

DECISIONS OF THE CABINET RESOURCES COMMITTEE

14 DECEMBER 2011

COMMITTEE:

*Councillor Daniel Thomas (Chairman)

Councillors

* Brian Coleman

* Richard Cornelius

*Andrew Harper

* Sachin Rajput

* Robert Rams

*denotes Member present

1. MINUTES:

The minutes of the meeting held on 7 November 2011 were approved as a correct record.

2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS:

There were none

3. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS:

There were none.

4. PUBLIC QUESTIONS:

The following question was received from Mrs M Symington;

A. ITEM 5 – Development and Regulatory Services Project: Business Case

According to Agenda Item 5, CRC is asked to approve the recommended short list of 2 bidders, Capita Symonds LTD, and EC Harris / FM Conway consortium at the end of the first stage of the competitive dialogue; however, as a tenant of Barnet Homes I have received an email (9/11/11) indicating that Capita UK is already working with Barnet Homes. Can you clarify whether the competition is still in process or has Capita already secured the contract, and if so, since when and according to which Cabinet decision?

Reply by the Chairman of the Cabinet Resources Committee

Barnet Homes has independently established a sub-contracting relationship with Capita as part of Capita's bid for the NSCSO contract. Item 5 on tonight's agenda concerns the DRS project and not the NSCSO project.

The Council ceased to engage with Barnet Homes regarding the procurement process from 27 June 2011, a month prior to the deadline for the pre-qualification questionnaires. The Council has also put in place a Cooperation Agreement with Barnet Homes to ensure that no unfair advantage is given to Capita via Barnet Homes, and has established a protocol for Council staff. The Council will also ensure that any members with a particular interest in Barnet Homes declare this prior to any shortlisting decisions being taken.

There are four companies currently bidding for the NSCSO contract. The first phase of competitive dialogue ran during September-November 2011 and the four outline solutions are now being evaluated. The decision to shortlist up to 3 bidders is due to be taken by CRC on 28 February. The Council will then commence a second phase of competitive dialogue before final detailed solutions are submitted and evaluated in the summer. The contract award decision will be made in autumn 2012 and the contract is due to commence in January 2013.

Mrs Symington asked a supplementary question.

5. DEVELOPMENT AND REGULATORY SERVICES PROJECT : BUSINESS CASE UPDATE AND SHORTLIST FOR DIALOGUE 2 (Report of the Leader of the Council – Agenda Item 5):

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report, the Committee;

RESOLVED –

1. The Cabinet Resources Committee approved the recommended Development and Regulatory Services (DRS) shortlist of two bidders for stage 2 of the competitive dialogue process.
2. The recommended shortlist is: Capita Symonds Ltd and the EC Harris / FM Conway consortium. They achieved the highest two scores from the evaluation of the outline solutions provided at the end of the first stage of competitive dialogue.
3. The Cabinet Resources Committee noted the updated Development and Regulatory Services business case.

6. AWARD OF CONTRACT – CORPORATE BUILDINGS SECURITY (Report of the Leader of the Council – Agenda Item 6):

This item was withdrawn. It will be presented to a future meeting of the Committee.

7. FRITH MANOR EQUESTRIAN CENTRE, LULLINGTON GARTH, MILL HILL, LONDON, N12 7BP (Report of the Cabinet Member for Resources and Performance – Agenda Item 7)

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report, the Committee;

RESOLVED –

1. That dependent upon the premium offers received for the grant of a 125 year lease, the Council will either:
 - (i) sell its freehold interest in the land shown edged red on the attached plan no. 24363 attached to the report, to the current tenants, Frith Manor Stables Limited, Betty Baldwin Turner and Penelope Rule on the terms detailed in the accompanying exempt report; or
 - (ii) grant a 125 year lease of the land shown edged red on the attached plan no. 24363 attached to the report, on terms to be agreed and approved by the Leader, under his Delegated Powers.

8. DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS GARAGE SITES (Report of the Cabinet Member for Resources and Performance – Agenda Item 8)

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report, the Committee;
RESOLVED –

1. The Committee approved the remarketing of the Council's freehold interest in the garage sites either as a package, or individually as listed in Recommendation 1.3 of the report and as shown edged red on the plans attached to the report.
2. That the results of the remarketing exercise be reported to the Cabinet Member for Resources and Performance for approval, under delegated powers, of the final terms of disposal.
3. The garages referred to in section 1.1 are as follows:
 - Bedford Road, Mill Hill
 - Linden Road, Brunswick Park
 - Park Road, New Barnet
 - Fairmead Crescent, Edgware
 - Back Lane, Burnt Oak
 - Balfour Grove, New Southgate

9. QUARTER 2 MONITORING 2011/12 (Report of the Cabinet Member for Resources and Performance – Agenda Item 9)

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report, the Committee;

RESOLVED –

1. That Directors take appropriate action to ensure costs are kept within budget and income targets are met. (Paragraph 9.1.2 of the report)
2. That Directors take appropriate action to improve performance against those corporate performance, Human Resources (HR), project, and risk measures where quarter two performance remains a challenge (Paragraphs 9.3, 9.11, and Appendix A of the report).
3. The following on-going virements were approved:
 - £1.139m within the Commercial Directorate for service budget realignments, in order to merge cost centres within Property and Building Services. There is a nil impact on the service budgets. (Paragraph 9.4.2)
 - £0.952m within the Deputy Chief Executive Directorate in order to realign the Pension fund recharges to reflect changes resulting from the separation of the pension fund account. The virement also corrects support service budgets being charged to the pension fund with £0.054m IS support costs being included. (Paragraph 9.4.2 of the report)
 - £0.119m against the recharges budgets following the Finance Directorate restructure. The virement also reduces income by £0.019m. (Paragraph 9.4.2 of the report)
 - £0.654m to re-align employee insurance budgets within the Environment Planning and Regeneration Directorate to reflect current staffing structures. There is a nil impact on the service budgets. (Paragraph 9.4.2 of the report)

4. The following one off transfer from contingency for this financial year only was approved:
 - One-off transfer for 2011/12 of £0.500m is requested from Contingency to fund pressures on planning, building control and land charges income. (Paragraph 9.5.2 of the report)
5. That the following transfer from contingency for this financial year and ongoing was approved:
 - On-going transfer for 2011/12 and future years of £1.750m is from Contingency to temporary accommodation rents to correct a shortfall in rental income. (Paragraph 9.5.3 of the report)
6. That the Agency Costs for the second quarter were noted. (Paragraph 9.6.1 of the report)
7. That Directors ensure that those capital projects in their services are managed closely to ensure they are delivered within budget and in accordance with the agreed timeframe. (Paragraph 9.7.1 of the report)
8. That the proposed Capital additions/deletions totalling £0.555m and slippage of £11.214m as set out in Appendix C and the related funding implications summarised in table 5 were approved.
9. That the proposed HRA Capital restructure was approved (Paragraph 9.10 of the report)

10. STANLEY ROAD PLAYING FIELDS AND FORMER HERBERT WILMOT CENTRE, EAST FINCHLEY, N2 (Report of the Cabinet Member for Resources and Performance – Agenda Item 10)

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report, the Committee;

RESOLVED –

1. That the Council invites the three bidders identified in section 6.4 in the Exempt report to work with the Local Community Group (SPort.ef/ Sport East Finchley (Stanley Road Playing Field) Community Trust) to try to provide a comprehensive development scheme which will be acceptable to both parties and is realistically achievable and will form the basis upon which planning permission will be sought within 6 months from committee approval being obtained. The revised bids for the freehold interest in the Stanley Road Playing field be submitted within 9 months from committee approval, which will be reported back to a future meeting of the Cabinet Resources Committee for decision.

11. TREASURY MANAGEMENT OUTTURN FOR QUARTER ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2011 (Report of the Cabinet Member for Resources and Performance – Agenda Item 11)

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report, the Committee;

RESOLVED –

1. The Treasury Management activity and position for the second quarter ended September 2011 was noted.
2. The Committee noted the Council's response to recent market uncertainty set out in sections 9.1.4 and 9.9 of the report.

