

STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISIONS

Thursday, 23rd June, 2022

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 Joss Bigmore ((Leader of the Council))

Vice-Chairman:

Councillor Julia McShane, (Deputy Leader of the Council and Lead Councillor for Community and Housing) *

Councillor Tim Anderson, (Lead Councillor for Resources) *

Councillor Tom Hunt, (Lead Councillor for Development Management) *

Councillor John Redpath, (Lead Councillor for Economy) *

Councillor John Rigg, (Lead Councillor for Regeneration) *

Councillor James Steel, (Lead Councillor for Environment) *

Councillor Cait Taylor, (Lead Councillor for Climate Change) *

*Present

Councillors Tony Rooth and Paul Spooner were also in attendance. Councillor Angela Goodwin and Fiona White were in remote attendance.

**Agenda
Item
No.**

**Officer(s)
to action
Item**

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Joss Bigmore, Leader of the Council.

2. LOCAL CODE OF CONDUCT - DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held 26 May 2022 were approved as correct. The Chairman signed the minutes.

4. LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Deputy Leader made the following announcements:

Srebrenica Memorial week would run from 4-11 July. Friday 8 July marked the Srebrenica Genocide 27th anniversary. Residents were encouraged to pay respects and remember all those who lost their lives.

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community was celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee at the Mubarak Mosque in Tilford on the evening of Friday 8 July from 6pm and everyone was invited. There would be a free event including dinner, a children's fun fair, henna painting and much more. Booking was via EventBrite

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-queen-jubilee-reception-at-islamabad-tilford-tickets-366754993057>

Remedial works began this Tuesday 21 June Stoke Park paddling pool and this area of Stoke Park Gardens would be closed until Thursday 30 June. Completion of the works was expected to be within three weeks but this would be dependent upon the weather.

To celebrate Armed Forces Day, the Mayor was joined by ex-service men and women for a public ceremony at the Guildhall Balcony at midday on Monday where the armed forces flag was raised to honour all who serve, and have served in Her Majesty's Armed Forces.

A new funding round for Crowdfund Guildford, was open. Residents were encouraged to raise awareness amongst community groups to sign-up for the online 'Find out more' event: on 13th July 12-1pm. This workshop would discuss community project ideas.

5. TO CONSIDER ANY RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

The Executive noted the report and that there had been no updates since the previous meeting.

6. NORTH STREET DEVELOPMENT SITE, GUILDFORD *

Decision:

Abi Lewis

To authorise the Strategic Services Director, in consultation with

the Lead Councillor for Regeneration:

1. To approve the detailed plans and specification for the refurbished bus interchange.
2. To approve the detailed plans and specification for the proposed pedestrianisation of North Street.
3. To approve temporary North Street Market arrangements to facilitate the implementation of the developer's planning consent.
4. To approve any temporary taxi rank arrangements required to facilitate implementation of the developer's planning consent once all necessary statutory requirements have been followed.
5. To seek approval to remove the existing taxi rank in North Street that is located outside the Marks and Spencer store and to make any necessary arrangements and complete any agreements as necessary to proceed with seeking such approval to facilitate the North Street Development and to follow all necessary statutory requirements when seeking such approval.
6. To approve any temporary parking changes that are required to facilitate temporary market and taxi rank arrangements.

Reason(s):

To progress the scheme

Other options considered and rejected by the Executive:

To not approve the request for additional delegated authority which would result in a risk of the Council failing to meet its contractual obligations.

Details of any conflict of interest declared by the Leader or lead councillors and any dispensation granted:

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;
 - (c) 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 john.armstrong@guildford.gov.uk

- (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.