

# Strategy and Resources Scrutiny Committee 30 September 2024

## Decisions

5. To note the Executive Decision taken by the Executive Councillor for Finance and Resources: Funding for Cherry Hinton Community Benefit Society Limited for fitting out and starting up the Cherry Hinton Hub

The decision was noted.

6. Combined Authority Update Report

The Leader of the Council agreed the following:

- To note the update on the Board and issues considered at the meeting of the Combined Authority Board AGM and Board meeting held on 24 July and 4 September 2024.

7. General Fund Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) 2025/26-2034/35

The Executive Councillor for Finance and Resources agreed the following:

- To approve the Council's General Fund Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) 2025/26-2034/35, as attached at Appendix A.
- To approve the 2024/25 capital bid of an additional £487,000 for essential repairs of the riverbank at Jesus Green, as set out at page 19 of the attached MTFS.
- To note the other changes to the capital plan approved under delegated powers since approval of the Budget Setting Report, as set out in section 5 of the attached MTFS.
- To set the General Fund reserve Prudent Minimum Balance at £6.541 million, and the target level at £7.849 million, as recommended by the Chief Finance Officer.

## 8. Our Cambridge – Group Design Programme and Alignment with BSR

The Leader of the Council agreed the following:

- Agree design principles for Communities Group and the Economy and Place Group, and delegates authority to the relevant Director/CEO to develop and implement internal organisation in line with Council policy.
- Recommend to the Executive the inclusion of proposals in the public consultation that will impact service delivery on the strategic outline budget. Following consultation final decisions will go through the budget setting process.
- Note the overall approach to achieving £6m savings over the 25/26 and 26/27 budget cycle as recommended in the MTFS.

## 9. 3C ICT Shared Service Review.

The Executive Councillor for Finance and Resources agreed the following:

- Note the final report submitted by Triple Value Impact (TVI) (Appendix 1 – confidential item);
- Agree to the recommended option 1 (redesigned 3C ICT and Digital, Lead Authority remains HDC) and to delegate the responsibility for finalising the scope and detailed nature of the new agreement and associated activities to the Chief Executives and respective Portfolio Holders for each partnership council reporting on progress through the revised member board.

## 10. Hartree Vacant Possession Strategy

Members voted to go into exempt session as the report relates to information which following a public interest test the public is likely to be excluded by virtue of paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 ie. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

The Leader of the Council agreed the recommendations.