

## CABINET

### RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COUNCIL

12TH JULY 2017

#### **1. FINANCIAL OUTTURN 2016/17 AND RESERVES**

The Cabinet has considered a report on the Council's financial position for Revenue and Capital for the Financial Year 2016/17.

It is RECOMMENDED

- (a) that the outturn financial position on Revenue and Capital and the transfer to balances of £238k as detailed in the report be noted;
- (b) that the movements of £549k in existing reserves as set out in Appendix 3 to the report, which reflects the approval required for April 2016 – March 2017 be approved;
- (c) that the addition of new reserves of £899k as set out in Appendix 3 to the report, which reflects the approval required for April 2016 – March 2017 be approved.

#### **2. PLANNING POLICY AND CONSERVATION SHARED SERVICE BUSINESS CASE**

The Cabinet has considered the Business Case for a shared Planning Policy Service between Bromsgrove District Council and Redditch Borough Council including in house Conservation advice. The proposal had been recommended for approval by the Shared Services Board at its meeting on 6th July 2017.

It is RECOMMENDED

- (1) that approval be requested from Council to endorse the Shared Service Business Case for Planning Policy including Conservation advice (as set out in Appendix 1 to the report);
- (2) that the new Planning Policy Service be charged to both Councils on the percentage share as defined by the 2016/17 budget allocations:
  - (a) Bromsgrove 60%
  - (b) Redditch 40%(with 2(a) and 2(b) to be reviewed in 12 months' time after the introduction of the shared service)
- (c) the financial split for the Conservation element is proposed as 75% Bromsgrove and 25% Redditch to reflect the greater number of Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas within the administrative area of Bromsgrove
- (3) that the service be hosted by Bromsgrove District Council due to the larger geographical area, complexity of planning issues and the higher number of Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas.

**(The report and appendices in respect of this recommendation are Exempt and are included on “pink” paper at the back of the Council agenda. If Members wish to refer/comment in detail on the documents it will be necessary to consider the Exclusion of the Public from the meeting)**