

Notes of Key Decisions/ Action Points

Meeting: Council

Date: 24 September 2014

Before the Council meeting a ceremony took place to grant:

Freedom of Entry into the Borough of Dacorum to the Royal Anglian Regiment;

and to admit three new Honorary Freemen of the Borough:

Heather Allen MBE;
David Furnell; and
Daniel Zammit.

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Decision</u>
Item 1 Minutes	The minutes of the meeting held on 9 July 2014 were agreed by the Members present and were then signed by the Mayor.
Item 2 Declarations of Interest	There were no declarations of interest.
Item 3 Public Participation	None
Item 4 Announcements	<p>1. By the Mayor: The Mayor made no announcements.</p> <p>2. By the Chief Executive: None</p> <p>3. By the Group Leaders: Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Ayling, Bhinder, Collins, Macdonald, Marshall and Organ and Wixted.</p> <p>4. By the Leader and Members of the Cabinet: (Full details are in the minutes under Announcements of the Leader and Cabinet).</p>
Item 5 Questions	None.
Item 6 Business from last Council	None.
Item 7 Referrals from	<u>Resolved</u>

Cabinet 22 July
and 16 September
2014.

That the following be approved:

22 July 2014

7.1 Jellico Water Gardens Restoration: Update on Parks for People Application and Delivery Project (CA/094/14)

1. To reprofile the approved budget of £3,251,827 within the Capital Programme for the delivery of the restoration of the Jellicoe Water Gardens following the second round pass from the Heritage Lottery Fund / Big Lottery Fund as set out in Appendix 2 of the report.
2. To increase the revenue budget by £190k and approve a revenue budget of £548,249 profiled to 2020/21 to support the delivery of the Jellicoe Water Gardens Activity Plan and Management Plan as set out in Appendix 2 of the report, with £276,364 funded from the Dacorum Development Reserve and the balance being grant funded.

16 September 2014

7.2 Treasury Management (CA/111/14)

Acceptance of the report on Treasury Management performance in 2013/14 and the Prudential Indicators for 2013/14 actuals.

7.3 Budget Monitoring Quarter 1 2014/15 (CA/112/14)

The supplementary budgets set out below be approved. Details for these supplementary budgets are set out in the detail of the report to the Cabinet and have a net nil impact on the General Fund Balance, the HRA Balance and the Useable Capital Receipts Balance:

General Fund Revenue Account

- Reduce use of Pensions Reserve by £745k
- Reduce pensions back-funding budget by £745k
- Increase Pensions Reserve by £273k
- Reduce pensions budget by £273k
- Reduce use of Management of Change Reserve by £15k
- Reduce ICT salaries budget by £15k
- Increase Revenues & Benefits agency staff by £120k
- Increase Revenues & Benefits grant income by £120k
- Increase use of Management of Change Reserve by £32k
- Increase Regulatory Services redundancy budget by £32k
- Increase Planning Income by £14k
- Increase Planning Employee budget by £14k
- Reduce General Fund Revenue Contribution to Capital by £219k

- Increase Waste Services employees budget by £110k and supplies and services budget by £109k

Housing Revenue Account

- Reduce HRA revenue contribution to capital by £1m
- Increase HRA repairs and maintenance budget by £1m

Capital Programme

- Reduce Waste & Recycling Service Improvements by £219k
- Reduce General Fund financing from revenue contribution to capital by £219k
- Reduce HRA Planned Fixed Expenditure by £1m
- Reduce HRA financing from revenue contribution to capital by £1m.

7.4 Garage Disposal Strategy (CA/113/14)

A supplementary budget of £100k to fund the project costs associated with the garage disposal strategy, and for this to be funded from a £100k drawn down from the Dacorum Development reserve.

7.5 Medium Term Financial Strategy (CA/114/14)

The revised Medium Term Financial Strategy for the period 2014/15 to 2018/19; incorporating the following recommendations:

- a) approve the amended timetable for the future revision of the Strategy (as set out in Section 2 on Page 9;)
- b) approve a General Fund saving target of £0.9m for 2015/16 subject to confirmation that potential savings of £1.846m (as set out in section 3.1.3 on Page 14 of the Strategy)
- c) approve a combined four year General Fund savings target of £4.7m over the life of the Strategy
- d) to approve the timetable for identifying and delivering budget savings (as set out in Section 7 on pages 23 to 25);
- e) to approve the risk register identified together with planned mitigations in the Strategy
- f) to approve the key assumptions incorporated in the Medium Term Financial Strategy, (as summarised in Section 11 on Page 35 of the report).

7.6 The Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 (CA/115/14)

1. That paragraph 17.4 'Record of Proceedings' of the Procedure Rules for the Council and its Committees contained in Part 4 of the Constitution be amended so as

	<p>to read as follows –</p> <p>17.4 Recording and Reporting of Proceedings</p> <p><i>Those present may make a written record of the proceedings and while a meeting is open to the public, any person attending is to be permitted to report on the meeting in accordance with the Council’s ‘Protocol for Members of the Public Wishing to Report on Meetings’.</i></p> <p>2. That the Cabinet Procedure Rules contained in Part 4 of the Constitution be amended by the insertion of a new paragraph 6 –</p> <p>6. Recording and Reporting of Proceedings</p> <p><i>Those present may make a written record of the proceedings and while a meeting is open to the public, any person attending is to be permitted to report on the meeting in accordance with the Council’s ‘Protocol for Members of the Public Wishing to Report on Meetings’.</i></p> <p>The existing paragraph 6 shall remain and become paragraph 7.</p> <p>3. To adopt the ‘Protocol for Members of the Public Wishing to Report on Meetings’ as set out in this report and that it be included in the Constitution as an annex to the Rules of Procedure in Part 4 of the Constitution.</p>
<p>Item 8 Overview & Scrutiny Committee Referrals</p>	<p>None.</p>
<p>Item 9 Changes To Committee Membership</p>	<p>None.</p>
<p>Item 10 Changes in Committee Dates</p>	<p>None.</p>
<p>Item 11 Exclusion of the Public</p>	<p>That, under S.100A (4) of the Local government Act 1972 the public be excluded during the items in Part 2 of the Agenda for this meeting, because it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, that if members of the public were present during these items there would be disclosure to them of exempt information relating to:</p> <p>1. The financial and business affairs of other bodies including Dacorum Borough Council (agenda item 12);</p>

	<p>2. An individual and which is likely to reveal the identity of that individual (agenda item 13).</p> <p><u>(LGA 1972, Part V, Schedule 12A Part 1, Paragraph 3)</u></p>
<p>Item 12 Part 2 Referral from Cabinet 16 September 2014</p>	<p><u>Garage Disposal Strategy (CA/117/14)</u></p> <p>The decision was made in part 1 of the meeting (agenda item 7.4).</p>
<p>Item 13 Appointments Committee Referral</p>	<p>That the recommendation as detailed in the referral be approved.</p> <p>Full details are in the part 2 decision sheet.</p>

The meeting ended at 9.08 pm