

MINUTES of a meeting of **CABINET** held on 9 May 2019 at County Hall, Matlock.

PRESENT

Councillor B Lewis (in the Chair)

Councillors A Dale, A Foster, C Hart, T King, S A Spencer and J Wharmby.

Also in attendance was Councillor A Western.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest made.

100/19 MINORITY GROUP LEADERS' QUESTIONS

There were no Minority Group Leader questions.

101/19 MINUTES RESOLVED that the non-exempt minutes of the meetings of Cabinet held on 18 April 2019 be confirmed as correct records and signed by the Chairman.

102/19 CABINET MEMBER MEETINGS - MINUTES RESOLVED to receive the non-exempt minutes of Cabinet Member meetings as follows:

- (a) Young People – 2 April 2019
- (b) Council Services – 4 April 2019
- (c) Health and Communities – 11 April 2019
- (d) Highways Transport and Infrastructure – 18 April 2019

103/19 IMPROVEMENT AND SCRUTINY REVIEW OF INITIATIVES TO PROMOTE STAFF WELLBEING AND GOOD MENTAL HEALTH Councillor T Kemp, Chairman of the Improvement and Scrutiny Committee – Resources, presented the final report of the review of initiatives to promote staff wellbeing and good mental health, a copy of which was appended to the report.

RESOLVED to note (1) the report and accepted all its recommendations;

(2) that, as recommendations were implemented, progress would be monitored by the Improvement and Scrutiny Committee – Resources at

strategic intervals according to the completed action plan to be provided to the Committee within two months of the date of the report.

104/19 APPRENTICESHIP PROCUREMENT (Council Services)
Approval was sought Cabinet was informed of the latest budget monitoring position for open capital schemes.

Derbyshire Adult Community Education Service (DACES) were the Council's preferred supplier for all apprenticeship training delivery. Where they were unable to deliver the required apprenticeship they, in conjunction with the employing department or school, went to the wider provider market to procure either a sub-contractor to deliver the off-the-job element of the apprenticeship or else a main provider to deliver the full programme. The procurement of apprenticeship learning delivery providers was subject to the Public Sector contracting regulations. Only providers that were on the Government's approved list of training providers (RoATP) could be contracted with to deliver the apprenticeship training.

Procuring external apprenticeship training providers had been challenging, so at its meeting on 11 September 2018 the Corporate Management Team (CMT) agreed that the Apprenticeship Reforms Project Board (ARPB) would investigate more cost effective approaches to procurement through the development of framework or partnership solutions. Research had been undertaken across the local government sector to establish current practices including evaluation of three apprenticeship provider procurement options in order to establish the best solution for the Council. These options were maintaining the Council's current open tendering practice, joining an existing or establishing a Derbyshire County Council procurement framework and implementing a Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS).

Based upon the findings, CMT considered a proposal that the Council implement a DPS and recommended that Cabinet approved this option as it provided the greatest flexibility in meeting the current and future apprenticeship procurement needs for the Council and local authority maintained schools. In making this recommendation it was made clear that DACES would always be considered first for delivery of any apprenticeships required by the Council.

A DPS was a procurement procedure available for contracts for works, services and goods. As a procurement tool, it had some aspects that are similar to a framework agreement, but where new suppliers could join at any time. As the DPS was open to suppliers throughout its duration, new start-ups, or businesses that wished to expand into new public sector markets would not be frozen out of the market meaning that the DPS provided more flexibility than traditional frameworks.

Derbyshire County Council's DPS would have a maximum value and duration stated in the initial procurement documentation. It was proposed that the Council's DPS would have a value of £2.2m per year, i.e. the total annual levy contribution made by the Council. To maximise any efficiencies it was also proposed that the initial DPS had a duration of 5 years, making the total value of the DPS £11m.

Stating the maximum figure would not preclude DACES from drawing down levy funding for the apprenticeship learning that the service delivered nor from the Council transferring levy funding into the broader Derbyshire economy to support the Council's Employment and Skills Strategy. It was noted that the DPS could not be utilised to procure providers under the Council's transfer of levy arrangements as the government's funding regulations did not allow this.

