

**CABINET  
14TH SEPTEMBER 2023**

PRESENT: The Leader (Councillor Miah)  
The Deputy Leader (Councillor Hamilton)  
Councillors Ashcroft, Blackshaw, A. Gray, Jadeja,  
Jones and Tillotson

Councillor Seaton

Chief Executive  
Director Finance, Governance and Contracts  
Head of Governance and Human Resources  
Director Customer Experience  
Head of Finance  
Democratic Services Officer (LS)

APOLOGIES: None

The Leader stated that this meeting would be recorded and the sound recording subsequently made available via the Council's website. He also advised that, under the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012, other people may film, record, tweet or blog from this meeting, and the use of any such images or sound recordings was not under the Council's control.

24. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS, AND OTHER REGISTRABLE AND NON-REGISTRABLE INTERESTS

No disclosures were made.

25. LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements were made.

26. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 10th August 2023 were confirmed as a correct record and signed.

27. QUESTIONS UNDER CABINET PROCEDURE 10.7

No questions had been submitted.

28. CAPITAL PLAN AMENDMENT REPORT

Considered, a report of the Head of Finance to consider amendments to the 2023/24-2025/26 Capital Plan and its financing (item 6 on the agenda filed with these minutes).

Councillor Seaton, Chair of the Scrutiny Commission, presented a report setting out the Commission's pre-decision scrutiny of the matter and recommendation (copy filed with these minutes).

**RESOLVED** that the current Capital Plan for 2023/24-2025/26, as amended by the changes shown in Appendix 1 to the report, in the budgeted sum of £52,240,200, be approved:

1. to add a new scheme - Town Hall – Main Auditorium Air Handling Equipment of £90k in 2023/24 – to enable the replacement of the chiller and improve the operational efficiency of the system, funded from a virement of £20k from Planned Building Improvements and the remainder from capital receipts;
2. to increase the budget for the Replacement Hardware Programme by £45k in 2023/24 – to enable the purchase of laptops and headsets for new councillors, and replace existing equipment for returning councillors;
3. to increase the budget for Shepshed Public Open Space Enhancement by £8.4k – for additional improvement works at Morley Quarry funded from grant received from Natural England;
4. to add a new scheme – Sileby Memorial Park totalling £473.1k (£83.1k in 2023/24 and £390k in 2024/25), for the regeneration and improvement of green spaces in Sileby – fully funded by S106 contributions;
5. to add a new scheme – Halstead Road Sport and Recreation Scheme, Mountsorrel of £523.1k in 2024/25, for the provision of various hub facilities – fully funded by S106 contributions;
6. to increase Infrastructure IT Development budget by £20k in 2023/24, due to delays in the IT supply chain, to be funded from capital receipts;
7. to increase IT Cloud Implementation budget by £20k in 2023/24, due to delays supply chain, to be funded from capital receipts;
8. a virement of £60.2k in 2023/24 from Sheltered Housing Improvements budget to Delivery of Stock Condition Survey and Associated Costs budget to enable the final payment to be made;
9. to note additional decisions taken by Officers, in relation to new S106 schemes added to the Capital Programme, also included in Appendix 1 to the report;
10. to note amendments to the Capital Programme since 9th February 2023 minute 58.

### Reasons

To enable the current Capital Plan to be the basis for capital spending by the Council and so that schemes may proceed and:

1. To enable the Town Hall – Main Auditorium Air Handling Equipment budget to be available in 2023/24.
2. To confirm that the Replacement Hardware Programme be increased by £45k in 2023/24 funded by capital receipts.
3. To confirm that the Shepshed Public Open Space Enhancement scheme be increased funded by external grant.
4. To enable the Sileby Memorial Park budget to be available in 2023/24 and 2024/25, which is funded by S106 contributions.
5. To enable the Halstead Road Sport and Recreation Scheme, Mountsorrel budget to be available in 2024/25, funded by S106 contributions.
6. To confirm that the Infrastructure Development scheme be increased, funded from capital receipts.
7. To confirm that the Cloud Implementation scheme be increased, funded from capital receipts.
8. To enable the Delivery of Stock Condition Survey and Associated Costs budget to be available in 2023/24.
9. To note those decisions.
10. To note amendments to the Capital Programme since Cabinet 9th February 2023 minute 58.

29. EXEMPT INFORMATION

**RESOLVED** that members of the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following item on the grounds that it would involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 and it is considered that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

*The Democratic Services Officer stopped the sound recording of the meeting.*

30. REVENUES AND BENEFITS SERVICE – FUTURE OPTIONS

Considered, an exempt report of the Director Customer Experience to consider the delivery of the Revenues and Benefits Service from October 2024 onwards (item 8 on the agenda filed with these minutes).

Councillor Seaton, Chair of the Scrutiny Commission, presented an exempt report setting out the Commission's pre-decision scrutiny of the matter and recommendation (copy filed with these minutes).

**RESOLVED** that decisions be made as detailed in the exempt minute (Cabinet Minute 30E 2023/24).

Reasons

As set out in the exempt minute (Cabinet Minute 30E 2023/24).

NOTES:

1. The following officers listed as present attended this meeting virtually: The Director Customer Experience, the Head of Finance. The remaining officers listed as present attended in person.
2. The decisions in these minutes not in the form of recommendations to Council will come into effect at noon on Friday, 22nd September 2023 unless called in under Scrutiny Committee Procedure Rule 11.7. Decisions in the form of recommendations to Council are not subject to call in.
3. No reference may be made to these minutes at the next available Ordinary Council meeting unless notice to that effect is given to the Democratic Services Manager by five members of the Council by noon on Friday, 22nd September 2023.
4. These minutes are subject to confirmation as a correct record at the next meeting of the Cabinet.