



Woking Borough Council

Decisions taken by the Executive on Thursday 17 October 2024

The following decisions were made by the Executive at its meeting on **Thursday 17 October 2024**. This decision sheet is not intended to represent the formal record of the meeting. The formal minutes will be published in due course.

These decisions will take effect on Monday 28 October 2024. The deadline for call-in of any of these decisions for scrutiny (within five working days) will be **Friday 25 October 2024** (in accordance with Part 4: Section 5 of the Council's Constitution).

Should you have any questions about any decision that has been made, please email the Democratic Services Team at democratic.services@woking.gov.uk

Agenda Item	Decisions Taken
Part 1 – Items Considered in Public	
6.	Woking For All Strategy EXE24-082 The Executive RESOLVED That the draft framework for the refreshed Woking For All Strategy (WFAS) be agreed to enable the next stage of development to be undertaken. Reason: To enable the adoption of a refreshed Woking Borough Council Corporate Plan.

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7.	Update on General Fund and Housing Revenue Account Budgets 2025-26 EXE24-090	<p>The Executive RESOLVED</p> <p>That (i) the current assessment and categorisation of the approved 2024/25 budget into the three categories of “one-off”, “debt overhang” and “underlying” elements, be noted;</p> <p>(ii) the process put in place to compile the 2025/26 Budget and Medium-Term Financial Strategy [MTFS] be noted and endorsed;</p> <p>(iii) the planned timetable and schedule of activities to deliver a final Budget and MTFS report at the end of February / beginning of March 2025 be noted and endorsed; and</p> <p>(iv) the proposed approach to consultation on the proposed budget be noted and endorsed.</p> <p>Reason: The Council is legally required to set a budget (considering the longer-term outlook through an MTFS, which is, in the opinion of the s151 Officer, robust and allows for adequate future levels of reserves to manage potential risk levels. The report appraises Members of the work undertaken and planned to provide Council with budget options that meet those requirements.</p> <p>The development and delivery of a sustainable and balanced budget is integral to the over-arching Woking For All Strategy, which is the Council’s corporate plan. The overall approach to setting the 2025/26 budget remains in accordance with the guiding principles adopted by the Council in July 2023, and in particular included the need to be a smaller and more efficient Council, looking to fund non-statutory</p>

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		services only where they were self-funded.
8.	UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) EXE24-085	<p>The Executive RESOLVED</p> <p>That (i) £50,000 of UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) be re-allocated and used to renew the Digital Inclusion project; and</p> <p>(ii) a change request be submitted to Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG).</p> <p>Reason: The Digital Inclusion project meets the UKSPF criteria for the funding available, whilst also supporting the Council’s strategic objectives.</p>
9.	Asset Disposal EXE24-053	<p>The Executive RESOLVED</p> <p>That (i) following a competitive open market disposal process and subject to vacant possession being achieved, the site should be sold freehold to the successful selected bidder;</p> <p>(ii) authority be delegated to the Strategic Director - Communities, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Housing and the Director of Legal and Democratic Services, to complete the sale on the basis of the agreed Heads of Terms; and</p> <p>(iii) authority be delegated to the Strategic Director - Communities, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Housing, to make any further decisions required in respect of the final decommissioning of the building in order to achieve vacant possession which is a condition of</p>

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		<p align="center">the sale.</p> <p>Reason: To provide residents with a clear plan around the closure of Brockhill Extra Care scheme and the long-term future for the site.</p>

Part 2 – Items Considered in Private

11.	Asset Disposal EXE24-054	<p>The Executive RESOLVED</p> <p>That the commercially sensitive information, in support of the Asset Disposal report under Part I of the agenda, be noted.</p> <p>Reason: To provide residents with a clear plan around the closure of Brockhill Extra Care scheme and the long-term future for the site.</p>
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