12. AWARD OF CONTRACT – PARKING ENFORCEMENT AND RELATED SERVICES (Report of the Cabinet Member for Environment– Agenda Item 12)

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report, the Committee;

RESOLVED –

1. The contract for the provision of Parking Enforcement and Related Services is awarded to NSL Ltd for a period of five years with an option to extend for a further two years.

13. BIG SOCIETY INNOVATION BANK – ROUND 1 AWARDS (Report of the Cabinet Member for Customer Access and Partnerships – Agenda Item 13)

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report, the Committee;

RESOLVED –

1. The awards recommended by the Community Assessment Panel in the appendix to this report (for circulation after the panel's meeting on 7 December 2011) were approved, subject to the Standard Conditions of Grant circulated with application forms and any further special conditions to be imposed in relation to adherence with 'due diligence' considerations and any other issues.
2. That authority is delegated to the Assistant Chief Executive to finalise the required outcomes and any special grant conditions for each individual award.

14. ENVIRONMENT, PLANNING AND REGENERATION FEES AND CHARGES FOR 2012/2013 (Report of the Cabinet Member for Environment, Cabinet Member for Housing, Cabinet Member for Planning, Cabinet Member for Safety and Residents Engagement and Cabinet Member for Customer Access and Partnerships – Agenda Item 14)

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report, and following decisions in the meeting, the Committee;

RESOLVED –

1. The fees and charges (charging schedule) for the Environment, Planning and Regeneration Directorate as detailed in Appendix A and C of the report were approved for public consultation
2. The Interim Director of Environment, Planning and Regeneration is authorised in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Members to make changes to the Charging Schedule as detailed in Appendix A and C of the report subject to consultation findings and the Equality Impact Assessments as required to progress through approval and adoption by the Committee to take effect from 1 February 2012 or at the latest 1 April 2012.
3. That the Interim Director of Environment, Planning and Regeneration and the Cabinet Member for Environment give particular consideration to the configuration of parking charges.

15. **MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE PRESS AND PUBLIC:**
RESOLVED – That under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act (as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006):

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X1	Exempt information relating to item 5 in public session – Development and Regulatory Services Project : Business Case
X3	Exempt information relating to item 7 in public session – Frith Manor Equestrian Centre, Lullington Garth, Mill Hill, London, N12 7BP
X4	Exempt information relating to item 8 in public session – Disposal of Surplus Garage site
X5	Exempt information relating to item 10 in public session – Stanley Road Playing Fields and Former Herbert Wilmot Centre, East Finchley N2
X6	Exempt information relating to item 12 in public session – Award of Contract – Parking Enforcement and Related Services

16. **EXEMPT INFORMATION RELATING TO ITEM 5 IN PUBLIC SESSION – DEVELOPMENT AND REGULATORY SERVICES PROJECT : BUSINESS CASE (Report of the Leader of the Council – Agenda Item X1):**
RESOLVED – That the exempt information be noted.
17. **EXEMPT INFORMATION RELATING TO ITEM 7 IN PUBLIC SESSION – FRITH MANOR EQUESTRIAN CENTRE, LULLINGTON GARTH, MILL HILL, LONDON, N12 7BP (Report of the Cabinet Member for Resources and Performance – Agenda Item X3):**
RESOLVED – That the exempt information be noted.
18. **EXEMPT INFORMATION RELATING TO ITEM 8 IN PUBLIC SESSION – DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS GARAGE SITE (Report of the Cabinet Member for Resources and Performance – Agenda Item X4):**
RESOLVED – That the exempt information be noted.
19. **EXEMPT INFORMATION RELATING TO ITEM 10 IN PUBLIC SESSION - STANLEY ROAD PLAYING FIELDS AND FORMER HERBERT WILMOT CENTRE, EAST FINCHLEY N2 (Report of the Cabinet Member for Resources and Performance – Agenda Item X5):**
RESOLVED – That the exempt information be noted.
20. **EXEMPT INFORMATION RELATING TO ITEM 12 IN PUBLIC SESSION - AWARD OF CONTRACT – PARKING ENFORCEMENT AND RELATED SERVICES (Report of the Cabinet Member for Resources and Performance – Agenda Item X6):**
RESOLVED – That the exempt information be noted.

The meeting finished at 7.32pm.