

### STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISIONS

## Tuesday 28 August 2018

The decisions summarised below were taken by the Executive at the above-mentioned meeting and, subject to the call-in procedure referred to in Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 17 and to the Notes at the end of this document, shall have effect five working days after the meeting. Details of any recommendations to Council are also included for completeness.

## Members of the Executive

#### Chairman:

Councillor Paul Spooner (Leader of the Council and Lead Councillor for Partnerships, Planning and Regeneration)

Vice-Chairman:

\*Councillor Matt Furniss (in the chair)
(Deputy Leader of the Council and Lead Councillor for Infrastructure and Governance)

\*Councillor David Bilbé, Lead Councillor for Enterprise and Economic Development
\*Councillor Philip Brooker, Lead Councillor for Housing and Development Management
\*Councillor Geoff Davis, Lead Councillor for Social Enterprise and Voluntary Sector
\*Councillor Graham Ellwood, Lead Councillor for Licensing, Environmental Health and Community Safety
\*Councillor Gordon Jackson, Lead Councillor for Innovation and Transformation
\*Councillor Nigel Manning, Lead Councillor for Finance and Asset Management
\*Councillor Nikki Nelson-Smith, Lead Councillor for Skills, Arts and Tourism
\*Councillor Iseult Roche, Lead Councillor for Community Health, Wellbeing, and Project Aspire

#### \*Present

Councillors Susan Parker, Mike Piper, Jo Randall, Caroline Reeves, and Tony Rooth were also in attendance.

Agenda Officer(s) to Item No. action Item

#### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from the Chairman, Councillor Paul Spooner.

## 2. LOCAL CODE OF CONDUCT - DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST

No disclosable pecuniary interests were declared.

## 3. MINUTES

The Executive approved the minutes of the meeting held on 17 July 2018. The Chairman signed the minutes.

#### 4. \* WALNUT BRIDGE

## **Decision:**

(1) That the Executive approves the progression of a new design for the Walnut Bridge, which does not include the Cable Stay element. Jennifer Hyland

(2) That the Director of Environment, in consultation with the Lead Councillor for Infrastructure and Governance, be authorised to make any further changes that may be required.

#### Reasons:

- In recognition of changes to the local area and the planned redevelopment of the station
- To respond to the technical challenges of a Cable Stay design highlighted during the procurement exercise
- To ensure the successful delivery of the Project

(In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 19 (e), Councillor Matt Furniss asked that his vote to abstain in respect of this matter be recorded)

Alternative options considered and rejected by the Executive: Option 2: Revert to the Cable Stay design

<u>Details of any conflict of interest declared by the Leader or lead councillors and any dispensation granted:</u>
None

# 5. \* PROPOSAL FOR INVESTMENT IN BROADBAND FOR SURREY HILLS LTD. COMMUNITY BENEFIT SOCIETY

#### Decision:

(1) That the Council invests the initial sum of £10,000 in Broadband for Surrey Hills Ltd., as described in the report submitted to the Executive. Chris Stanton

(2) That the Council agrees, as a landowner, to provide free wayleaves where B4SH fibre crosses its land, as other landowners have done in support of their communities.

## Reason:

This is an opportunity to support a community-led initiative having a mainly social benefit for those parts of the Borough that are currently poorly served by broadband connectivity. Full symmetric fibre broadband will hasten delivery of the Government's Industrial Strategy as set out in *The Future Telecoms Infrastructure Review*, create the conditions for the economic transformation of our local rural communities, and facilitate many of the Strategic Priority Objectives set out in the Action and Delivery Plans of the *Rural Economic Strategy 2017-2022*.

Alternative options considered and rejected by the Executive: None

<u>Details of any conflict of interest declared by the Leader or lead councillors and any dispensation granted:</u>
None

#### NOTES:

- (a) Any decision marked "#" means that the item was deemed by the Managing Director and agreed by the Executive and Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to be a matter of urgency for the reason indicated and, in accordance with Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 17 (h), such decision takes effect immediately and is therefore *not* subject to the call-in procedure.
- (b) The call-in procedure is as follows:
  - (i) the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee; or
  - (ii) a minimum of five members of the Council

may require that a decision be referred to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for review.

- (c) Councillors wishing to exercise their right to call-in a decision taken by the Executive must give notice in writing to the Democratic Services Manager. The reason for a councillor calling-in a decision shall accompany any such request and must meet one of the following criteria:
  - (a) that there was insufficient, misleading or inaccurate information available to the decision-maker;
  - (b) that all the relevant facts had not been taken into account and/or properly assessed;
  - that the decision is contrary to the budget and policy framework and is not covered by urgency provisions; or
  - (d) that the decision is not in accordance with the decision-making principles set out in the Constitution.

Such notice should be marked for the attention of John Armstrong who can be contacted by e-mail on <a href="mailto:john.armstrong@guildford.gov.uk">john.armstrong@guildford.gov.uk</a>

- (d) On receipt of a call-in request, the Monitoring Officer will decide, in consultation with the chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, whether it is valid and will notify the councillors concerned accordingly.
- (e) In the case of a valid call-in, the decision shall be referred to a special Call-in meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, which shall be held within 21 days of the decision on validity referred to in paragraph (d) above.
- (f) A decision marked with an asterisk denotes that the matter is a "Key Decision" which is defined in the Council's Constitution as an executive decision:
  - (i) which is likely to result in significant expenditure or savings (of at least £200,000) having regard to the budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
  - (ii) which is likely to have a significant impact on two or more wards within the Borough.