

**RECORD OF CABINET MEETING DECISIONS - WEDNESDAY, 24 JULY 2024**

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<b>5</b>	<b>Draft Statement of Accounts 2023/24</b>	<b>Considered</b> the authority’s draft Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024 (including the Pension Fund Accounts) submitted to Forvis Mazars for audit on 12 July 2024 (Appendix A of the report).	No
<b>6</b>	<b>2023/24 Revenue Outturn</b>	<b>Noted</b> the Council’s outturn position	Yes
<b>7</b>	<b>Treasury Management and Capital Outturn 2023/24</b>	<b>Noted</b> the Treasury Management Outturn Report for 2023/24 (Sections 4-10 of the report) and referred it to Full Council.  <b>Noted</b> the Capital Outturn Report for 2023/24 (Sections 11-14 of the report), which shows a substantial increase in investment from £177m in the previous year to £318m in 2023/24, which included;	No

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• £171m on the delivery of new homes via the Councils Greenwich Builds Programme: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ £104m on the construction of new homes</li> <li>○ £67m on the acquisition of new homes</li> </ul> </li> <li>• £56m investment in existing Council homes.</li> <li>• £20m acquiring properties to meet Temporary Accommodation, Rough Sleeping and Refugee pressures.</li> </ul> <p>And referred it to Full Council.</p> <p><b>Agreed</b> an additional allocation of £1.3m of approved contingency within the Priority Investment Programme, as a match funding contribution towards the £17.2m Future High Streets Fund programme (11.5-11.6 of the report).</p> <p><b>Noted</b> that comments were sought from Audit and Risk Management Panel with respect to decisions 1.1 and 1.2 of the report prior to Full Council on 24 July 2024.</p>	
8	<b>Medium Term Financial Strategy 2025/26+ update</b>	<p><b>Noted</b> a forecasted £27.3m overall resourcing gap in 2025/26, increasing substantially each year thereafter (Section 7 of the report)</p> <p><b>Noted</b> the potentially significant financial risks to the MTFS going forward (Section 6 of the report)</p>	No

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		<p><b>Noted</b> that the MTFS is a continuous process and will be updated on a regular basis</p>	
9	<p><b>Community Engagement Framework</b></p>	<p><b>Adopted</b> the Council’s first community engagement framework - now called the Our Greenwich: Community Engagement Pledge and the accompanying Our Greenwich: Community Engagement Handbook appended to the report as Appendix 1 and Appendix 2 respectively (together, the “Framework”).</p> <p><b>Agreed</b> that the Framework will inform the way in which the Council communicates with its residents and other stakeholders on proposals which involve engagement including consultation.</p> <p><b>Noted</b> that the Framework:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. is intended to both drive forward and build on the Council’s current examples of good community engagement work and ensure that best practice is rolled out across the entire authority.</li> <li>II. ensures the Council places residents at the centre of its plans and how they are delivered, with communities enabled to contribute to decision making, and see actions and outcomes from consultation and engagement.</li> </ul>	Yes

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		<p>III. has the purpose of enabling the whole Council to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ provide more opportunities for residents to have their say and broaden the range of activities undertaken to achieve this, including enabling deeper engagement and stronger relationships.</li> <li>▪ encourage more voices to be heard.</li> <li>▪ see more residents and more diverse communities contributing to and participating in community engagement and taking an active role in decision making.</li> </ul> <p><b>Noted</b> that following adoption by the Council the Framework is to be implemented and delivered by officers and elected members and can be used by the Council's partners to guide their community engagement efforts.</p>	
10	<b>Children and Young People's Plan - 2024-2029</b>	<b>Approved</b> the new Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP) 2024-2029 (Appendix I of the report) and <b>agreed</b> the high-level objectives (in paragraph 4.5 of the report) and the priorities suggested by the Greenwich Young People's Council outlined (in paragraph 4.6 of the report).	No

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11	<b>Royal Borough of Greenwich Air Quality Action Plan</b>	<b>Agreed</b> to proceed with the formal adoption, and publication of the borough's Air Quality Action Plan 2023-2028	Yes
12	<b>SEND and Inclusion Strategy 2024 - 2029</b>	<p><b>Approved</b> the objectives set out in the Local Area's revised SEND &amp; Inclusion Strategy (2024-2029)</p> <p><b>Approved</b> proposed publication and communication arrangements</p>	Yes
13	<b>Community Resource Strategy</b>	<b>Agreed</b> the proposed Community Resource Strategy and associated Needs Analysis at Appendix A.	Yes
14	<b>Culture Strategy</b>	<p><b>Adopted</b> the Culture Strategy that covers the period from 2024 to 2030, and which compliments the vision and missions of Our Greenwich.</p> <p><b>Noted</b> that this is believed to be the first cultural strategy for the borough. It has been developed through collaboration between the Council and our communities and the creative and cultural sectors, to create a strategic vision with eight strategic principles to be the catalyst for cultural development.</p> <p><b>Noted</b> that the Council has had a long and proud history of</p>	Yes

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		<p>supporting culture, and in a 2019 GLA report, Greenwich is named as one of the London Councils who spend the most on Culture in London (the other boroughs are City of London, Waltham Forest (in 2019 then the London Borough of Culture), Westminster and Tower Hamlets.</p> <p><b>Agreed</b> that the Council will explore the creation of an arm's length high-level strategic Culture Board to advocate for the strategy and the Implementation plan, and work in collaboration and partnership with our communities, cultural and creative sectors and stakeholders in synergy with the aims of our Equality and Equity Charter.</p> <p><b>Agreed</b> a review of the culture project funding schemes which include: Royal Greenwich Festivals, Black History 365 (BH 365) and the Community Arts Fund to ensure that they deliver against the eight principles of the culture strategy.</p> <p><b>Agreed</b> that Council officers should scope the creation of a culture development fund to support the aims of the strategy.</p>	
15	<b>GS Plus Ltd and GSS Ltd – Review of Direction of Travel</b>	<b>Agreed</b> to the continuation of the Council’s trading companies GS Plus Ltd and GSS Ltd beyond 31 March 2025, based on the existing delivery model and governed by a new 10-year Strategic Partnering Agreement to be developed and implemented by this	Yes

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		date.  <b>Agreed</b> to retain the responsibility for the net assets / liabilities from GSP's membership of the RBG Pension Fund (the pool is currently fully funded).	