# Summary of Executive Decisions taken on 13 February 2014

#### Part I

## Financial Performance Report - Quarter Three 2013/14 (EX2670) (Item 6.)

**Resolved** that the latest financial performance of the Council as at Quarter 3 of 2013/14 be noted.

This decision is not subject to call in as:

Report is to note only

therefore it will be implemented immediately.

## West Berkshire Council Strategy: Refresh 2014/15 (C2744) (Item 7.)

**Resolved** that the updated Council Strategy (noting the strategic objectives which form the basis for service delivery planning) be recommended to full Council for approval.

This decision is not subject to call in as:

the item is due to be referred to Council for final approval.

therefore it will be implemented immediately.

#### Investment and Borrowing Strategy 2014/15 (C2747) (Item 8.)

**Resolved** that the Investment and Borrowing Strategy be recommended to Council for adoption.

This decision is not subject to call in as:

• the item is due to be referred to Council for final approval.

therefore it will be implemented immediately.

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## Capital Strategy and Programme 2014/15 to 2018/19 (C2746) (Item 9.)

**Resolved** that the Capital Strategy and Programme be recommended for approval by full Council on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2014.

This decision is not subject to call in as:

• the item is due to be referred to Council for final approval.

therefore it will be implemented immediately.

## Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS): 2014-17 (C2748) (Item 10.)

**Resolved** that the 2014-2017 Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) be recommended to Council for approval and adoption.

This decision is not subject to call in as:

• the item is due to be referred to Council for final approval.

therefore it will be implemented immediately.

#### Revenue Budget 2014/15 (C2749) (Item 11.)

**Resolved** that the Executive recommend to Council:

- (1) That the Fees & Charges be approved as set out in Appendix F and the appropriate statutory notices be placed where required in accordance with the decision of the Executive on 13th February 2014
- (2) That the Special Expenses be approved as set out in Appendix G in accordance with the decision of the Executive on 13th February 2014.
- (3) That the 2014-15 savings proposals, as detailed in Appendix Ci) and Cii) be agreed along with the 2015-16 savings proposals, as detailed in Appendix Ciii).
- (4) That the 2014-15 budget requirement for Council tax setting purposes of £76.56 million requiring a Council Tax freeze be approved.

This decision is not subject to call in as:

the item is due to be referred to Council for final approval.

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therefore it will be implemented immediately.

## Response to the Scrutiny Review into the Adult Social Care Eligibility Criteria (EX2786) (Item 12.)

**Resolved** that the responses to the given recommendations be endorsed.

This decision is not subject to call in as:

• the item has been considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Commission, or has been the subject of a review undertaken by another body within the preceding six months.

therefore it will be implemented immediately.

## Local Enterprise Partnership - Strategic Economic Plan and response to the Airports Commission Interim Report (EX2757) (Item 13.)

#### Resolved that:

- (1) the consultation draft of the Strategic Economic Plan be endorsed and the LEP be informed of any amendments or comments that the Council wished to make;
- (2) the statement proposed as a response to the Airports Commission Interim Report be agreed which supported the expansion of Heathrow.

This decision is eligible to be 'called-in'. However, if the decision has not been 'called-in' by 5.00pm on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2014, then it will be implemented.

#### **Update on Apprentices (EX2753) (Item 14.)**

#### Resolved that:

- 1. one apprenticeship post reserved for a disabled applicant to be established. This post to be funded by, and placed in, Public Health in 2014/15.
- 2. one apprenticeship reserved for a Looked After Child (LAC) applicant be established. This post to be funded from a budget to be identified by the Head of Finance (a budget pressure).
- 3. With effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014 all new and existing apprentices to be paid the age related national minimum wage (NMW) unless the Head of Service creates a more

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responsible apprenticeship role which will be paid on the minimum spinal column point on the WBC pay grades.

4. The Executive to set a target for Directorates to employ a minimum of 15 apprentices each year (five per directorate unless otherwise agreed at Corporate Board).

This decision is eligible to be 'called-in'. However, if the decision has not been 'called-in' by 5.00pm on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2014, then it will be implemented.