

# NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## DECISION SHEET

Meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held in the Room 2, District Council Offices,  
Gernon Road, Letchworth Garden City, Herts, SG6 3JF  
on Tuesday, 2nd July, 2024 at 7.30 pm

### 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ralph Muncer, Tina Bhartwas, Laura Williams and Louise Peace.

Having given due notice, Councillor Claire Strong substituted for Councillor Muncer.

### 2 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (1) The Chair advised that, in accordance with Council Policy, the meeting would be recorded.
- (2) The Chair drew attention to the item on the agenda front pages regarding Declarations of Interest and reminded Members that, in line with the Code of Conduct, any Declarations of Interest needed to be declared immediately prior to the item in question.
- (3) The Chair advised that for the purposes of clarification clause 4.8.23(a) of the Constitution does not apply to this meeting.

### 3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation at this meeting.

### 4 PRODUCTIVITY PLAN

**RECOMMENDED TO CABINET:** That Cabinet delegates to the Leader of the Council and Managing Director authority to agree any amendments required to the Productivity Plan as a result of discussion at either Overview and Scrutiny Committee and/or Cabinet and authority to submit the Plan on behalf of the Council.

**REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION:** The recommendations are to ensure that the Council complies with the requirements set out by DLUHC to produce a Productivity Plan.

### 5 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

**RESOLVED:** That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the said Act (as amended).

### 6 WASTE, RECYCLING AND STREET CLEANSING CONTRACT AWARD PART 2

**RECOMMENDED TO CABINET:** That the Part 2 report be noted.

**REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION:**

- (1) An extensive procurement exercise has been undertaken for waste, recycling and street cleansing services.
- (2) The procurement including specification development has been supported by external consultants Eunomia and legal advisors from Sharpe Pritchard.

**7 WASTE, RECYCLING AND STREET CLEANSING CONTRACT AWARD PART 1**

***RECOMMENDED TO CABINET:***

- (1) That Cabinet agrees to award the waste, recycling and street cleansing contract to the preferred bidder, as identified in Part 2 of this report.
- (2) That Cabinet agrees to the delegation of powers to the Director of Resources and the Director of Place in consultation with the Executive Members for Finance and IT and Recycling and Waste Management to determine whether the Council Capital funds vehicles.
- (3) That Cabinet agrees to approve the formation of a joint mobilisation project board to include the Executive Members responsible for Finance and IT as well as the Executive Member covering waste, recycling and street cleansing services for both EHC and North Herts to monitor the progress of the mobilisation of the waste, recycling and street cleansing contract.
- (4) That Cabinet has regard for the draft statutory guidance in Appendix 6 and taking into account the matters set out in this Part 2 report and any Part 2 clarifications, reconfirms the decision on the 3-weekly collection frequency of residual waste collections made by Cabinet as per 7.5 and provides clear reasons for the decision.

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