

**City of Wolverhampton Council – Decisions taken by the Council on Wednesday, 13 December 2017**

<b>Agenda Item No</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Decision</b>
<b>5</b>	Capital programme 2017-2018 to 2021-2022 quarter two review	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the revised medium term General Fund capital programme of £339.3 million, an increase of £9.2 million from the previously approved programme, reflecting the latest projected expenditure for the medium term be approved.</li> <li>2. That the net additional General Fund resources of £9.2 million be approved for; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. forty new projects totalling £26.3 million;</li> <li>ii. thirty three existing projects net reduction totalling £17.1 million.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
<b>6</b>	Treasury Management Activity Monitoring – Mid Year Review 2017-2018	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That it be noted, that a mid-year review of the Treasury Management Strategy Statement had been undertaken and the Council had operated within the limits and requirements approved in March 2017.</li> <li>2. That it be noted, that savings of £1.1 million for the General Fund and £643,000 for the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) were forecast from treasury management activities in 2017-2018.</li> </ol>
<b>7</b>	Polling Stations	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That two polling stations in Wednesfield North ward be merged to be one double station and the number of polling stations in Graiseley ward be reduced from seven to six be approved.</li> <li>2. That authority be delegated to the Returning Officer to make such changes to polling stations arrangements as may be operationally necessary to ensure the smooth and efficient delivery of the elections in 2018.</li> </ol>
<b>8</b>	Changes to the Constitution	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the new format of the Council's Constitution be adopted.</li> <li>2. That changes to the current content as summarised in the Special Advisory Group report and detailed in Appendix 1 to that report be adopted subject to:</li> </ol>

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		<p>a. The proposed change to Part 4 – Financial Procedure Rules, to enable timely decisions in relation to new external funding received by the Council being amended by the inclusion of the words ‘or Cabinet (Resources) Panel’ between the words ‘Cabinet’ and ‘and’ to read as follows:</p> <p>“Where all of the following apply, an overall increase or decrease in the Council’s total budget may be approved Cabinet <b>or Cabinet (Resources) Panel</b> and not require the approval by Council.”</p> <p>and at the end of clause (iv) to read as follows:</p> <p>“(iv) The Section 151 Officer agrees that approval may be granted by Cabinet <b>or Cabinet (Resources) Panel.</b>”</p> <p>b. The proposed change to Part 4 - Contract Procedure Rules (Section 3.10) being amended to require the Cabinet Member for Governance to approve the engagement of agency staff above a day rate of £500 and for the Human Resources Business Partner to approve engagements with a day rate below £500; and</p> <p>That quarterly report on the use of Agency Staff also be submitted to Cabinet (Resources) Panel for information.</p> <p>3. That the Director of Governance be authorised to implement the new format and the changes set out in Appendix 1 of the Special Advisory Group report, as now with immediate effect.</p> <p>4. That it be noted, that further amendments to the Constitution would be presented in May 2018.</p>

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<b>9</b>	Municipal Calendar of Meetings 2018-2019	1. That the City of Wolverhampton Council Calendar of Meetings for 2018-2019 attached as appendix 1 to the report be endorsed.
<b>10</b>	Executive Business	That the summary of executive business be received.