



## Leader Decisions Taken

Information on decisions taken by the Leader since the last full Council agenda. For an up-to-date list of decisions taken and forthcoming decisions, please refer to the Council's website – <https://buckinghamshire.moderngov.co.uk/>

27 Nov 2023

### **FR09.23 - Local Authority Housing Fund – Refugees Freehold Acquisition**

The Leader:

- AGREED the balance of the LAHF funding (detailed in the confidential appendix) approved by the Key Decision Paper 'Local Authority Housing Fund – Refugees Freehold Acquisitions' agreed on 25/08/2023 be used for the purchase and refurbishment of Holmers House/Jasmine Court.
- AGREED to release Council Capital Funding (amount details in the confidential appendix), from the Housing Enabling Programme, to fund the refurbishment of 13 'Move On' temporary accommodation units within Holmers House & Jasmine Court, to enable the delivery of Revenue Savings in Temporary Accommodation and meet the MTFP savings target.
- AGREED that the Director of Property and Assets in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Accessible Housing and Resources, the Cabinet Member for Homelessness and Regulatory Services and S151 Officer is authorised to finalise and conclude due diligence and agree freehold contracts, exchange and complete on the acquisition of Holmers House/Jasmine Court.
- AGREED that annual income negotiated with the Registered Provider is ringfenced for the creation of a maintenance sinking fund, to meet long term maintenance costs.
- AGREED that the Director of Property and Assets is delegated authority to proceed to apply for any relevant planning permission and undertake a suitable procurement exercise, in order to deliver a scheme of refurbishment to the property, within the budget in consultation with the Cabinet Members for Accessible Housing and Resources, and Homelessness and Regulatory Services.

- **AGREED** that the Director of Housing in consultation with the Cabinet Members for Accessible Housing and Resources and Homelessness and Regulatory Services, is authorised to agree the terms of the management arrangements.

**This decision is being made under ‘special urgency’ provisions of the constitution as the terms of the LAHF grant necessitate commitment of funds prior to the end of November, to include at least an exchange of contracts.**

7 Dec 2023

**TR30.23 - Fleet Trading Account Budget**

**The Leader:**

**AGREED** the Fleet Trading Account budget for 2023-24 in line with current Financial Regulations.

11 Dec 2023

**PR05.23 - Rosefield Solar Farm Development Consent Order EIA Scoping consultation response**

**The Leader:**

**APPROVED** the Council’s response to the Planning Inspectorate’s statutory consultation on the Applicant’s request for The Secretary of State to issue an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Scoping Opinion for Rosefield Solar Farm Development Consent Order.

This decision is being taken under ‘special urgency’ provisions of the constitution in order to meet the deadline of 11 December 2023 for a consultation response to the EIA scoping.

19 Dec 2023

**TR31.23 - Bierton Traffic Calming**

**The Leader:**

**APPROVED** the traffic calming scheme

21 Dec 2023

**EC09.23 - Juniper Hill School Opening of a new SEMH Unit and Closure of existing ARP**

**The Leader:**

**APPROVED the proposal to open a Social, Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) Unit at Juniper Hill School and to Close the Physical Disability (PD) Additional Resource Provision (ARP) from 1st September 2024.**

21 Dec 2023

**EC10.23 - Furze Down School Relocation of Sixth Form**

**The Leader:**

**APPROVED the proposal to relocate Furze Down School's sixth form (up to 40 pupils) to the Short Break Day Service Building in Buckingham and expansion of the number of pupils on the Winslow site by 26 places to 180 with effect from 1st September 2024.**

22 Dec 2023

**HW09.23 - Buckinghamshire Sexual and Reproductive Health Strategy for 2024 – 2029**

**The Leader:**

**APPROVED the content of the Buckinghamshire Sexual and Reproductive Health Strategy**

4 Jan 2024

**L01.24 - Aylesbury New Primary Grid Connection - Revised Delivery Contract and Capacity Allocation**

**The Leader:**

- **AGREED that the Council will enter into a revised contract with UK Power Networks (UKPN) for the delivery of the AGR Project, noting that significant changes to the regulatory environment have removed the market failure which originally required intervention by the Council.**
- **APPROVED the use of HIF-funded capital budget of £3,203,170 within the Capital Programme to progress the Council contractual delivery requirements.**
- **AGREED to delegate authority to the Corporate Director, Planning, Growth & Sustainability, to sign the contract variation.**

5 Jan 2024

**EC08.23 - Childcare Sufficiency Assessment 2022-2023**

**The Leader:**

- (a) **AGREED the Childcare Sufficiency Assessment for Buckinghamshire 2022/2023 and**

**(b) NOTED the contents of the report and identified priorities prior to publication on the Buckinghamshire Council website.**

9 Jan 2024

**CO01.24 - Modern Slavery Statement 2022-2023**

**The Leader:**

**AGREED the Modern Slavery Statement for Buckinghamshire Council.**

11 Jan 2024

**TR32.23 - Closure of parking facility at Hampden House**

**The Leader:**

- **APPROVED permanent closure of the Hampden House public car park facility in Aylesbury.**
- **NOTED that Asset Management will explore disposal/letting options and report on recommended options.**

12 Jan 2024

**PR06.23 - RAF Halton Supplementary Planning Document**

**The Leader:**

**APPROVED for public consultation the RAF Halton Supplementary Planning Document.**

16 Jan 2024

**EC11.23 - School Competitions Recommendation of Preferred Sponsors**

**The Leader AGREED:**

**That the Council recommends to the RD and DfE that:**

- **Bidder A is the Council's preferred bidder to run the new primary school and SEMH unit on the Kingsbrook development in Aylesbury;**
- **Bidder B is the Council's preferred bidder to run the new primary school and ASC Unit on the Hampden Fields development; and,**
- **Bidder C is the Council's preferred bidder to run the new primary school on the South West Milton Keynes Development (Land in Buckinghamshire South Of The A421 West Of Far Bletchley North Of The East West Rail Link And East Of Whaddon Road Newton Longville)**

7 Feb 2024

**HR01.24 - Scrap metal licensing policy**

**The Leader:**

**AGREED the adoption of a new Scrap Metal Licensing Policy for Buckinghamshire Council to be implemented from a date to be agreed by the Head of Licensing, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Homelessness and Regulatory Services and Chairman of Licensing Committee.**

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