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Resources and Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee 23 September 2024

RECOMMENDATIONS MONITORING REPORT

Recommendation(s) Including Date of Meeting and Minute Number	Actions Taken and Outcome	Completed, follow-up work required or added to Work Programme
<p><u>At the Committees meeting on 22 July 2024 (minute 50 refers)</u></p> <p><u>The Spendells Project</u></p> <p><u>RECOMMENDED to CABINET:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. That, once the Chief Executive’s formal review (on how the issue of unauthorised expenditure arose and developed in respect of the Spendells project) has been completed, the Cabinet reports on its lessons learnt;2. that the report referred to in (1) above should articulate a robust response and action plan for going forward;3. that a more detailed financial breakdown of the seven items not included in the specification for the Spendells project be reported to Cabinet; and	<p><u>This item is to be reported to Cabinet on 20 September 2024. An updated supplement will be published and circulated to the Members of this Committee, prior to the meeting of this Committee to be held on 23 September 2024, with the Cabinet’s response to the recommendations shown.</u></p>	

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<p>4. that Portfolio Holders review, with their Corporate Directors, the performance and project management of all existing projects within their respective portfolios and report their findings to the Leader of the Council by the end of September 2024 (and that this also then be submitted to this Committee at its next programmed meeting).</p>		
<p><u>At the Committees meeting on 5 March 2024 (minute 43 refers)</u></p> <p><u>Annual Capital and Treasury Strategy for 2024/25 (Including Prudential and Treasury Indicators)</u></p> <p>RECOMMENDED TO CABINET:</p> <p>that further clarity around the relative roles of consultation on the Council's key investment proposals and the significant financial constraints on the Council over the coming years to ensure that the reader of the Treasury Strategy would be clear on the relative roles.</p>	<p><u>These recommendations were submitted to Cabinet on 12 March 2024 (minute 104 refers).</u></p> <p>Having duly considered the comments/recommendations put forward by the Resources and Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee and in order to support the process of ensuring that a Capital and Treasury Strategy for 2024/25 was approved by Full Council before 1 April 2024:-</p> <p><u>RESOLVED that Cabinet –</u></p> <p>a) notes the contents of the attached earlier Officer report to the Corporate Finance and Governance Portfolio Holder; and</p>	

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	<p>b) agrees the Annual Capital and Treasury Strategy for 2024/25 (including Prudential and Treasury Indicators) and that it be submitted to Council for approval.</p>	
<p><u>The Committees Meeting 5 March 2024 (minute 44 refers)</u></p> <p><u>On street parking arrangements in the District</u></p> <p>RECOMMENDED TO CABINET:</p> <p>that alongside and in addition to the recommendations being considered by the Cabinet on 12 March 2024 concerning the Council’s membership of the North Essex Parking Partnership, the following options be authorised as part of the negotiations with Partnership and Essex County Council (ECC):</p> <p>(1) The return of all on-street parking and management to the district by means of a service level agreement with ECC creating a situation where local parking enforcement would be tailored to meet local needs by this Council. This Council would operate the on-street service at nil cost with surpluses paid to ECC for local highway related schemes and any</p>	<p><u>These recommendations were submitted to Cabinet on 12 March 2024 (minute 106 refers).</u></p> <p>Having duly considered the recommendations put forward by the Resources and Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the available options:-</p> <p><u>RESOLVED that -</u></p> <p>(a) in consideration of the lack of financial information on the level of deficits for 2023/24 and future longer term financial sustainability of the North Essex Parking Partnership (NEPP), the options available to protect the Council’s position be noted;</p> <p>(b) the feedback from the Resources and Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee’s enquiry at its meeting on 5th March 2023 be noted and welcomed;</p> <p>(c) the Leader of the Council and the Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Public</p>	

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<p>losses would be met by this Council; or</p> <p>(2) For delegated authority to be given to this Council’s enforcement staff to enforce on-street parking within Tendring alongside officers from the NEPP. In this option, this Council would not seek any financial remuneration for this arrangement.”</p>	<p>Realm, in discussion and consultation with Cabinet Members, be authorised to decide whether to service a Notice of Withdrawal from the NEPP following the meeting of the Joint Committee on 21st March 2024;</p> <p>(d) subject to (c) above, cabinet approves such decision being taken up to 31st March 2025, being supported with a detailed report on the updated position and the assessment of risk to the Council;</p> <p>(e) the Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Public Realm, in consultation with the relevant Officers, be authorised to seek a variation to the Partnership Agreement to allow a Notice of Withdrawal to be served coinciding in a timely manner with the receipt and consideration of financial information certified by the NEPP Treasurer and/or to allow a Notice of Withdrawal to be rescinded upon receipt of such information being provided; and</p> <p>(f) the Leader of the Council and the Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Public Realm, in consultation with the relevant Officers, be authorised to finalise and request any additional information in respect of financial and governance matters required to support resolutions (c) and (d) above.</p>	
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Recommendations monitoring for those recommendations from earlier meetings of the Committee have been previously reported to the Committee and, as such, are not repeated here as there is no further update to be provided on them.