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***Date: 08 December 2021***

Dear Councillor

### **Notification of Cabinet Decisions**

The decisions of the Cabinet meeting held on Monday 6 December 2021 are attached.

The call-in deadline is Monday 13 December 2021 at noon

The [call-in](#) form is attached for your use if needed and refers to the relevant sections of the constitution.

Yours sincerely

Democracy Services



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4	References from Scrutiny Panels	<p>RESOLVED: Cabinet agreed to implement the Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Panel recommendations as set out in paragraphs 2.6 to 2.9 below and agreed to report back to the Panel with an update in six months' time</p> <p>2.6 The Panel RESOLVED (six votes for, one abstention) to send the following recommendation to Cabinet;</p> <p>2.7. The Sustainable Communities Panel recommends Cabinet look at the feasibility of offering discounted access to our paid for waste services, to those residents on council tax support, in order to incentivize take up of these services and further increase the rate of recycling. This should include garden waste collection.</p> <p>2.8. Furthermore the Panel recommended (five votes for, two abstentions) that as a Council we lobby the government to accept central responsibility for producing effective policy and legislation to deter and deal with fly tipping.</p> <p>2.9. Lastly, all seven voting Members of the Panel agreed to recommend that the Council, over a suitable time frame, proactively writes to all those blocks of flats with communal recycling, with details on how to recycle correctly and avoid waste contamination.</p>
5	Business Plan 2022-26	<p>RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That Cabinet considered and agreed the draft unachievable savings/income proposals (Appendix 4) put forward by officers and referred them to the Overview and Scrutiny panels and Commission in January 2022 for consideration and comment.</li> <li>2. That Cabinet considered and agreed the new savings proposals for 2022/23 to 2025/26 (Appendix 3) and referred them to the Overview and Scrutiny panels and Commission in January 2022 for consideration and comment.</li> <li>3. That Cabinet considered and agreed the draft Capital Programme 2022-2026 (Appendix 5) and refers it to the Overview and Scrutiny panels and Commission in January 2022 for consideration and comment.</li> <li>4. That Cabinet agreed the proposed Council Tax Base for 2022/23 set out in paragraph 2.7 and Appendix 1.</li> <li>5. That Cabinet noted the opportunity set out in the Spending Review 2021 to enable social service authorities to apply an Adult Social Care Precept in 2022/23 and, subject to</li> </ol>

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		confirmation of this when the Referendum Principles are announced in the Local Government Finance Settlement 2022/23, agrees to incorporate this into the MTFS for 2022-26. 6. That Cabinet noted that Equalities Impact Assessments for each saving, where applicable, will be included in the Member's Information Pack for consideration in future meetings.																																																																																																																
6	Financial Monitoring Report - Period 7 October 2021	<p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>A. That Cabinet noted the financial reporting data for month 7, October 2021, relating to revenue budgetary control, showing a forecast net adverse variance at year end on net service expenditure of £5.732m, increasing to £8.534m, an increase of £847k over last month when corporate and funding items are included.</p> <p>B. That Cabinet noted the contents of Section 5, Appendix 5b and 5d of the report and approved the adjustments to the Capital Programme in the Table below:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Budget 2021-22</th> <th>Budget 2022-23</th> <th>Narrative</th> </tr> <tr> <th></th> <th>£</th> <th>£</th> <th></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td colspan="4"><b>Corporate Services</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Compulsory Purchase Order - Clarion</td> <td>(721,730)</td> <td></td> <td>No CPOs Required for Ravensbury</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Customer Contact Programme</td> <td>(200,000)</td> <td>200,000</td> <td>Re-profiled in line with projected spend</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Westminster Coroners Court</td> <td>(400,000)</td> <td>400,000</td> <td>Re-profiled in line with projected timing of spend, liaising with WCC</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="4"><b>Children, Schools and Families</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>West Wimb. - Capital Maintenance Budget</td> <td>(65,000)</td> <td>65,000</td> <td>Re-profiled in accordance with projected Spend</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hillcross - Capital Maintenance Budget</td> <td>(63,000)</td> <td>63,000</td> <td>Re-profiled in accordance with projected Spend</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Joseph Hood - Capital Maintenance Budget</td> <td>(45,000)</td> <td>45,000</td> <td>Re-profiled in accordance with projected Spend</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dundonald - Capital Maintenance Budget</td> <td>(20,000)</td> <td>20,000</td> <td>Re-profiled in accordance with projected Spend</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pelham - Capital Maintenance Budget</td> <td>(30,000)</td> <td>30,000</td> <td>Re-profiled in accordance with projected Spend</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wimb. 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7	Disposal of Surplus Property Assets	<p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>A. That the properties listed in the appendix be declared surplus to council requirements.</p> <p>B. That the properties listed in the appendix be marketed for housing as soon as they are ready for sale provided the Director of Environment and Regeneration, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance, considers that the market is favourable.</p> <p>C. That authority was delegated to the Director of Environment and Regeneration, in consultation with the Cabinet Member, to determine which of the properties listed in the appendix be sold on one or more of the following terms:  Option 1. Disposal to maximise capital receipt; or  Option 2. Disposal to provide redevelopment with 50% affordable Housing; or  Option 3. Disposal to provide redevelopment with 100% affordable housing.  And on such other terms as he considers are prudent and in the best interests of the Council in concluding a disposal of the properties.</p> <p>D. That the Director of Environment and Regeneration, in consultation with the Cabinet Member, is authorised to use delegated powers to make any other decisions that are required to facilitate the conclusion of the disposal of the properties.</p> <p>E. That members noted that work is underway on wider housing matters including selective licensing and an Article 4 Direction requiring planning permission for smaller Houses in Multiple Occupation set out in paragraphs 2.16-2.22.</p>																						
8	Award of term building services contracts for the planned preventative maintenance and reactive repairs of building services, plant and equipment	<p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>A. That Cabinet agreed to award new term contracts for the maintenance of the council's buildings for a period of 4 years to the contractors listed in Appendix A with potential extensions of 2 years plus one, starting from 01April 2022.</p> <p>B. In accordance with Contract Standing Orders (CSO 24.3) authority was delegated to the Director of Corporate Services to exercise, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance, the council's option to grant the extension of the contract term for any period up to three further years beyond the expiry of the initial contract term on 31 March 2026</p>																						

