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This document lists the decisions taken by the Cabinet at its meeting on 6 September 2022. The list covers key and non-key decisions. These decisions will come into force within four working days of the date of this document (i.e. 15 September 2022) unless the Overview and Scrutiny Committee calls a decision in.

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Where the Overview and Scrutiny Committee is of the opinion that an executive decision which relates to an area covered by the Committee yet to be made or made but not yet implemented would be, contrary to the policy framework, or contrary to or not wholly in accordance with the Council's budget, then it should seek advice from the Monitoring Officer and/or Executive Director (Finance and Transformation).

If you have any queries or wish to obtain further report information or information on a decision please refer to: Alison Marston, Governance Services Manager at the Council Offices, Campus East, Welwyn Garden City, Herts AL8 6AE Telephone number (01707) 357444 or e-mail <u>a.marston@welhat.gov.uk</u>

#### SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

Medium Term Financial Strategy

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 FP1133	Richard Baker Tel: 01707 357425 <u>r.baker@welhat.gov.uk</u>	Yes 15 September 2022

#### **DECISION:**

Cabinet noted the contents of the report and approved the principles to be adopted for the 2023/24 budget setting process as highlighted in section 3.3.6, in particular the 2023/24 budget setting process should focus on closing the indicative budget gap.

### **BACKGROUND:**

### SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

Assisted Transfer Scheme (Housing)

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 FP1139	Lydia Bradbury Tel: 01707 357 372 <u>I.bradbury@welhat.gov.uk</u>	Yes 15 September 2022

#### **DECISION:**

Cabinet noted the review of the Assisted Transfer Scheme and approved the changes to the scheme and rebranding, which were set out in the report.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

### SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

Introduction of Resident Permit Parking Schemes, and other waiting restrictions, in various roads, High Dells and Hilltop, Hatfield

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	Hatfield South West, Welham Green and Hatfield South	No	Forward Plan Reference FP1116	Eliska Robova Tel: 01707 357514 <u>e.robova@welhat.gov.uk</u>	No

#### **DECISION:**

#### (unanimous - recommendations agreed)

#### (1) "The Borough of Welwyn Hatfield (Various Roads, High Dells, Hatfield) (Restriction of Waiting and Permit Parking Zones) Order 2022"

That the Panel considers the objections received in Section 9 in addition to the issues raised in Section 20 around equalities and diversity and recommends to Cabinet to proceed with permit zones with amended days and times – Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm as set out in Section 4 and the creation of the traffic regulation order for resident permit zones; and to note the delegated powers conferred to Executive Member for Community Safety and Parking to sign an executive member decision to proceed with the creation of the traffic regulation order as advertised, subject to unanimous recommendation of the Panel.

#### (2) "The Borough of Welwyn Hatfield (Various Roads, High Dells, Hatfield) (Prohibition of Stopping and Waiting on Verge or Footway) Order 2022"

That the Panel considers the objections received in Section 9 in addition to the issues raised in Section 20 around equalities and diversity and recommends to Cabinet to proceed with the creation of the traffic regulation order as advertised; and to note the delegated powers conferred to Executive Member for Community Safety and Parking to sign an executive member decision to proceed with the creation of the traffic regulation order as advertised for the verge and footway prohibition, subject to unanimous recommendation of the Panel.

#### (3) "The Borough of Welwyn Hatfield (Various Roads, Hilltop, Hatfield) (Restriction of Waiting and Permit Parking Zones) Order 2022"

That the Panel considers the objections received in Section 9 in addition to the issues raised in Section 20 around equalities and diversity and recommends to Cabinet to proceed with permit zones with amended days and times – Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm as set out in Section 6 and the creation of the traffic regulation order for resident permit zones; and to note the delegated powers conferred to Executive Member for Community Safety and Parking to sign an executive member decision to proceed with the creation of the traffic regulation order as advertised, subject to unanimous recommendation of the Panel.

# (4) "The Borough of Welwyn Hatfield (Various Roads, Hilltop, Hatfield) (Prohibition of Stopping and Waiting on Verge or Footway) Order 2022"

That the Panel considers the objections received in Section 9 in addition to the issues raised in Section 20 around equalities and diversity and recommends to Cabinet to proceed with the creation of the traffic regulation order as advertised; and to note the delegated powers conferred to Executive Member for Community Safety and Parking to sign an executive member decision to proceed with the creation of the traffic regulation order as advertised for the verge and footway prohibition, subject to unanimous recommendation of the Panel.

#### (unanimous - recommendation rejected)

(5) To recommend to Cabinet to rapidly explore setting up a hardship fund for any resident within any permit parking area within the borough who can demonstrate the impact the additional cost of a permit or permits would have upon them financially and/ or socially to allow for a defined process to alleviate this pressure until it is deemed that this fund in no longer required.

Cabinet discussed this recommendation and reached the view that the wording of this CPPP recommendation, as it stands, is likely to result in more resources being diverted to set up and manage the hardship fund, to cover the cost of a permit that is equivalent to around 58p a day. Cabinet considered that such resources would be better focused on continuing to provide other means of support to the residents of Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council

#### **BACKGROUND:**

### SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT

# OUTCOME OF CONSULTATION WITH RESIDENTS ON PROPOSAL TO CONSIDER 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	All Wards	No	Non-Key	Rachel Sesstein Tel: 01707 357766 <u>r.sesstein@welhat.gov.uk</u>	No

#### **DECISION:**

- (1) Cabinet noted the outcome of the consultation and agreed to defer the proposed redevelopment of the site for two years, for the reasons set out in the exempt report.
- (2) Cabinet agreed that any vacancies arising on the site in the meantime will be let as temporary accommodation.
- (3) Cabinet agreed that any of the residents who expressed a wish to move as a result of the potential future redevelopment, can be supported with a discretionary Homeloss payment and will be placed in Band A on the transfer list.
- (4) Cabinet agreed to delegate authority to the Section 151 Officer, in consultation with the Executive Member (Planning and Resources), to agree any resident request for a top up on the standard home loss grant, to compensate for approved investment carried out to the property.