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Decision Taker: Cabinet

Appropriate Scrutiny Committee:
Scrutiny Committee

Date decision in force:

24/Apr/2015

Date of decision:

15/Apr/2015

Full description of decision:

To approve the decision to procure care and support at home services from 2016 onwards

Reasons for decision:

The decision to procure care and support at home services will

- Ensure that there are services in place to meet the care and support needs of people either now or in the future
- Support the Council to meet its obligations under the Care Act, specifically with regard to promoting well-being and market shaping and commissioning
- Allow fair and equal access to all interested providers to tender for care and support at home services
- Ensure value for money is achieved

Alternative options considered and rejected:

Do not procure care and support at home services - this option has been rejected as without a framework agreement with providers in the care and support sector, the Council will have no control over either the price of services or the quality of service provision. This may have a negative impact on: the Council's financial resources should providers choose to increase their prices; those needing care and support services; the care and support market which may become destabilised.

Title and author(s) of written report:

Procurement of Care and Support at Home - Report of the Executive Director of People Services

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Is this a key decision: Yes

Does the Decision contain Confidential/Exempt Information: No

Declarations of Interest and Dispensations:

None

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Full description of decision:

To :-

- a) Agree the Education and Skills Strategy for publication.
- b) To delegate to the Executive Director People Services, the authority to make non-substantive changes to the document prior to publication and, with the Education Leadership Board members, to agree how it is presented and launched.

Reasons for decision:

A new strategy will provide:

- A clear direction and identify a small number of significant initiatives.
- Ambitious goals and commitments which will improve performance.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

An alternative option would be to not have a strategy in place. The consequence of this would be that the city would not benefit from the clear direction that a strategy will bring and not achieve the collective commitments developed between partners that will lead to improved performance.

Title and author(s) of written report:

Education and Skills Strategy - Get Ready..... - Report of the Executive Director of People Services

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Full description of decision:

To:

- Agree to the disposal of land at Aster Terrace, Philadelphia, Sunderland to Tolent Construction Limited at a price which is the best reasonably obtainable and otherwise on terms to be agreed by the Executive Director of Commercial Development in consultation with the Leader and Cabinet Secretary.
- Agree to the disposal of land at Dene Street, Silksworth, Sunderland to Tolent Construction Limited at a price which is the best reasonably obtainable and otherwise on terms to be agreed by the Executive Director of Commercial Development in consultation with the Leader and Cabinet Secretary.

Reasons for decision:

To secure further investment in the city. Facilitating developments which will be of benefit to the Council through meeting demand for further extra care housing and meeting the objectives of the Council's Enabling and Independence Strategy. Providing a significant capital receipt to the Council, an increase in Business Rates and job opportunities.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

The alternative options are: -

- (i) Retain the land. The land would remain as it is, no extra care housing would be provided and the Council would continue to incur costs of holding the land.
- (ii) Advertise the site on the open market. The Council has received an offer for the sites without the costs and delay of marketing the opportunity. The offers comply with the Council's statutory duty to obtain the price which is the best reasonably obtainable for disposals of land which is supported by external valuation evidence. Any delay incurred from marketing the opportunities could compromise the ability to secure the government funding associated with the proposed developments which would make extra care housing unviable to be provided on these sites. Both options have been considered and are not recommended

Title and author(s) of written report:

Disposal of land at Aster Terrace, Philadelphia, Sunderland and land at Dene Street, Silksworth, Sunderland - Report of the Executive Director of Commercial Development

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Full description of decision:

To:

- a) Approve the enhanced seafront regeneration programme for Roker and Seaburn, and receipt of £0.540m from the Coastal Communities Fund (CCF) and £0.545m from the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF).
- b) Agree the inclusion of the funding for the CCF scheme and the HLF funding for Roker Pier within the Council's Capital Programme, and approve the resultant variation to the Capital Programme which will be reported to Scrutiny and Council for information.
- c) Authorise the Executive Director of Commercial Development, in consultation with the Cabinet Secretary, to procure and appoint contractor(s) to deliver all required infrastructure works.
- d) Authorise the Executive Director of Commercial Development, in consultation with the Cabinet Secretary, to procure and appoint contractors and/or consultants to deliver elements of the business support, events, and marketing activities of the CCF project where appropriate.

Reasons for decision:

The delivery of additional and enhanced infrastructure works at Roker and Seaburn are key to the ongoing regeneration of the seafront to provide improved visitor infrastructure and facilitate the ongoing development of Sunderland's coast. The delivery of business support, marketing and additional events through the CCF project will allow existing businesses, new business and the city to ensure it maximises the economic benefits that the seafront can deliver.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

The alternative option would be to not progress the projects. As set out above £0.540m of external funding has been secured from the CCF and the delivery team is progressing the design stages of the project. To carry out the works contractors must be procured following a competitive tender process.

Title and author(s) of written report:

Seafront Regeneration: Update and next phases - Report of the Executive Director of Commercial Development

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Full description of decision:

To agree to the freehold acquisition of approximately 3.2 hectares (8 acres) of land and buildings at Commercial Road, Hendon, Sunderland for a price detailed in the report and otherwise on terms to be agreed by the Executive Director of Commercial Development in consultation with the Leader and Cabinet Secretary.

Reasons for decision:

The proposed acquisition will secure interest in a property that is located in a strategically important position enabling the opportunity to support further development of the Port of Sunderland, provide scope for future operational requirements and having a suitable site to accommodate private sector requirements.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

The alternative option is to not acquire the property. This would result in losing the opportunity for the Council to accommodate potential future operational requirements. This option has been considered and is not recommended.

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Acquisition of land at Commercial Road, Hendon, Sunderland - Report of the Executive Director of Commercial Development

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