

North East Derbyshire District Council – Decisions taken by the Cabinet on Thursday, 31 July 2025

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Item 4	Complaints Performance and Service Improvement Report for Housing	<p><u>RESOLVED</u> that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Cabinet note and agree to the publication of the annual Complaints Performance and Service Improvement Report for Housing. (2) the governing body's response to the report be publicised on the website. (3) Cabinet note and agree the publication of the Self Assessment against the Code. <p><u>REASONS FOR DECISION</u> - To comply with legislation and the Housing Ombudsman's regulatory requirements. To ensure the complaints procedures were working in practice and compliant with the Code. To ensure complaints were open and transparent to the public in line with legislation.</p> <p><u>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED</u> - Not to have a Self Assessment and annual Complaints Performance Service Improvement report, this was rejected as this would not comply with legislation.</p> <p>This was not a Key Decision and so can be implemented with immediate effect by officers.</p>
Item 5	Medium Term Financial Plan - Financial Outturn 2024/25	<p><u>RESOLVED</u> that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) the outturn position in respect of the 2024/25 financial year be noted. (2) the proposed carry forward of capital budgets detailed in Appendix 4 to the report, totalling £16.462m be approved.

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		<p><u>REASONS FOR DECISION</u> – During 2024/25 the Council managed its budget effectively securing a favourable financial position on net cost of services of £1.209m underspend despite a continuing challenging financial backdrop. This underspend has meant that rather than having to call on reserves it has been possible to contribute £1.084m to the Resilience reserve at outturn from efficiencies identified during the year.</p> <p>The Capital Programme saw progress on approved schemes during the 2024/25 financial year. There were, however, a number of schemes which were work in progress and this required that the associated expenditure and funding be carried forward into the 2025/26 financial year.</p> <p><u>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED</u> – The financial outturn report for 2024/25 was primarily a factual report detailing the actual position compared to previously approved budgets, therefore there were no alternative options that needed to be considered.</p> <p>This was not a Key Decision and so can be implemented with immediate effect by officers.</p>
Item 6	Treasury Management Financial Outturn	<p><u>RESOLVED</u> that the outturn position in respect of the 2024/25 financial year be noted.</p> <p><u>REASONS FOR DECISION</u> - The Council operated in line with its agreed Treasury Management Strategy during the 2024/25 financial year. This ensured that lending and borrowing arrangements were prudent and sustainable, minimising the risk of financial loss to the Council. Effective management of these arrangements ensured that interest costs during the year were minimised to assist the Council's revenue position whilst interest receivable increased slightly above budget due to increased interest rates.</p> <p><u>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED</u> - This report was primarily a</p>

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		<p>factual report detailing the actual position against the Council's previously approved treasury management strategy. Accordingly, the report does not set out any options where a decision is required by Members.</p> <p>This was not a Key Decision and so can be implemented with immediate effect by officers.</p>
Item 7	Budget Monitoring Report April - June 2025 (Q1)	<p><u>RESOLVED</u> that the report be noted.</p> <p><u>REASONS FOR DECISION</u> - The report summarises the financial position of the Council following the first quarter's budget monitoring exercise for the General Fund, the Housing Revenue Account and Capital Programme.</p> <p><u>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED</u> - This report is concerned with monitoring the position against the Council's previously approved budget. Accordingly, the report does not set out any options where a decision is required by Members.</p> <p>This was not a Key Decision and so can be implemented with immediate effect by officers.</p>
Item 10	Disposal of Land to Enable Extra Care Facility	<p><u>RESOLVED</u> that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Cabinet agree with the principle development proposals as outlined in the RIBA Stage 2 report and that a full detailed planning application will now be submitted for the scheme. The disposal of the site would then be conditional upon satisfactory planning permission being granted and the sale being agreed in accordance with recommendation 3 below. (2) Cabinet agree to the implementation of a Local Lettings Policy to give priority to the existing tenants of the Manor Farm Bungalows.

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		<p>(3) Delegated Powers be granted to the Director of Growth & Assets (in consultation with the Portfolio Holder) to finalise the terms for the disposal of the Council's freehold interest in the site and enter into any associated agreements or serve any relevant notices in pursuit of the development proposals. The final agreed land receipt and the proposed rent schedule being subject to an independent valuation confirming that "best consideration" has been achieved.</p> <p>(4) Cabinet agreed that if vacant possession is not achieved on the Manor Farm Bungalows then statutory Eviction Notices will have to be served at some point to give the developer certainty of delivering the project. This could give rise to homelessness payments, as detailed in the report.</p> <p>(5) Cabinet approve the appropriation of land at the Manor Bungalows under section 122 of the Local Government Act 1972 for planning purposes and the transfer of the land from the HRA to the General Fund.</p> <p><u>REASONS FOR DECISION</u> - The proposed disposal of Manor Farm to enable a 45-unit extra care facility in Dronfield was strongly aligned with the Council's strategic ambitions as set out in the Council Plan 2023-2027. The Plan commits to improving the quality and range of housing, ensuring homes meet residents' needs, and supporting vulnerable people to live independently for longer. The development directly supports these aims by delivering supported-living accommodation in a high-demand area, helping to reduce pressure on health and social care services while enabling older residents to remain in their communities. The scheme also contributes to the Council's place-based regeneration goals by promoting high-quality design and sustainable living environments and contributes to the delivery of the Dronfield Civic Centre Masterplan.</p> <p><u>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED</u> - Do Nothing – The site has been vacant for a number of years and its condition is declining. The annual cost to hold the</p>

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