It was envisaged that the DPS would be available for use no later than autumn 2019.

RESOLVED to note the content of the report and agree to the implementation of a Dynamic Purchasing System as detailed in the report and specifically that:

- A Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) would be implemented as the preferred apprenticeship provider procurement model for the Council.
- The total value of the DPS would be £11m based upon £2.2m per annum with a 5 year duration.
- The initial DPS would be exclusive to Derbyshire County Council.
- The development, management, operation and governance of the DPS would be undertaken using existing resources and budgets from within Corporate Procurement, DACES and CCP Organisation Development teams.

105/19 OLDER PEOPLE'S HOUSING, ACCOMMODATION AND SUPPORT: A COMMISSIONING STRATEGY FOR DERBYSHIRE (Adult Social Care) Approval was sought for the implementation of the Older People's Housing, Accommodation and Support Commissioning Strategy for Derbyshire.

It was noted that Derbyshire's ageing population would result in the number of people aged 65 and over increasing by 58.5% by 2039. In the same period the number of people aged 90 and over was due to treble. Nationally and locally, life expectancy was increasing and this meant that individuals were living for longer with more complex needs and needed appropriate or specialist accommodation later in life. As a result, a new long-term approach to housing, accommodation and support to address the needs of older people was required and was detailed in the strategy attached as Appendix 1 to this report.

The Council and its strategic partners developed and agreed the 'Housing and accommodation for an ageing population: a strategic vision for Derbyshire to 2035', in 2018 and this informed the development of this strategy. The detailed modelling outlined the need for various types of accommodation for older people to 2035 and the data modelling was also included in the strategy as a clear baseline for the need which needed to be addressed through both commissioned and directly provided approaches.

The locality profiles outlined a need for a range of additional housing and accommodation to support older people in all districts and boroughs. The majority of people said that they wished to stay in their own home with appropriate care and support provided.

For more specialist accommodation specifically tailored to the needs of older people, the strategy outlined a number of design standards and set out examples of innovative contemporary housing and accommodation that had the potential to be delivered in Derbyshire. Other existing provision could be re-shaped to better meet the design or quality standards and make them more sustainable and fit for purpose for the future. The provision of a range of appropriate housing and accommodation for older people would contribute to timely hospital discharge, reducing length of stay in hospital, preventing hospital admissions and reducing the number of permanent admissions to residential care.

In summary the modelling suggested the following supply and demand for housing for the period to 2035:

- An estimated undersupply of appropriate housing for older people, including a likely undersupply of older peoples' housing for sale (private retirement housing).
- An estimated undersupply of housing with care, both for rent and for sale in all areas.
- A minimal additional net need for residential care provision. In most areas there was no net additional need for residential care provision.
- An estimated undersupply of nursing care beds in all areas.

A five year implementation plan was included with the strategy, outlining key activity and projects which needed to take place. Many of these high level actions required their own specific project management approach and governance. It was proposed that the implementation approach was reviewed on an annual basis to reflect the latest position in Derbyshire, to track progress and also take advantage of any new opportunities, such as new funding streams. The aim was to support a more commercially minded, enterprising and innovative attitude to how the recommendations were implemented.

Liaison was to take place with district and borough councils to ensure appropriate governance and oversight arrangements were in place for district specific proposals. New schemes, if appropriate, would be aligned with the One Public Estate Programme in Derbyshire so that public sector assets and land would be utilised to support the Council's strategic ambition for innovative approaches to older people's housing and accommodation.

RESOLVED to approve the implementation of the Older People's Housing, Accommodation and Support Commissioning Strategy for Derbyshire.

106/19 **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM THE MEETING**
RESOLVED that the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the remaining items on the agenda to avoid the disclosure of the kind of exempt information detailed in the following summary of proceedings.

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS CONDUCTED AFTER THE PUBLIC HAD BEEN EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING

1. To consider Minority Group Leaders' Questions (if any).
2. To confirm the Exempt Minutes of the meetings of Cabinet held on 18 April 2019.
3. To receive the exempt minutes of Cabinet Member meetings as follows:
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