

Finance and Resources OSC Action Points

Date of meeting	Action point	Responsible officer	Date action completed	Response
09/03/21	<p><u>Item: Budget Monitoring</u></p> <p>Councillor Adeleke referred to the transport costs on page 11 and sought clarification on what the small variation was for.</p> <p>N Howcutt said he would need to come back to him on that.</p>	Nigel Howcutt	07/04/21	Overall a reduction in transport spend of £3k (1%) that is made up various small under and overspends across the diverse transport budget.
09/03/21	<p><u>Item: Budget Monitoring</u></p> <p>Councillor Symington said she had seen on the news recently that councils have been using incinerators to get rid of some of their recycling waste. She queried whether Dacorum had been involved in doing this.</p> <p>N Howcutt advised we have our recycling waste picked up and taken to a site to be sorted and then recycled. As far as he was aware this process had continued. He said he would investigate and let the committee know so they could be sure.</p>	Nigel Howcutt	07/04/21	Recycling waste is not incinerated. The co-mingled waste is sorted by the recycling waste contractor and then sent for recycling. I believe there has been a recent paper presented to SPAE Scrutiny in regards to where all the DBC waste goes.
09/03/21	<p><u>Item: IRP Report</u></p> <p>F Hussain said she understood that any requests for IT equipment should be passed on through the IT department.</p>	Mark Brookes	27/05/21	<p>Within the Member Expenses budget there is a small sum of a maximum £50 a year for each councillor for the purchase of ICT Accessories & Consumables</p> <p>The budget is used to buy equipment that does not form part of the standard ICT issue to Councillors, that it is</p>

	<p>B Trueman agreed that requests should come to the IT service desk. He said there was a core set of equipment that is provided and then there were additional pieces of equipment that would be outside of their budget so in that instance they would ask democratic services for a cost code.</p> <p>Councillor Symington advised that requests had gone through democratic services and suggested that some of the things that had been said and done possibly wouldn't have happened if there had been more awareness of this allowance. She asked that going forward, could members be made aware of and be given access to this sort of useful information.</p> <p>M Brookes suggested he could put together some guidance as to what that money was for and to ensure it was fairly claimed. This will be publicised through member's news.</p>			<p>deemed necessary for an individual, or group of individuals, to be able to carry out their duties.</p> <p>This may be a special adaptation that is required to suit a specific need of an individual, or an add-on to devices that is considered beneficial to all. The budget is not meant to be used for the purchase of home office equipment, printer cartridges, paper or any other consumables, which is contrary to the Council's paperless work environment.</p> <p>Add-ons will be looked and suggested by Member Support and offered to all Councillors. Specific requests from individuals for adaptations to suit their specific needs should be requested via member.support@dacorum.gov.uk for assessment.</p>
09/03/21	<p><u>Item: Q3 Performance Report - Corporate and Contracted Services</u></p> <p>Councillor Tindall referred to the developing Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan on page 54. He queried if there was a timeline on when that was going to be discussed.</p> <p>B Hosier said he would investigate and</p>	Ben Hosier	7/4/21	<p>I have discussed this question with Mark Gaynor, and he has responded as follows: <i>'We developed an Action Plan in early 2020, which, with some changes and additions, we are working to. So we do have an existing strategy and action plan. The intention is to refine this, update it with a particular focus on action to reduce the Council's own emissions as the priority. A progress report to SPEOSC on 23/3/21, and then on to Cabinet, will demonstrate what has been and is</i></p>

	come back to members with a response.			<p><i>programmed. Many areas of work require a degree of technical information to ensure that interventions meet desired results.</i></p> <p><i>One example of this is the retrofitting of our Council homes and devising a long-term strategy that meet the specific needs of the property types.</i></p> <p><i>It is intended that an updated strategy and action plan will be developed for Members consideration in the Summer'.</i></p>
09/03/21	<p><u>Item: Q3 Performance Report - Corporate and Contracted Services</u></p> <p>Councillor Symington asked if there was an update on the ongoing discussions between DBC, HCC and Berkhamsted Town Council in relation to a potential TTRO (Temporary Traffic Regulation Order) on Berkhamsted High Street.</p> <p>B Hosier advised that there had been correspondence sent through from HCC at the end of last week to the Leader of the Council with some final proposals. The Leader has been looking at it over the weekend and is due to go back to HCC at some point this week, either to clarify some further parts or to make a decision.</p> <p>Councillor Symington sought clarification on the process of that decision.</p> <p>B Hosier replied he believed it was just an operational decision that would be made by the Portfolio Holder but he would need</p>	Ben Hosier	7/4/21	<p>I have discussed this question with both the Leader and Mark Brookes, and the response is as follows:</p> <p><i>As Portfolio Holder with the responsibility the Leader has asked for a PH Decision Sheet to be drafted showing the following:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>1. The agreement to temporary changes to current parking arrangements on Berkhamsted High Street as agreed with Hertfordshire County Council and Berkhamsted Town Council.</i> <i>2. Agreement to formally consult on proposed changes to current parking arrangements on Prince Edward Street.</i> <p><i>The PH Decision Sheet will then follow the Council's call-in process.</i></p> <p><i>The drafting of the PH Decision Sheet is dependent on receiving acceptance from HCC that they will not commence any work on the High Street until after the decision has concluded the call-in process.</i></p>

	to speak to the Portfolio Holder responsible for parking for clarification.			
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