

Meeting of the City Council

16 September 2020

Report title	Decisions Made Under Urgent Action Powers	
Referring body	N/A	
Councillor to present report	Councillor Ian Brookfield	
Wards affected	All Wards	
Cabinet Member with lead responsibility	Councillor Ian Brookfield Leader of the Council	
Accountable director	David Pattison, Director of Governance	
Originating service	Governance	
Accountable employee	Jaswinder Kaur Tel Email	Democratic Services Manager 01902 550320 jaswinder.kaur@wolverhampton.gov.uk
Report to be/has been considered by		

Recommendation for decision:

The Council is recommended to:

1. To note all the decisions made under the Council's Urgent Action Powers.

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform the Council of decisions taken under the Council's Urgent Action Powers since the last Council meeting.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 In the light of the Covid-19 situation the Council had to, as a result of the Government's decision on restriction of movement, cancel all Council/Committee meetings until legislation was in place, which allowed remote meetings, and then once that was in place meetings were reintroduced on a phased basis with the first Council meeting since 3 March 2020 taking place on 16 September 2020. In the intervening period the Council's urgent action powers had to be used for any decisions that had to be taken and could not be deferred. These powers were used sparingly and the guiding principles for any decisions were that:

- only those decisions that have to be made (i.e. as a result of Covid-19 or related matters, including support of businesses in this difficult time or as a result of an immovable deadline) would be made.
- the decisions would be made available on a regular basis to Councillors through the update to Councillors and in any event through a weekly roundup of the decisions made through the relevant pages on the Council's website so that the Public can access them.
- the decisions made would be reported to the next available Council

- 2.2 The relevant powers under the Constitution are:

Council Decision

6.10 Urgent Decisions outside the Budget or Policy Framework

An urgent decision which is contrary to the Policy Framework or budget adopted by the Council may be taken by the Cabinet if the Chair of the Scrutiny Board agrees that the decision is urgent. If no such Chair is available (or willing) then the Mayor or in his/her absence the Deputy Mayor may agree that it is urgent before a decision is taken.

6.11 Cabinet Decision

Where an urgent decision on a matter delegated to the Cabinet is required but it is not feasible to arrange a meeting of the Cabinet, the appropriate Director, in conjunction with the Head of Paid Service is authorised to take the appropriate urgent action provided that the action shall have first been discussed with and approved in writing by the Leader (or in the Leader's absence, the Deputy Leader) and two other Cabinet Members and the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Scrutiny Board or their nominees.

The written authorisation must include details of the proposal and the justification for the course of action. Expenditure must be within existing budgets. Any action taken under this rule must be reported to the next available meeting of the Cabinet for information. Such decisions will not be subject to the usual Call In procedures set out in Part 4, although they may be examined after implementation to determine whether the justification for the course of action was appropriate.

- 2.3 This report sets out the decisions that have been made using the Urgent Action powers under the Constitution.

3.0 Urgent Action Powers

- 3.1 The table below details all the decisions taken under the Council's Urgent Action Power's:

Part 1 – Open Items

Our Council

Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Steve Evans Councillor Louise Miles Councillor Paul Sweet	27 March 2020	Alison Shannon 01902 554561
Title and summary of decision		
Amendments to Council Budget and decisions related to Council actions as result of Covid-19 <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Established supplementary expenditure budgets totaling £9,375,304 funded by the COVID 19 Emergency Funding for Local Government Grant to support additional costs and loss of income relating to COVID 19.2. Drawdown £2 million from the Budget Contingency Reserve to support expenditure on COVID 19 projects in excess of the above grant allocation.3. Established supplementary expenditure budgets totaling £10,502 funded by grant to support rough sleepers to self-isolate as a result of COVID 19.4. Delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for Resources, in consultation with the Director of Finance to approve all virements required to support the additional costs and loss of income relating to COVID 19.5. Agreed to endorse the establishment of the Food Distribution Hub, as detailed in the report, and delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for City Environment in consultation with the Director of City Environment to enter into contracts with suppliers in relation to the Food Distribution Hub to support and protect the city's most vulnerable residents during the current national emergency.6. Approved the provision of additional temporary accommodation through an agreement with a local hotel and delegate authority to the Cabinet Member with responsibility for City Assets and Housing, in consultation with the Deputy Chief Executive, to enter into a contract with the local hotel for the provision of temporary accommodation for homeless and others in need of urgent temporary accommodation.		

