

AT A MEETING of the BUILDINGS, LAND AND PROCUREMENT PANEL held in
the Denning Room, Elizabeth II Court, Winchester, on
11 October 2016

Councillors:

p. Chairman: Councillor Mel Kendal
p. Vice-Chairman: Councillor Peter Edgar

p. Keith House
a. Frank Pearce
p. Andrew Joy

a. Martin Lyon
a. John Wall

136 BROADCASTING ANNOUNCEMENT

The Chairman announced that the press and members of the public were permitted to film and broadcast the meeting. Those remaining at the meeting were consenting to being filmed and recorded, and to the possible use of those images and recording for broadcasting purposes.

137 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Wall, Pearce and Lyon. Councillor Joy was in attendance as the Conservative substitute member.

138 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were mindful that where they believed they had a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter considered at the meeting they must declare that interest and, having regard to Part 3, Paragraph 1.5 of the County Council's Members' Code of Conduct, leave the meeting while the matter was discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with Paragraph 1.6 of the Code. Furthermore Members were mindful that where they believed they had a Personal Interest in a matter being considered at the meeting they considered, having regard to Part 5, Paragraph 4 of the Code, whether such interest should be declared, and having regard to Part 5, Paragraph 5 of the Code, considered whether it was appropriate to leave the meeting while the matter was discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with the Code.

139 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 28 June 2016 were confirmed by Members as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

140 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman announced that the County Council's Property Services had received two awards. Firstly, the Royal Institute of British Architects South Regional Silver Award for the Winchester Cathedral Learning Centre. Secondly, Park Community School was Highly Commended in the Sustainable Buildings category of the CPRE Hampshire Awards. The Chairman noted that other projects had been shortlisted including Park Community School in the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors Awards Grand Final, Portesbery Special School in the Local Authority Building Control Best Inclusive Building Award 2016 and the Southern Construction Framework Apprenticeship Programme in the London Construction Award and the Constructing Excellence Awards. The Chairman congratulated the Property Services team on these achievements.

The Chairman announced that the recent application to the Cabinet Office, made by the County Council on behalf of public sector organisations in the 'Wider Hampshire' One Public Estate, had been successful. Members heard that this most recent sum, of £420,000, had brought the total secured from Government to £900,000. It was noted that the County Council would continue to manage the One Public Estate initiative on behalf of public sector bodies.

The Chairman announced that a further 12.4% reduction in carbon emissions had been achieved from 2015 to 2016 - the first year of the second phase of the Carbon Management Strategy. It was highlighted that this brought the overall total percentage reduction to 35.8% from 2010 levels and was close to achieving the target of a 40% reduction by 2025.

141 DEPUTATIONS

There were no deputations on this occasion.

142 MAJOR PROGRAMMES REPORT

The Panel considered the report of the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services which provided an update on major projects and issues currently being progressed within the department (Item 6 in the Minute Book.)

The Panel heard that work was continuing to provide additional pupil places as part of the Children's Services capital programme. In particular, the Panel heard of proposals for a new two form entry primary school at Wellesley in Aldershot and the relocation of Mill Chase Academy to a site within the new residential development at Whitehill, Bordon.

Members were provided with a Traded Services update and noted that the County Council's management of regional construction frameworks continued to generate income of around £1million annually.

Discussion was held regarding plans for the Gosport Community Hub and the engagement of potential partners for co-location. It was noted that, following extensive discussion and consultation with potential partner organisations, the proposal related to a solution for a range of County Council services with scope to support the delivery of others such as Public Health and the voluntary sector.

RESOLVED:

That the Panel recommends to the Executive Member for Policy and Resources that he approves:

- The proposal to invest in Gosport Discovery Centre to form a Community Hub, subject to the confirmation of funding being added to the Capital Programme in December 2016.
- That the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services be authorised to progress the detailed design of the project in order to let a construction contract in 2017 and release the revenue savings and secure improvements as early as possible.

143 ENERGY AND CARBON MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES UPDATE

The Panel considered the report of the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services. (Item 7 in the Minute Book.)

Members' attention was drawn to the table at section 2.1 of the report which outlined the successful year by year reduction in carbon emission levels from the launch of the Carbon Management Strategy in 2010. It was noted that the 2016 percentage reduction was 35.8% from 2010 levels and that greater reductions, to achieve the target of 40% by 2025, were predicted.

To further reduce carbon emissions and energy consumption, the Panel heard that further Energy Performance Programme works were planned including the installation of LED lighting, improved draught proofing and thermal insulation.

In response to Members' questions relating to electric vehicle charging points, it was confirmed that a mapping exercise was being undertaken to identify existing charging points as part of exploratory work into the potential provision of additional points across installed by the County Council on a commercial basis.

RESOLVED:

That the Panel notes and endorses the positive progress to date with Energy and Carbon Management activities in the Built Estate.

144 STRATEGIC ASSET MANAGEMENT – RISK MANAGEMENT 2016/17

The Panel considered the annual report of the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services which outlined the current Risk Management Strategy for the Built Estate. (Item 8 in the Minute Book.)

Members heard that the annual risk assessment had been undertaken and that the details of this were specified within Appendix 1.

RESOLVED:

That the Panel notes:

- The robust approach that the County Council takes to the management of risks associated with the built estate.
- That financial resource is directed to the highest priorities and most significant liabilities.
- That management controls are maintained to a high standard and reviewed on a periodic basis.

145 CORPORATE PROCUREMENT CONTRACTING ACTIVITY AND APPROVALS FOR 2016/17

The Panel considered the report from the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services regarding procurement, amendments and extensions to contracts over £1million in value (Item 9 in the Minute Book).

An Appendix was attached to the report which detailed the projects which were seeking endorsement from the Panel.

RESOLVED:

That the Panel recommends to the Executive Member for Policy and Resources that:

- An extension to the current arrangement for the Supply and Distribution of dry, chilled and frozen food is approved.
- The procurement of Commercial Waste Services to spend up to £21m over a 7 year term is approved.
- Revised approval for authority to spend on Periodic Electrical Testing and Inspections is granted.
- A 4 year framework for Marketing, Advertising and Consultation with a maximum spend up to £12m over the term is approved.

146 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED:

The public were excluded from the meeting during the following items of business, as it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the public were present during these items there would have been disclosure to them of exempt information within Paragraph 3 of Part I Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, and further that in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons set out in the minute and report.

147 EXEMPT MINUTE

The Exempt Minute of the meeting held on 28 June 2016 was confirmed by Members as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

148 CORPORATE PROCUREMENT CONTRACTING ACTIVITY AND APPROVALS FOR 2016/17

The Panel considered the exempt appendix regarding Item 9 in the Minute Book and Minute Number 145.

The exempt appendix, relating to the current arrangement for the Supply and Distribution of dry, chilled and frozen food, was introduced and discussed by the Panel. The Panel agreed recommendations to the Executive Member for Policy and Resources.