

Attendance

Members of the Cabinet (Resources) Panel

Cllr Stephen Simkins (Chair)
Cllr Obaida Ahmed
Cllr Chris Burden
Cllr Craig Collingswood
Cllr Steve Evans
Cllr Bhupinder Gakhal
Cllr Jasbir Jaspal
Cllr Louise Miles

Employees

Tim Johnson	Chief Executive
Mark Taylor	Deputy Chief Executive
Emma Bennett	Executive Director of Families
Ian Fegan	Director of Communications and Visitor Experience
Charlotte Johns	Director of Strategy
Richard Lawrence	Director of Regeneration
David Pattison	Chief Operating Officer
John Roseblade	Director of Resident Services
Alison Shannon	Chief Accountant
Jaswinder Kaur	Democratic Services and Systems Manager
Dereck Francis	Democratic Services Officer

Part 1 – items open to the press and public

Item No. *Title*

- 1 Councillor Ian Brookfield**
Councillor Stephen Simkins was saddened to announce the death of the Leader of the City of Wolverhampton Council, Councillor Ian Brookfield who passed away on Sunday 2 July 2023 after a fearless battle with cancer.

Cabinet (Resources) Panel stood in silent tribute to the late Councillor Ian Brookfield.
- 2 Apologies for absence**
Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor Paula Brookfield.

3 **Declarations of interest**

No declarations of interests were made.

4 **Minutes of the previous meeting**

Resolved:

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 24 June 2023 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

5 **Procurement - Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services**

Councillor Obaida Ahmed presented the report on the latest procurement activity coming forward this month for approval from Public Health. The procurement. The contract would ensure opportunities for local voluntary and community sector organisations and would support delivery of the Council's Our City: Our Plan priorities.

Resolved:

That authority be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing in consultation with the Director of Public Health, to approve the award of a contract and allocation of the budget of £569,000 per annum for Voluntary and Community Services - delivering Our City, Our Plan when the evaluation process is complete.

6 **LEP Gainshare monies for Digital Innovation purposes**

Councillor Obaida Ahmed presented the report seeking approval to use the Council's allocation of Local Enterprise Partnership Gainshare monies to support the digital innovation priority of the Digital Wolverhampton Strategy, in particular to transform delivery of services and develop new applications to unlock potential.

Resolved:

1. That authority be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Resources and Digital, in consultation with Director of Strategy and Director of Finance to:
 - a. Approve allocation of Gainshare funding to support the digital innovation priority of the Digital Wolverhampton Strategy as a proof-of-concept fund.
 - b. Authorise the Council to enter into a Collaboration Agreement with Walsall Metropolitan Borough Council as accountable body for Gainshare funding.
 - c. Approve the establishment and spend within the Digital Infrastructure budget in line with the Collaboration Agreement.
 - d. Approve further changes to support our smart city ambitions.

7 **Exclusion of press and public**

Resolved:

That in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the remaining item of business as it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

Part 2 - exempt items, closed to press and public

8 Procurement - Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services

Councillor Obaida Ahmed presented, for approval, the exempt report on the award of a contract for NHS Support (Maternity and 0-19 Service) to the Family Hubs and Start for Life Programme and on a variation to three lots under the contract for Services to People who are Victims of Domestic Violence and Abuse. The report also included, for information, exemptions to Contract Procedure Rules approved by the Head of Procurement and Director of Finance from 1 to 31 May 2023.

Resolved:

1. That the contract for NHS Support (Maternity and 0-19 Service) to the Family Hubs and Start for Life Programme be awarded to The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust of Wolverhampton Road, Heath Town, Wolverhampton, WV10 0QP for a duration of two years from 1 August 2023 to 31 July 2025 for a total contract value of 691,783.
2. That lot one of the contract with The Haven Wolverhampton of 18 Waterloo Road, Wolverhampton, WV1 4BL for services for women and children who are victims of domestic abuse be varied with a variation value of £19,984.40 per annum.
3. That lot two of the contract with The Haven Wolverhampton of 18 Waterloo Road, Wolverhampton, WV1 4BL for services for women and children who are victims of domestic abuse be varied with a variation value of £7,763.40 per annum.
4. That lot three of the contract with St Georges Hub of St Mark's Road, Wolverhampton, WV3 0QH for services for male victims of domestic abuse be varied with a variation value of £3,375 in year six and £4,370 in year seven.
5. That the exemptions to the Contract Procedure Rules approved by the Head of Procurement and Director of Finance from 1 to 31 May 2023 be noted.