7. Agreed the provision of Business Rates relief, in line with emergency Government Guidance, and delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Resources, in consultation with the Head of Revenues and Benefits, and the Director of Finance to allocate business rates relief to individual businesses.
8. Agreed to the payment of Business Rates Grants by the Council, in line with emergency Government Guidance, and to delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Resources, in consultation with Director of Finance, to establish supplementary budgets for the cost of Business Rates Grants which will be reimbursed in full by Government grant once Government have confirmed the amount to be allocated to the Wolverhampton.
9. Agreed to the payment of Small Business Grants by the Council, in line with emergency Government Guidance, and to delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Resources, in consultation with the Head of Revenues and Benefits and the Director of Finance to award grant payments to business under the Small Business Grants Fund and the Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Business Grant Fund announced by Government in line with Government Guidance.
10. Agreed to establish supplementary budgets totaling £3,272,264, funded by grant to fund the Hardship Scheme and delegate authority the Cabinet Member for Resources, in consultation with the Head of Revenue and Benefits and the Director of Finance to make the required reductions in council tax and note that alternative support mechanisms will be considered and, where appropriate, funding will be provided from within the hardship fund to be used where it supports the guidance.
11. Authorised the Director of Governance to sign a contract with Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council for additional mortuary support by the Director of Governance.

Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts (Signed with reservations) Councillor Steve Evans Councillor Jasbir Jaspal Councillor Paul Sweet	30 March 2020	Denise Pearce 01902 554515

Title and summary of decision

Senior Pay Policy Statement 2020-2021

1. Approved the Senior Pay Policy Statement for 2020-2021.
2. Approved the publication of the Senior Pay Policy Statement in line with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011.
3. Noted that the Pay Policy incorporates a new Grade 13 into the Senior Management Pay Structure, in order to provide a more flexible, adaptable structure to support future reviews and rationalisation of senior managers.
4. Noted that the Pay Policy has been revised to ensure that it is explicit, that an Individual Executive Decision Notice, reportable to Cabinet (Resources) Panel in the usual manner, is required, if the Leader of the Council in consultation with the Head of Paid Service, makes additional payments below £100,000, on cessation of employment, for reasons other than redundancy.

Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Harman Banger Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Louise Miles Councillor Paul Sweet	7 May 2020	Allison Shannon 01902 554561

Title and summary of decision

Amendments to Council Budget and decisions related to Council actions as result of Covid-19

1. Established supplementary expenditure budgets totalling £7,278,499 funded by the COVID 19 Emergency Funding for Local Government Grant to support additional costs and loss of income relating to COVID 19.
2. Delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for Resources, in consultation with the Director of Finance to approve all virements required to support the additional costs and loss of income relating to COVID 19.
3. Authorised the entering into contracts with food suppliers without going through a detailed procurement process in light of the need for urgent acquisition of food supplies to ensure that food can continue to be provided through the food hub during the Covid-19 situation.
4. Authorised the donation of up to £20,000 by the Council to the One City Fund aimed at supporting struggling families in the City during Covid-19 from the allocated 2020-2021 Ward funds within the Corporate Contingency for Budget Growth subject to the agreement of the relevant ward Councillor, or in the case of a vacant ward seat the Cabinet Member for Resources.
5. Authorised the creation of a reserve to facilitate the carry forward of unspent ward funds from 2019-2020.

Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts (Signed with reservations) Councillor Jasbir Jaspal Councillor Stephen Simkins Councillor Paul Sweet	29 June 2020	Claire Nye 01902 550478

Title and summary of decision

Budget Amendments

1. Noted that the Covid-19 pandemic has had a damaging impact on capital projects, internationally, across the UK and in the city, leading to cost pressures associated with new 'social distanced' operating models, materials and how they are sourced. Major development projects such as the Civic Halls and WV Living sites have been affected by this global issue.
2. Approved budgetary provision for specific risks emerging from the Covid-19 global pandemic in relation to the Civic Halls project, that cannot be contained within the contingencies already provided for within the existing budget
3. Delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for City Economy in consultation with the Director for Regeneration, to approve the award of the construction contract for the Civic Halls restoration project, to Willmott Dixon Interiors Ltd of Lock House, Castle Meadow Road, Nottingham, NG2 1AG for a total contract value as prescribed at paragraph 2.3 of appendix 1.

4. That, due to the impact of Covid-19, a capital repayment holiday is provided to WV Living.
5. That, due to the impact of Covid-19, equity as detailed in appendix 1 is provided to WV Living once evidence has been provided to satisfy the Director of Finance and the Director of Governance that the investment will comply with the relevant rules.
6. Delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for Resources, in consultation with the Director of Finance to approve the final terms of the capital repayment holiday and the equity provision.
7. Delegated authority to the Director of Governance to execute the necessary agreements to give effect to the decisions made.
8. That Wolverhampton Homes are authorised to purchase properties from WV Living for the purpose of market rental.
9. That a loan of up to £1.6 million is provided to Wolverhampton Homes to facilitate the purchase of the properties.
10. That budgetary provision is made in the capital programme to facilitate the loan.
11. Delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for Resources, in consultation with the Director of Finance to approve the final terms of the loan.
12. Delegated authority to the Director of Governance to execute the necessary agreements to give effect to the decisions made.
13. Approved the establishment of supplementary income and expenditure budgets for the development and delivery of city events.
14. Delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for City Economy in consultation with Director of City Environment to approve the individual business cases for City Events.
15. Delegated authority to Cabinet Member for City Economy in consultation with Director of City Environment to approve the Council entering into contracts and agreements with or for performers for City Events.
16. Approved a virement of £100,000 from the Corporate Accounts revenue budget to the City Events revenue budget to facilitate the delivery of sporting event.

Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Linda Leach Councillor Stephen Simkins Councillor Paul Sweet	17 July 2020	Claire Nye 01902 550478

Title and summary of decision

Capital Outturn and Treasury Management Annual Report 2019-2020 and Monitoring Quarter One 2020-2021

1. Approved the revised medium-term General Revenue Account capital programme of £380.8 million, an increase of £2.0 million from the previously approved programme, and the change in associated resources.
2. Approved the revised Housing Revenue Account (HRA) capital programme of £462.2 million, a reduction of £20,000 from the previously approved programme, and the change in associated resources.
3. Delegated authority to the Director of Finance to lower the minimum sovereign rating in the Annual Investment Strategy, in the event of the UK's credit rating being downgraded by the two credit rating agencies, due to the unprecedented impact of Covid-19 on the economy.
4. Noted the Council operated within the approved Prudential and Treasury Management Indicators, and also within the requirements set out in the Council's approved Treasury

Management Policy Statement during 2019-2020.

5. Noted that revenue underspends of £440,000 for the General Revenue Account and £273,000 for the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) were generated from treasury management activities in 2019-2020.
6. Noted that revenue underspends of £1.5 million for the General Revenue Account and £434,000 for the HRA are forecast from treasury management activities in 2020-2021.
7. Noted that due to receipt of grants from Central Government in response to Covid-19 the Council temporarily exceeded the limit of £10.0 million to be held in the Council's bank account. The temporary increase of the limit to £32.7 million was approved by the Director of Finance under the authority delegated by Council and was in place for the period 1 April 2020 to 9 April 2020.

