

COUNCIL

20 January 2020

CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL

Report of the Cabinet

Strategic Aim:	All	
Exempt Information	No	
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DECISION RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council:

1. Notes the Key Decisions made by Cabinet since the publication of the agenda for the previous ordinary meeting of the Council on 14 October 2019, as detailed in Appendix A of this report.
2. Approves the recommendations from Cabinet:
 - a) That the premium for long term empty homes be set as follows with effect from 1st April 2020:
 - 100% for properties that have been empty for more than two years
 - 200% for properties that have been empty for more than five years; and
 - From 2021/22 onwards, 300% for properties that have been empty for at least ten years
 - b) That the Strategic Director for Resources be given authority to waive the premium if the empty home was actively and genuinely being marketed for sale or rent or being renovated for occupation in accordance with the procedure in Appendix B of Report No. 152/2019.

15 October 2019
Decision No. 326
Report No. 152/2019

COUNCIL TAX - EMPTY HOMES PREMIUM

(Report appended for information – Appendix B)

3. Approves the recommendations from Cabinet:

- a) To remove two projects from the capital programme: officers mess and OEP Phase 2

19 November 2019

Decision No. 381

Report No. 170/2019

Quarter 2 Financial Management Report

(Report appended for information – Appendix C)

4. Approves the recommendation from Cabinet:

- a) Acceptance of the £29.4m Housing Infrastructure Fund grant.

23 December 2019

Decision No. 396

Report No. 185/2019

Housing Infrastructure Fund Bid Update

(Report appended for information – Appendix D)

1 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To consider the recommendations of Cabinet referred to Council since the publication of the agenda for the previous ordinary meeting of the Council on 14 October 2019.
- 1.2 To report to Council the Key Decisions made by Cabinet since the publication of the agenda for the previous ordinary meeting of the Council on 14 October 2019, as detailed in Appendix A of this report.

2 BACKGROUND AND MAIN CONSIDERATIONS

- 2.1 As outlined in Report Numbers: 152/2019, 170/2019, and 185/2019.
- 2.2 The Key Decisions listed in Appendix A have already been taken and can be found in the Cabinet Record of Decisions for the meetings of 15 October 2019, 19 November 2019, and 23 December 2019.

Following changes made to the Corporate Plan 2019-2024 (Report No. 159/2019) after the Cabinet meeting on 15 October 2019, the Corporate Plan which was recommended for approval by Cabinet will be taken as a separate item under Item 16 of the Council agenda.

3 CONSULTATION

- 3.1 As outlined in Report Numbers: 152/2019, 170/2019, and 185/2019.
- 3.2 Consultation for Key Decisions is included in the reports for the meetings of

Cabinet referred to in Appendix A.

4 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- 4.1 The only other option would be to not receive the Cabinet's report to Council. However Procedure Rule 246.3 of the Constitution requires the submission of the report.

5 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Any financial implications are outlined in Report Numbers: 152/2019, 170/2019, and 185/2019, or contained in the reports referred to in Appendix A.

6 LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE CONSIDERATIONS

- 6.1 As outlined in Report Numbers: 152/2019, 170/2019, and 185/2019.
- 6.2 The Key Decisions listed in Appendix A have already been taken and the record is for Council's information only.

7 DATA PROTECTION IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 Any Data Protection implications are outlined in Report Numbers: 152/2019, 170/2019, and 185/2019, or contained in the reports referred to in Appendix A.

8 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 8.1 Any Equality Impact Assessments are outlined in Report Numbers: 152/2019, 170/2019, and 185/2019, or contained in the reports referred to in Appendix A.

9 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 Any Community Safety implications are outlined in Report Numbers: 152/2019, 170/2019, and 185/2019, or contained in the reports referred to in Appendix A.

10 HEALTH AND WELLBEING IMPLICATIONS

- 10.1 Any Health and Wellbeing Implications are outlined in Report Numbers: 152/2019, 170/2019, and 185/2019, or contained in the reports referred to in Appendix A.

11 CONCLUSION AND SUMMARY OF REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

- 11.1 That the Council notes the report and considers the recommendations from Cabinet in order to ensure the procedure rules in the Constitution are followed.

12 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 12.1 Cabinet Record of Decisions from 15 October 2019, 19 November 2019, and 23 December 2019.

13 APPENDICES

- 13.1 Appendix A – Key Decisions made by Cabinet since the Previous Ordinary Meeting of the Council.

- 13.2 Appendix B – Report No. 152/2019 – Council Tax – Empty Homes Premium
- 13.3 Appendix C – Report No. 170/2019 – Quarter 2 Financial Management Report
- 13.4 Appendix D – Report No. 185/2019 – Housing Infrastructure Fund Bid Update

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