

**Havering Council – Decisions taken by the Cabinet on Wednesday, 8 November 2023**

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**Note: this decision list is for guidance only. The text of the minutes, which may be different, is definitive.**

**Part A – Items considered in public**

<b>A4</b>	Minutes	The minutes of the meeting held on <b>4<sup>th</sup> October 2023</b> , were agreed as a correct record and the Chair signed them.
<b>A5</b>	Update on the 2024-25 Budget	<p>Report; <b>Progress on the 2024/25 Budget and MTFS Update</b></p> <p>The Cabinet <b>agreed</b> to the recommendations in the report:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cabinet <b>agreed</b> that we proceed with consultation on the £11.9m of budget savings proposals set out in section 4.7 of this report and appendix A.</li> <li>2. Cabinet <b>noted</b> that that despite the £11.9m of proposals put forward, there is still a residual budget gap of £12.0m and that Officers will be putting additional proposals forward for further consideration and decision in due course.</li> <li>3. Cabinet <b>agreed</b> for Officers to engage with the Department of Levelling Up and Communities to formally request a Capitalisation Directive which will only be drawn down in the event the Council is unable to set a legally balanced budget for 24/25.</li> <li>4. Cabinet <b>noted</b> the actions the Council is taking to control in-year spending.</li> <li>5. Cabinet agreed the Consultation approach set out in Section 6 of this report.</li> </ol>

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A6	Annual review of the Community Safety Plan 2022-25	<p>Report: <b>Annual Review of the Community Safety Plan 2022-25</b></p> <p>Cabinet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Noted</b> the update on the implementation of the Community Safety Plan set out in this Report.</li> <li>2. <b>Approved</b> the priorities for action for the period 2023-25 set out at para 3 of this Report.</li> </ol>
A7	To approve Update to Phase 5 school expansion	<p>Report: <b>Outline Proposals to address Early Years, Primary, Secondary, SEND and AP rising rolls – Update to Phase 5 expansion Programme</b></p> <p><b>Cabinet:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Agreed</b> Phase 5 school expansion programmes should continue to be developed based on the following approach in line with the decision on the <a href="#">Children &amp; Young People Education Place Planning Plan 2023-2027</a> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. To have a preference for expanding <b>existing popular and high-performing schools</b> and inclusion of nursery provision and SEND units where appropriate and in areas where there are no schools with high surplus capacity.</li> <li>ii. To consider the expansion of existing schools, but only to a maximum size of 4FE in the primary phase, ensuring at all times that high standards of education are paramount.</li> <li>iii. To consider the delivery of additional primary and secondary places as a</li> </ol> </li> </ol>

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		<p style="text-align: center;">result of major regeneration through establishment of new schools.</p> <p><b>2. Agreed</b> that in respect of all proposals set out below that all relevant statutory processes, including planning, should be followed and where the process is the responsibility of an Academy to provide all necessary support. Where consultation is necessary the proposals below are subject to the outcome of such consultation.</p> <p><b>3. Approved</b> the detailed stage 1 programme of works totalling £70m to fund Phase 5 of the Schools Expansion Programme from 2023/24 to 2026/27, noting that this is fully externally funded.</p>