City Environment

Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Steve Evans Councillor Louise Miles Councillor Paul Sweet	30 March 2020	Stuart Everton 01902 554097
Title and summary of decision		
Bilston Road Improvement Scheme Payments <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Authorised CWC to send letters and Settlement Agreements to affected traders setting out the Full and Final value of compensation due and requesting their signature in return for payment.2. Approved payments to those traders where settlement agreements have been certified, signed and returned totaling £46,991.41.3. Approved a virement totaling £200,000 from Corporate Accounts to the Black Country Transport service to support expenditure arising as a result of the Bilston Road Financial Assistance programme.4. Delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for City Environment, in consultation with the Director of Finance, to approve payments to traders when future settlement agreements have been signed and returned.		
Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Steve Evans Councillor Jasbir Jaspal Councillor Paul Sweet	30 March 2020	Chris Howell 01902 55 4554
Title and summary of decision		
Statement of Licensing Policy <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Approved the revised Statement of Licensing Policy.		

Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Steve Evans Councillor Jasbir Jaspal Councillor Paul Sweet	4 May 2020	John Roseblade 01902 55 5755
Title and summary of decision		
Temporary Amendment to the Travel Assistance Assessment Process 1. Agreed proposed approach to temporarily amend the travel assistance assessment process by delaying the assessment for independent travel training until social distancing and resource permits.		
Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Steve Evans Councillor John Reynolds Councillor Paul Sweet	17 April 2020	Steve Woodward 01902 55 4260
Title and summary of decision		
Parks and Open Spaces Strategy – Capital Programme 1. Approved the capital budgets as detailed in the body of the report totaling £581,188.24 to allow identified works for the projects to be carried out and developer capital grants and contributions to be spent. 2. Delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for City Environment, in consultation with the Director of Finance to approve the capital projects for the Parks and Open Spaces Strategy capital programme in accordance with the specific development orders, conditions and agreements through an Individual Executive Decision Notice (IEDN), with all supporting evidence and documentation.		
Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Steve Simkins Councillor Jacqueline Sweetman Councillor Paul Sweet	10 June 2020	Crissie Rushton 01902 55 2050
Title and summary of decision		
Reopening of High Street Safely Fund 1. Approved the Council entering into a grant agreement between the Cities and Local Growth Unit (CLGU) for the Reopening of the High Streets Safely Fund together with any ancillary documents necessary for the Council to receive the funds. 2. Approved the creation of a supplementary budget of £234,488 fully funded by Cities and Local Growth Unit (CLGU) grant provided by the European Regional Development Fund and expenditure in line with the grant terms and conditions.		

Regeneration

Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Steve Evans Councillor Stephen Simkins Councillor Paul Sweet	1 June 2020	Isobel Woods 01902 55 1848
Title and summary of decision		
Discretionary Business Support Grant – Covid-19 1. Established supplementary expenditure budgets totalling £2.3 million funded by the COVID Local Government Grant to support the costs of the discretionary business grant. 2. Agreed the approach to the distribution of the discretionary business grant as detailed in the report. 3. Authorised the use of any underspend in Small Business Grant Fund and the Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Fund, that Government agrees to being so used, to increase the relevant budget at paragraph 1 and to be spent in line with the principles at paragraph 2.		
Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Linda Leach Councillor Stephen Simkins Councillor Paul Sweet	17 July 2020	Isobel Woods 01902 55 1848
Title and summary of decision		
Discretionary Business Support Grant – Covid-19 1. Agreed the approach to the distribution of the remaining discretionary business grant as detailed in the report 2. Established supplementary expenditure budgets totaling £47,000 funded by new Burdens funding to support the costs of administering the discretionary business grants scheme.		
Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Steve Evans Councillor Dr Michael Hardacre Councillor Paul Sweet	15 August 2020	Isobel Woods 01902 55 1848
Title and summary of decision		
Discretionary Business Support Grant – Covid-19 1. Agreed to amend the current discretionary business grant scheme, to revise the timeline and allocation of grant, as detailed in this report.		