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<b>9</b>	Supply of Power	RESOLVED: A. That Cabinet agreed to award a 4+1 year contract for the supply of power to Bidder A. B. That authority to take up the optional 1 year extension on the contract was delegated to the Chief Officer & Director of Corporate Services. C. That Authority to take up the option to purchase Renewable Energy Guarantee of Origin Certificates (REGOs) via this contract was delegated to the Director of Corporate Services.
<b>10</b>	Exclusion of the public	
<b>13</b>	Update on CHAS - Appointment of financial advisers	The recommendations within the report were agreed.

## Merton Council - call-in request form

### 1. Decision to be called in: (required)

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### 2. Which of the principles of decision making in Article 13 of the constitution has not been applied? (required)

Required by part 4E Section 16(c)(a)(ii) of the constitution - tick all that apply:

(a) proportionality (i.e. the action must be proportionate to the desired outcome);	
(b) due consultation and the taking of professional advice from officers;	
(c) respect for human rights and equalities;	
(d) a presumption in favour of openness;	
(e) clarity of aims and desired outcomes;	
(f) consideration and evaluation of alternatives;	
(g) irrelevant matters must be ignored.	

### 3. Desired outcome

Part 4E Section 16(f) of the constitution- select one:

(a) The Panel/Commission to refer the decision back to the decision making person or body for reconsideration, setting out in writing the nature of its concerns.	
(b) To refer the matter to full Council where the Commission/Panel determines that the decision is contrary to the Policy and/or Budget Framework	
(c) The Panel/Commission to decide not to refer the matter back to the decision making person or body *	
* If you select (c) please explain the purpose of calling in the decision.	

**4. Evidence which demonstrates the alleged breach(es) indicated in 2 above (required)**

Required by part 4E Section 16(c)(a)(ii) of the constitution:

**5. Documents requested**

**6. Witnesses requested**

**7. Signed (not required if sent by email): .....**

**8. Notes – see part 4E section 16 of the constitution**

Call-ins must be supported by at least three members of the Council.

The call in form and supporting requests must be received by 12 Noon on the third working day following the publication of the decision.

The form and/or supporting requests must be sent:

- **EITHER** by email from a Councillor’s email account (no signature required) to [democratic.services@merton.gov.uk](mailto:democratic.services@merton.gov.uk)
- **OR** as a signed paper copy to the Head of Democracy and Electoral Services, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Civic Centre, London Road, Morden SM4 5DX.

For further information or advice contact the Head of Democracy and Electoral Services on 020 8545 3409