

Meeting of the City Council

18 July 2018

Report title	Executive Business	
Referring body	Cabinet, 25 April 2018 and 6 June 2018	
Wards affected	All Wards	
Cabinet Members with lead responsibility	Councillor Hazel Malcolm, Public Health and Wellbeing Councillor John Reynolds, City Economy Councillor Sandra Samuels OBE, Adults Councillor Paul Sweet, Children and Young People	
Accountable directors	Tim Johnson, Deputy Managing Director Mark Taylor, Strategic Director, People Meredith Teasdale, Director of Education David Watts, Director of Adults' Services Emma Bennett, Director of Children's Services	
Originating services	Public Health, Adult Education Service, Adult Social Care, Children and Young People	
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Report to be/has been considered by	Cabinet	25 April 2018 6 June 2018

Recommendation for decision:

The Council is recommended to:

Receive the summary of executive business and for Cabinet Members to answer any questions thereon.

Cabinet, 25 April 2018

**Executive business including
Policy development/operational issues**

Councillor Hazel Malcolm, Public Health and Wellbeing

- **Delivery of Emergency Planning and Business Continuity Management**
 - Cabinet approved the Council entering into a Collaboration Agreement with West Midlands Fire Service for the day to day management and delivery of the Council's emergency planning and business continuity management service.
 - Cabinet also approved the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) (TUPE) of City of Wolverhampton Council employees to West Midlands Fire Service and the delegation of authority to proceed with the implementation of the proposal.
 - The Collaboration Agreement would achieve a more resilient, co-ordinated inter-agency and effective service that would benefit from existing synergies between the City of Wolverhampton Council and the West Midlands Fire Service's respective emergency planning functions.
 - The Council would remain as the principal authority with regards to their statutory obligations for civil contingencies and the Cabinet portfolio holder would retain overall responsibility for the strategic direction, budget setting and performance monitoring of the civil protection and emergency management service.

Councillor John Reynolds, City Economy

- **Implementation of the Devolution Agreement for the Adult Education Budget**
 - Cabinet approved the making of a draft Devolution Order to transfer powers to the West Midlands Combined Authority for Adult Education Budget functions and funding from the 2019-2020 academic year.
 - Cabinet also approved the delegation of necessary powers to the Combined Authority to approve the final draft Devolution Order and that the Managing Director would be authorised to give any necessary consent on behalf of the Council to the making of the Order and to approve the final draft Order.
 - The approval of the recommendations ensured that the Department of Education would have all authority to fully devolve the Adult Education Budget by the 2019-2020 academic year.

Cabinet, 6 June 2018

**Executive business including
Policy development/operational issues**

Councillor Hazel Malcolm, Public Health and Wellbeing

• **Public Health Annual Report**

- Cabinet approved the publication of the Public Health Annual Report.
- The Health and Social Care Act 2012 stated that the Director of Public Health must prepare and publish an annual report on the health of the people in the area of a local authority.
- The report provided a baseline of the scale of the problems faced by Wolverhampton both as a whole and by illustrating ward profiles. The report also detailed the planned improvements in the quality of contracted and mandatory services.
- Key areas included the life expectancy and healthy life expectancy for males and females in Wolverhampton, the workstreams set following the reorganisation of the Council's Public Health team and the aim for improving performance to the top quartile for each service.

Councillor Sandra Samuels OBE, Adults and Councillor Paul Sweet, Children and Young People

• **Principal Social Worker Annual Report**

- Cabinet approved the main priorities for the Principal Social Worker identified for 2018-2019.
- The role of the Principal Social Worker was set to create a clear line of communication between frontline staff and senior management; to champion best practice; encourage a reflective approach; help to reduce time spent on process-drive activities and to support social workers.
- A key function of the Principal Social Worker was to promote and embed a whole family approach across the Council's services. This would ensure better working together across services, inspire greater aspirations for children, families and adults with additional needs, as well as ensuring the concept of wellbeing featured in all work undertaken by Social Care.