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If you have any queries or wish to obtain further report information or information on a decision please refer to:

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Cabinet Decisions

Tuesday 1 February 2022

SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

LGA - Corporate Peer Challenge

Part 1 or 2 (Relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of Decision (i.e. Key, Non- Key, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-In & Date to be called in by
1	All Wards	No	Forward Plan Reference FP1102	Ka Ng Tel: 01707357275 k.ng@welhat.gov.uk	Yes 8 February 2022

DECISION:

- (1) Cabinet noted the Corporate Peer Challenge feedback report and recommendations at Appendix 1.
- (2) Cabinet agreed the Corporate Peer Challenge action plan at Appendix 2.

BACKGROUND:

Cabinet Decisions

Tuesday 1 February 2022

SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

Revision of the Council's Window Repairs and Replacement Policy

Part 1 or 2 (Relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of Decision (i.e. Key, Non- Key, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-In & Date to be called in by
1	All Wards	No	Non-Key	Glen Finch Tel: 01707 357265 g.finch@welhat.gov.uk	No

DECISION:

- (1) Cabinet agreed the proposed amendments to the Window Repairs and Replacement Policy recommended by OSC (as set out in Appendix A).
- (2) That once agreed, the proposed amendments were circulated to the Cabinet Housing Panel for their review.
- (3) Should the Cabinet Housing Panel agree the amendments, that the policy be revised via an Executive Member Decision Notice.

BACKGROUND:

Cabinet Decisions

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SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

QUARTER 3 CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 2021-22

Part 1 or 2 (Relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of Decision (i.e. Key, Non- Key, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-In & Date to be called in by
1	All Wards	No	Non-Key	Richard Baker Tel: 01707 357425 r.baker@welhat.gov.uk	No

DECISION:

- (1) Cabinet noted the capital forecast outturn position as shown in Table 1.
- (2) Cabinet noted the forecast position as at 31 December 2021 for funding of the capital programme and reserve balances as reflected in Table 2.

BACKGROUND:

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SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

QUARTER 3 REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 2021-22

Part 1 or 2 (Relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of Decision (i.e. Key, Non- Key, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-In & Date to be called in by
1	All Wards	No	Non-Key	Richard Baker Tel: 01707 357425 r.baker@welhat.gov.uk	No

DECISION:

- (1) Cabinet noted the revenue forecast outturn position as at Quarter 3 (31 December 2021).
- (2) Cabinet noted the position on debts set out in section 5 of the report.

BACKGROUND:

Cabinet Decisions

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SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

Housing Maintenance Procurement Update

Part 1 or 2 (Relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of Decision (i.e. Key, Non- Key, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-In & Date to be called in by
2	All Wards	No	Forward Plan Reference FP1093	Andrew Harper Tel: 01707357371 a.harper@welhat.gov.uk	Yes 8 February 2022

DECISION:

Cabinet agreed with the unanimous views of the Procurement Board recommendation to:

- (1) Award the housing maintenance contract to Morgan Sindall Property Services Limited, subject to conclusion of the 30 day leaseholder engagement period under Section 20 of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1985 (and regard being had of any representations) and subject to the expiry of the mandatory standstill period.
- (2) Let the contract for an initial 5 years starting from Wednesday 5 October 2022, with an option to extend the contract for up to a further 5 years, based on mutual agreement.

BACKGROUND:

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SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

Minor Building Works

Part 1 or 2 (Relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of Decision (i.e. Key, Non- Key, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-In & Date to be called in by
2	All Wards	Councillor Fiona Thomson	Forward Plan Reference FP1100	Andrew Harper Tel: 01707357371 a.harper@welhat.gov.uk	Yes 8 February 2022

DECISION:

As agreed unanimously by the General Procurement Board:

- (1) Subject to expiry of the mandatory standstill period, Wates Property Services Limited was awarded preferred contractor status and supply the two full times operatives.
- (2) Subject to expiry of the mandatory standstill period, RCP Contractors Limited be appointed as the backup Contractor who may be offered some of the specialist work.
- (3) That the contracts were for an initial three year period, commencing on 1 April 2022 with a further optional one year extension.

BACKGROUND:

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SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

PROPOSAL TO CONSULT WITH TENANTS ABOUT THE REDEVELOPMENT OF A HOUSING SCHEME, WELWYN GARDEN CITY

Part 1 or 2 (Relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of Decision (i.e. Key, Non- Key, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-In & Date to be called in by
2	Howlands	No	Non-Key	Sian Chambers Tel: 01707 357640 s.chambers@welhat.gov.uk	No

DECISION:

- (1) Cabinet agrees to the commencement of a consultation with the tenants at the property referred to in the report, regarding the proposed redevelopment, which will include a proposal/offer to decant and associated entitlement of Homeloss and disturbance payments
- (2) Cabinet agrees to cease letting vacancies that arise in the above scheme under the current housing allocations policy, whilst the council undertakes this consultation and until such time as a decision around the future proposals for the scheme have been agreed.
- (3) Cabinet note that the proposal is to work collaboratively with Eastern New Energy, to potentially access grant funding for the delivery of net zero carbon homes.
- (4) Subject to agreement of the recommendations in the report, a more detailed report, setting out the costs and budgetary implications, to be brought to Cabinet once the consultation is completed.