Governance

Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts (Signed with reservations) Councillor Steve Evans Councillor John Reynolds Councillor Paul Sweet	29 April 2020	David Pattison 01902 55 3840
Title and summary of decision		
Decisions related to Council actions as result of Covid-19 1. Agreed to amend the authority given in the decision of 27 March 2020 re the establishment of the Food Distribution Hub, to provide support for other vulnerable families and households as set out in the decision and to provide goods and services related to the Hub to other authorities where appropriate. 2. Authorised the purchase of an additional cremator for the Council's Crematorium without going through a detailed procurement process in light of the need for urgent acquisition of the cremator to ensure that the service can continue to function during the Covid-19 situation. 3. Agreed the proposed approach to payments in relation to Adult Social Care set out in table 1 to the report.		
Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Steve Evans Councillor Stephen Simkins Councillor Paul Sweet	6 May 2020	Jaswinder Kaur 01902 55 0320
Title and summary of decision		
Extend Municipal Year 2019-2020 1. Agreed to postpone Annual Council due to take place on 20 May 2020 and extend the Municipal Year 2019-2020 until autumn 2020 to a date to be confirmed. 2. Approved the Extended Calendar of Meetings for the extended Municipal Year 2019-2020.		
Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Steve Evans Councillor John Reynolds Councillor Paul Sweet	12 May 2020	David Pattison 01902 55 3840
Title and summary of decision		
Approval of absence 1. Approved the absence of Cllr John Rowley until 13 November 2020 pursuant to section 85 of the Local Government Act 1972.		

Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Linda Leach Councillor Stephen Simkins Councillor Paul Sweet	17 July 2020	David Pattison 01902 55 3840
Title and summary of decision		
Approval of dispensation for non-attendance at council meetings 1. Approved the absence of Councilors Payal Bedi-Chadha, Paul Birch, Paul Appleby, Jacqueline Coogan, Claire Darke, Jasbinder Dehar, Christopher Haynes, Hazel Malcolm, Beverley Momenabadi, Sandra Samuels OBE, Gurmukh (Mak) Singh, Obaida Ahmed, Susan Roberts, Rashpal Kaur and Udey Singh until 16 January 2021 pursuant to section 85 of the Local Government Act 1972.		
Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Dr Mike Hardacre Councillor Jasbir Jaspal Councillor Paul Sweet	31 July 2020	Jaswinder Kaur 01902 55 0320
Title and summary of decision		
Calendar of Meetings 2020-2021 1. Approved the City of Wolverhampton Council Calendar of Meetings for 2020-2021. 2. Agreed that Annual Council take place on Wednesday 19 May 2021. 3. Noted that all post holders remain in post until the new Municipal Year starts other than where varied in line with the constitution.		

Adults

Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Steve Evans Councillor Dr Michael Hardacre Councillor Paul Sweet	16 June 2020	Becky Wilkinson 07462671689
Title and summary of decision		
Adult Social Care Infection Prevention Ring Fenced Grant (2020) <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Approved the Council entering into a grant agreement between the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) and CQC registered care homes in the city to distribute the Infection Control Fund grant as directed by the Department of Health and Social Care, together with any ancillary documents necessary for the Council to receive the funds.2. Approved the creation of a supplementary budget of £3.3m fully funded by the Adult Social Care Infection Prevention Ring Fenced grant 2020 provided by MHCLG and expenditure in line with the grant terms and conditions. This funding will be paid as a Section 31 grant ring fenced exclusively for actions which support care homes and domiciliary care providers mainly to tackle the risk of Covid19 infections and is in addition to funding already received. 75% of the ring-fenced grant must transfer directly to CQC registered Care Homes (2,516 beds in total) and 25% spent by the local authority in line with grant conditions3. Approved the proposed communication and process for allocation and monitoring of 75% of the grant funding to Care Homes in line with the grant conditions as set out in section 3 of this report.4. Delegated authority to the Director of Adult Services, in consultation with the Director of Public health, to approve the plan on behalf of the council for the allocation of the 25% of grant funding to the Wolverhampton System in line with the grant conditions as set out in section 3 of this report.		

