

**Gravesham Borough Council – Decisions taken by the Cabinet on Tuesday, 23 March 2021**

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**Part A – Items considered in public**

A4	New Housing Action Plan	<p><b>SALFORD CITY COUNCIL - RECORD OF DECISION (CABINET)</b></p> <p>I, Paul Dennett, City Mayor, in consultation with the Cabinet and in exercise of the powers contained within the City Council Constitution do hereby approve:</p> <p>a. Salford’s annual Housing Strategy action plan for 2021 - 2022</p> <p><b><i>The Reasons are:</i></b></p> <p>In January 2020, the City Mayor in consultation with cabinet, approved the new Salford housing strategy ‘Shaping Housing in Salford 2020’.</p> <p>As the delivery date for the annual delivery plan comes to an end in March 2021, we have developed a new annual plan for 2021/22, based on the previously approved priorities.</p> <p>Working with our key partners and stakeholders we have reviewed delivery of the last plan and collaborated to identify those areas which we must now focus on for the next 12 months (April 2021 – March 2022) moving forward.</p> <p><b><i>Options considered and rejected were:</i></b></p> <p>No action – the initial delivery plan ends in March 2021 and a new annual delivery plan is required in order to respond to the priorities.</p> <p><b><i>Assessment of Risk: Medium</i></b></p> <p>The strategy identifies a number of key priorities and objectives with key delivery outcomes which will be monitored through the action plan. Risks in terms of the delivery of the priorities and objectives will be reviewed annually. It is recognised that there are a number of outcomes which if not delivered carry risks. Mitigating these risks will be a key part of the action plan</p>
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		<p>monitoring.</p> <p><b><i>The source of funding is:</i></b> Delivery of the plan will either be within existing financial constraints or proposed additional spend will be assessed and reported on an individual basis as and when items from the action plan are planned/implemented.</p> <p><b><i>Legal Advice obtained:</i></b> Not applicable - Legal Advice will be sought on specific topics therein, as and when required. However, there are otherwise no direct legal implications.</p> <p><b><i>Financial Advice obtained:</i></b> There are no direct implications resulting from the Housing Strategy delivery plan, with delivery being within existing financial constraints or proposed additional spend will be assessed and reported on an individual basis as and when items from the action plan are planned/implemented.</p> <p><b><i>Procurement Advice obtained:</i></b> N/A</p> <p><b><i>HR Advice obtained:</i></b> N/A</p> <p><b><i>Climate Change Advice obtained:</i></b> Michael Hemmingway - 793 3209</p>

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		<p>Greater Manchester strategic goals for carbon neutral new and existing homes in the future, remain a serious challenge for all partners and the likelihood of not achieving the targets seems high without significant government intervention. Those challenges are financial, as well as knowledge and skills based. Partners are working together to develop shared learning to help skill up officers and housing providers are exploring what can realistically be achieved within existing finances, as well as how to access wider funding streams as they become available. As can be seen from the report Registered Providers to continue to maintain/improve their existing homes, and to explore the potential for progressing towards carbon neutral homes, the actions related to this in the report have been expanded. To help move this agenda a joint sub-group of the Climate Action Board and the Housing Partnership has been formed and is meeting regularly.</p> <p><b><i>The following documents have been used to assist the decision process:</i></b></p> <p>Salford’s housing strategy ‘Shaping Housing in Salford 2020’</p> <p><b><i>Contact Officer: Julie Craik</i></b></p> <p><b><i>Telephone number: 0161 793 2143</i></b></p> <p>The appropriate scrutiny to call-in the decision is the Growth and Prosperity Scrutiny Panel</p>

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A5	Proposed expansion of Springwood Primary School	<p><b>SALFORD CITY COUNCIL - RECORD OF DECISION (CABINET)</b></p> <p>I City Mayor, in exercise of the powers contained within the City Council Constitution do hereby approve: the implementation for the publication of the Statutory Notice for the proposed permanent expansion of Springwood Primary School as of 1 September 2021.</p> <p><b><i>The Reasons are:</i></b> <i>Salford has experienced increased demand for Special Educational Needs and Disabilities support (SEND) provision in recent years. In particular, increased demand has been felt for the type of specialist education Springwood Primary provides.</i></p> <p>With demand for SEND provision continuing to grow, additional specialist places will be required. The proposed expansion would see a permanent increase in the numbers, of pupils on roll at Springwood Primary School (increase the capacity of the school by 60 pupils) by</p>

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		<p><i>agreed by Schools Forum.</i></p> <p><b><i>Legal Advice obtained:</i></b> Nicky Smith, Senior Solicitor</p> <p><b><i>Financial Advice obtained:</i></b> Chris Mee, Strategic Finance Manager</p> <p><b><i>Procurement Advice obtained:</i></b> Deborah Derbyshire, Procurement Category Manager</p> <p><b><i>HR Advice obtained:</i></b> N/A</p> <p><b><i>Climate Change Advice obtained:</i></b> N/A</p> <p><b><i>The following documents have been used to assist the decision process:</i></b>  <a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/756572/Maintained_schools_prescribed_alterations_guidance.pdf">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/756572/Maintained_schools_prescribed_alterations_guidance.pdf</a></p> <p><b><i>Contact Officer:</i></b> Paula Newall    <b><i>Telephone number:</i></b> 0161 778 0447</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The appropriate scrutiny to call-in the decision is the Children’s Scrutiny Panel</li> </ul>

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