
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Decision Of	Cabinet		
Date of Decision	12 February 2020	Item No.	11
Title	Money Plan 2020-25 and Budget Proposals 2020/21		
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources (Councillor Hannah Norman)		
Report Author	Jon Topping, Head of Policy and Resources		
Wards Affected	All Wards	Key Decision	No
DECISION:			
RECOMMENDED to Council that:			
(1) the proposals for the 2020/21 budget included in the report be approved			
(2) it be noted that consultation has been undertaken on budget proposals.			
REASON FOR DECISION:			
The Council must set a balanced budget in time to start collecting Council Tax by 1 st April 2020.			
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:			
The Council must set a balanced budget in time to start collecting Council Tax by 1 st April 2020. Alternative proposals put forward for budget savings will be considered as part of this process.			
OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:			
None			
CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):			
None			
SCRUTINY (including details of call-in procedure where applicable):			
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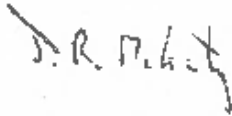
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Decision Of	Cabinet		
Date of Decision	12 February 2020	Item No.	12
Title	Business Rates- Request for Write-off Approval Over £100K		
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources (Councillor Hannah Norman)		
Report Author	Jon Topping, Head of Policy and Resources		
Wards Affected	All Wards	Key Decision	Yes
DECISION:			
RESOLVED that the non-domestic rates amount in paragraph 4 of the report be written off.			
REASON FOR DECISION:			
The company has entered into a Company Voluntary Arrangement (CVA). We can no longer explore our 'normal' recovery routes. We are now receiving reduced payments in line with the CVA, however, the amount being requested for write off is the residual amount which remains outstanding after the voluntary payments have been received.			
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:			
To leave the non-domestic rate debt as outstanding, though it is highly unlikely to be recovered given that the company have entered into a voluntary agreement to repay a portion of the debt.			
OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:			
None			
CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):			
None			
SCRUTINY (including details of call-in procedure where applicable):			
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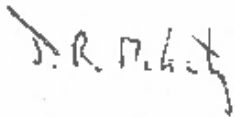
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Decision Of	Cabinet		
Date of Decision	12 February 2020	Item No.	13
Title	Risk Management Policy Statement and Strategy 2020-2023		
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources (Councillor Hannah Norman)		
Report Author	Theresa Mortimer, Head of Audit Risk Assurance and Chief Internal Auditor		
Wards Affected	All Wards	Key Decision	No
DECISION: RESOLVED that: <ul style="list-style-type: none">(1) the Risk Management Policy Statement and Strategy 2020-2023 be adopted and endorsed; and(2) following endorsement, the Strategy be disseminated to Members and officers in accordance with a communications plan to reaffirm the council's risk management objectives.			
REASON FOR DECISION: Risk Governance In addition to the statutory requirements and codes of good practice as noted within paragraphs 3.1 and 3.2 of the report, the council has responded to the above by incorporating these requirements into the Council Constitution, specifically within Part 3 which defines the members/officers responsibilities in relation to risk management and also within Financial Regulations - Audit and the Control of Resources.			
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: This is a strategic policy document which is presented to Members as a minimum every three years. The last document was endorsed by Members in January 2017. No alternative options have been considered.			
OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION: None			
CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted): None			

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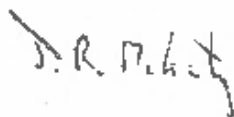
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Decision Of	Cabinet		
Date of Decision	12 February 2020	Item No.	14
Title	Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Update and Proposed Review		
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Planning and Housing Strategy (Councillor Andrew Gravells)		
Report Author	Paul Hardiman, Joint Core Strategy CIL Manager		
Wards Affected	All Wards	Key Decision	No
DECISION: RESOLVED it be noted that: <ul style="list-style-type: none">(1) 5% of income received to date will be transferred to the JCS budget as a contribution towards administrative costs(2) the remaining 95% of income received during the financial year 2019/20 will be rolled forward into 2020/21(3) a review of the CIL Charging Schedules is being undertaken(4) proposals for the governance arrangements for funding the infrastructure schemes identified in the JCS Infrastructure Delivery Plan, will be brought to Cabinet as a recommendation of the CIL Leader Board during the next financial year(5) proposals for governance arrangements for local (i.e. Gloucester) infrastructure schemes will be brought to Cabinet early in the next financial year.			
REASON FOR DECISION: The report provides members with an update on CIL after the first year of operation and asks them to note actions required and to be taken in the next year.			
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED: As an update on the performance of a 'new' statutory function the report does not include a re-consideration of the options to charging CIL.			
OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION: None			

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):

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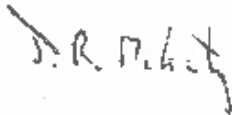
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CALL-IN PROCEDURE

Call-in should only be used in exceptional circumstances, such as where Members have evidence which suggests that the Cabinet did not take the decision in accordance with the principles set out in Article 13 (Decision Making) of the Council's Constitution.

Call-in of a decision must be requested within five working days of the publication of an executive decision. The request must be communicated in writing to the Corporate Director of Resources by at least five Members of the Council.

Implementation of a decision that has been called-in is suspended until such time as it has been considered by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee and re-considered by the Cabinet in light of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee's conclusions and any recommendations.

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