ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH

CABINET

WEDNESDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER 2019 AT 5.30 PM

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Members:
Councillors Danny Thorpe (Chair), David Gardner (Vice-Chair), Christine Grice, Sizwe James, Chris Kirby, Averil Lekau, Jackie Smith and Miranda Williams

Officers
Director of Communities and Environment, Director of Legal Services, Director of Finance, Senior Assistant Director Health and Adult Services, Director of Regeneration, Enterprise and Skills, Director of Children's Services, Deputy Director Communities & Environment, and, Managing Director of GSP Ltd and GSS Ltd and Corporate Governance Officer

Other People in Attendance
Mark Godfrey (Independent Chair of Royal Greenwich Safeguarding Adults Board)

Item No.

1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were presented on behalf of Councillors Denise Hyland and Denise Scott-McDonald.

2 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.
3 Declarations of Interest

Resolved -

That the list of Councillors’ Membership, as Council appointed representatives, on outside bodies, joint committees and School Governing bodies be noted.

4 Minutes

Resolved -

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 10 July 2019 be agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.

5 Royal Borough of Greenwich Safeguarding Adults Annual Report

The report was presented by the Independent Chair of the Royal Greenwich Safeguarding Adults Board (RGSAB).

Members received a presentation with videos entitled “Domestic Abuse is not ok” as this was an area of focus for the RGSAB. The Independent Chair confirmed the 2 videos plus the presentation were being screened in General Gordon Square and GP Surgeries for a period of 6 months. He highlighted the Safeguarding Adults month which provided multiple learning and network opportunities.

In addressing the meeting, Councillor Averil Lekau, The Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care highlighted the success of the Safeguarding Adults Conference and the good work being carried in the area.

In summing up, the Independent Chair described the Challenge Event and priorities for 2019/20 and stated the focus for the year would be young people transitioning into adulthood. He added that Members were always welcome to attend the events.

Cabinet

Resolved –
That the 2018/19 Royal Greenwich Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report be noted.

6 School Place Planning and Capital Programme 2019/20

The report was presented by the Director of Childrens Services.

Cabinet

Resolved –

That the projected demand for school places in the Royal Borough of Greenwich and the key points set out in the Executive Summary under Section 3 of the report be noted.

That the proposals for delivering additional primary and secondary school places up to 2022, as specified in Sections 8 and 9 of the report be agreed.

That it be agreed to revoke the earlier decision to expand Ark Greenwich Free School.

That it be agreed to remodel Eltham Hill School by one form of entry, as detailed in Section 9 of the report.

That the projected demand for places in the Royal Borough of Greenwich for children with special educational needs and disabilities be noted, and proposals for how this demand will be met, as set out in Section 11 of the report be considered.

That it be noted the Royal Greenwich received increased capital funding allocation of £3,468,346 from the Department for Education (DfE) to create additional special needs places and improve existing facilities over a three year period from 2018/19.

Agreed the proposed re-allocation of available funding, secured s106 developer contributions and unused programme contingencies, in accordance with changing priorities, as set out in Section 12 of this report, in line with the Council’s Scheme of Delegation and delegate to the Directors of Children’s Services and Regeneration Enterprise and Skills (DRES) the
authority to vary the Capital Programme as may be required to address future needs within the agreed level of resources.

7  **Greenwich Neighbourhood Growth Fund - Feedback on review and proposals for Round 3**

The report was presented by the Director of Regeneration, Enterprise and Skills.

Cabinet

**Resolved –**

That the outcome of the Greenwich Neighbourhood Growth Fund review consultation be noted.

That the suggested amendments to the GNGF award process as set out in Section 4 be agreed and that it be noted that the award process will be kept under review, with any further appropriate changes being made in advance of Round 4

That the arrangements for Round 3 set out in Section 5 be agreed.

The meeting closed at 5.46 pm

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Chair