COUNCIL MEETING, 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

REPORT OF THE Leader/Cabinet

PART II

1. HCC CLIMATE CHANGE INITIATIVES

- 1.1. At its meeting on 13 July Cabinet approved a spend of £1.2 million for a programme of climate change neutrality and risk mitigation activities relating to the operational activities of the County Council.
- 1.2. The Council declared a Climate Emergency in June 2019 and committed to achieving net carbon neutrality. Corporately a Climate Change programme was established to deliver on the county-wide target of carbon emissions reduction to net zero and resilience to a 2°C temperature rise by 2050.
- 1.3 The proposals are a combination of pilot projects, acceleration of existing schemes, a community offer and a strong educational focus. They are designed to enhance the Council's leadership on climate change by accelerating and demonstrating the County Council's own practice and intentions.

2. SERVING HAMPSHIRE – 2020/21 YEAR END PERFORMANCE REPORT

2.1 On the 13 July Cabinet also received the Serving Hampshire – 2020/21 Year End Performance Report. It was resolved to note the County Council's high performance and acknowledge and thank staff for their contribution to achieving this outcome in an exceptionally difficult year. Progress to advance inclusion and diversity was noted as set out in the report. Cabinet also noted the determinations of the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman (LGSCO) in 2020-21, and the assessment decisions contained in the LGSCO Report 2019-20 report. The determination of the LGSCO released on 20 May 2021 was considered and noted.

3. REGULATION 11 (KEY DECISIONS)

3.1 Regulation 11 (special urgency) allows for a key decision to be made if it is impracticable for notice of the intention to take a key decision under Regulation 9 to be given 28 clear days in advance of the taking of the decision. This also allows for a Key Decision to be taken where it is impractical for public notice at least five working days before the decision is taken to be given in accordance with Regulation 10. Regulation 11 sets out the actions required to be taken in those circumstances which include gaining the consent of the Chairman of the relevant Select Committee or in their absence, of the Chairman of the County Council. Details of Key Decisions taken under Regulation 11 must be presented to the County Council.

3.2 On 26 July 2021, the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services took a Key Decision on Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) Additional Grant Recommendations Summer 2021. It was impracticable to give the required 28 days' notice of the Executive Lead Member's intention to take this Key Decision due to the timing of mobilisation for delivery of services by the summer holidays. Delivering in the summer holidays is a condition of the Department for Education grant. In accordance with Regulation 11, agreement was obtained from the Chairman of the Children and Young People Select Committee, that the Key Decision was urgent and could not reasonably be deferred.

Further details can be found at the links below:

Cabinet, 13th July, 2021

Executive Lead Member for Children's Services Decision Day, 26 July 2021

COUNCILLOR KEITH MANS Leader and Chairman of Cabinet