Children and Young People

Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor John Reynolds Councillor Stephen Simkins Councillor Paul Sweet	28 April 2020	Emma Bennett 01902 551449
Title and summary of decision		
Temporary Social Care delivery model for Children and Young people during Covid-19 <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Approved the Temporary Social Care delivery model for Children and Young people during Covid-19 during the Covid-19 situation2. Delegated authority to the Director of Children's Services, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet members, to make any other necessary amendments to the arrangements.		

Public Health

Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor John Reynolds Councillor Jacqueline Sweetman Councillor Paul Sweet	17 April 2020	Lynsey Kelly 01902 55 0042
Title and summary of decision		
Police and Crime Commissioner Grant Allocation 2020-2021 1. Approved delegation of the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) Community Safety Partnership fund allocation 2020-2021 received from the PCC to Safer Wolverhampton Partnership (SWP) for the purposes of delivering against the City's Community Safety and Harm Reduction Strategy 2020-2023.		
Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Dr Michael Hardacre Councillor Jasbir Jaspal Councillor Paul Sweet	6 July 2020	Richard Welch 07387290020
Title and summary of decision		
Outbreak Control Plan - Ring Fenced Grant 1. Endorsed the Wolverhampton Outbreak Control Plan as detailed in appendix One. 2. Approved the creation of a supplementary budget of £1.9 million fully funded by a Central Government Test and Trace Support Grant. 3. Delegated authority for expenditure of the support grant to the Director of Public Health in line with grant conditions as detailed in appendix Two.		

Part 2 – Exempt Items

Our Council

Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Steve Evans Councillor Paul Sweet Councillor Jacqueline Sweetman	17 April 2020	John Thompson 01902 55 4503
Title and summary of decision		
31 March 2020 - Procurement - Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for City Environment, in consultation with the Director of City Environment, to approve the award of a contract for the Hire and Maintenance of Winter Service Vehicles including Maintenance when the evaluation process is complete; and approve a virement totalling £210,000 from Treasury Management budgets to Fleet Services budget to cover the costs of leasing.2. Delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for Adults, in consultation with the Director of Adult Services, to approve the award of a contract for the Best Interest Assessors framework when the evaluation process is complete.3. Delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for Resources, in consultation with the Director of Finance, to approve the award of a contract for Revenues and Benefits software when the evaluation process is complete.4. Approved the award of the contract for the Supply and Delivery of Paper to Premier Paper Group Ltd of Premier House, Mercury Way, Off Barton Dock Road, Manchester, Greater Manchester, M41 7PA, United Kingdom for a duration of four years from 1 May 2020 to 30 April 2024 for a total contract value of £241,669.20.5. Delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for Resources, in consultation with the Director of Finance, to approve the award of a contract for Cash in Transit when the evaluation process is complete.6. Approved the exemption from Contract Procedure Rules to award the contract for Community Short Breaks for Children with Disabilities to Trident Reach, Progress Children Services Ltd and Barnardo's Services Ltd for a duration of 17 months from 1 April 2020 to 1 September 2021 with a value of £351,000.7. Delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People, in consultation with the Director of Children's Services, to approve the award of a contract for the Emotional Wellbeing Offer when the evaluation process is complete.8. The exemptions to the Contract Procedure Rules approved by the Head of Procurement and Director of Finance from 1 to 29 February 2020 as set out in Appendix 1 be noted.		

Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts (Signed with reservations) Councillor Louise Miles Councillor John Reynolds Councillor Paul Sweet	20 May 2020	John Thompson 01902 554503
Title and summary of decision		
Procurement exceptions due to Covid19 1. Authorised extending a number of contracts by variation to ensure that these key services can continue to be provided until the Covid-19 outbreak and lockdown are resolved.		
Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Stephen Simkins Councillor Jacqueline Sweetman Councillor Paul Sweet	10 June 2020	John Thompson 01902 554503
Title and summary of decision		
Procurement exceptions due to Covid19 (June) 1. Authorised the Council entering into a contract with BBP Security Services Ltd for the provision of manned security services without going through a detailed procurement process in light of the need for urgent manned security of the food hub during the Covid-19 situation.		
Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Steve Evans Councillor Jasbir Jaspal Councillor Paul Sweet	7 July 2020	John Thompson 01902 554503
Title and summary of decision		
Procurement exceptions due to Covid19 July 1. Authorised the Council entering into a contract with MKG Ltd for the provision of Food Distribution Parcel service without going through a detailed procurement process in light of the Covid-19 situation.		

Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Steve Evans Councillor Linda Leach Councillor Paul Sweet	3 September 2020	John Thompson 01902 554503
Title and summary of decision		
Procurement of Microsoft Enterprise Agreement 1. Authorised the Council entering into a contract with Bytes Software Services for the provision of Microsoft Enterprise Agreement. 2. Delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for Resources, in consultation with the Director of Finance to approve the final contract.		

Housing

Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor John Reynolds Councillor Paul Sweet Councillor Jacqueline Sweetman	17 April 2020	Luke Dove 01902 557121
Title and summary of decision		
Community Asset Transfer – Gatis Street Adventure Playground 1. Approved the Community Asset Transfer of Gatis Street Adventure Playground, WV6 0ES to ARCCIC (Acts of Random Caring Community Interest Company) T/a Gatis Gardeners for a term of 35 years subject to agreed terms. 2. That authority be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Resources in consultation with the Deputy Chief Executive to approve the terms of the Community Asset Transfer and lease.		
Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor John Reynolds Councillor Paul Sweet Councillor Jacqueline Sweetman	17 April 2020	Luke Dove 01902 557121
Title and summary of decision		
Community Asset Transfer – Burdett House 1. Approved the Community Asset Transfer of Burdett House, 29-30 Cleveland Street, WV1 3HT to Central Youth Theatre for a term of 35 years subject to terms. 2. Delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for Resources in consultation with the Deputy Chief Executive to approve the terms of the Community Asset Transfer and lease.		

Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor John Reynolds Councillor Paul Sweet Councillor Jacqueline Sweetman	17 April 2020	Luke Dove 01902 557121
Title and summary of decision		
Leasing of Former Goldthorn Hill Allotments 1. Approved the Site Management Agreement for the Former Goldthorn Hill Allotments for an initial two-year term to Goldthorn Hill Pumping Station Allotment Society, subject to terms. 2. Subject to the criteria of the initial Site Management Agreement being met, approved an extension of the same for a further term of 25 years. 3. Delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for Resources in consultation with the Deputy Chief Executive to approve the terms of the Site Management Agreement.		
Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Louise Miles Councillor Paul Sweet Councillor Jacqueline Sweetman	19 May 2020	Kevin Kingston 01902 55 2350
Title and summary of decision		
Approval of Staged Development Agreements for Affordable Housing 1. That the City of Wolverhampton (CWC) enter into six separate staged payment Development Agreements with WV Living (WVL) for 100 affordable housing units on six sites for up to £8,777,000 as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report. 2. Authorised the Council to execute the development agreements, contracts, transfers, associated wayleave agreements, deeds of easements, deeds of grant, collateral warranties together with any ancillary agreements. 3. Delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for City Assets and Housing in consultation with the Director of Finance, to agree the purchase price of the affordable homes required under the S.106 homes and planning conditions, based upon an assessment of value provided by a Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) valuer.		
Decision maker	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Jonathan Crofts Councillor Stephen Simkins Councillor Paul Sweet Councillor Jacqueline Sweetman	10 June 2020	Henry Gregory 01902 555159
Title and summary of decision		
Increase in Temporary Accommodation Provision. 1. Approved the use of additional 16 Council housing properties for temporary accommodation use. 2. Delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for City Assets and Housing in consultation with the Director for City Environment to approve future use of Council housing properties for temporary accommodation or alternative use as required.		