Decisions to be considered by Full Council on 22 July 2014

Decisions of the meeting of the CABINET held at 9.30 am on Tuesday, 15th July, 2014 at COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, STONE CROSS, NORTHALLERTON

Present

Councillor M S Robson (in the Chair)

Councillor Mrs B S Fortune Councillor B Phillips

N Knapton P R Wilkinson

Also in Attendance

Councillor P Bardon Councillor M J Prest
Mrs C S Cookman M Rigby

K G Hardisty Mrs I Sanderson

R W Hudson A Wake
R Kirk Mrs J Watson
J Noone D A Webster

Mrs C Patmore

CA.12 **2013/14 OUTTURN REVENUE & RESERVES REPORT**

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report presented the revenue outturn position for the year ending 31 March 2014, which included the position on reserves. The Statement of Accounts, which was the consolidated financial position of the Council for 2013/14, was the responsibility of the Audit and Governance Committee which would meet on 24 September 2014 to approve the Annual Financial Report – Statement of Accounts.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

It is a legal requirement under S25 of The Local Government Act 2003 to set a balanced budget and monitor the financial position throughout the year.

THE DECISION:

That Cabinet approves and recommends to Council that:

- (1) the underspend, in Annex A, of £510,599 on the 2013/14 revenue budget be transferred to the One-Off Fund reserve; and
- (2) the adjustments on the reserves position, detailed at Annex B, be approved.

CA.13 **2013/14 OUTTURN CAPITAL/TREASURY MANAGEMENT REPORT**

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report presented the capital outturn position for the year ending 31 March 2014 and also provided an update on the annual treasury management position. Capital expenditure was intrinsically linked with treasury management as the way that the Capital Programme was funded, directly effected the treasury management arrangements of the Council.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To ensure that the overall capital programme remained affordable and sustainable over the 10 year approved capital plan.

THE DECISION:

That Cabinet approves and recommends to Council to:

- (1) note the 2013/14 capital outturn position of £2,158,305;
- (2) approve the requests for re-profiling the capital programme totalling £513,247 from 2013/14 programme to 2014/15;
- (3) approve the under spend of £122,317 and over spend of £10,339 as detailed in the body of the report;
- (4) approve the two additional capital schemes in 2014/15 detailed in paragraph 2.11:
 - (i) Hambleton Leisure Centre Playing Field Fence £10,000
 - (ii) Leeming Bar Business Park resurfacing entrance works £8,000;
- (5) note the treasury management outturn position 2013/14; and
- (6) note the Prudential Indicators attached at Annex B.

CA.14 BUSINESS RATE RE-OCCUPATION RELIEF POLICY

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report sought approval of the new Business Rates Re-occupation Relief Policy to encourage re-occupation of shops that have been empty for a long period of time and reward businesses that take up occupation of empty premises.

None.
The reason for the decision:
To comply with the requirements of the Localism Act (under section 47 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988, as amended).
THE DECISION:
That Cabinet approves and recommends to Council:-
(1) the approval of the attached policy; and
(2) delegated authority be given to the Director of Support Services and Deputy Chief Executive to administer the Business Rates Re-occupation Relief Policy.
The meeting closed at 10.00 am
Leader of the Council

Alternative options considered: