

RECOMMENDATIONS TO FULL COUNCIL 2 OCTOBER 2025 FROM THE CABINET MEETING HELD ON 23 SEPTEMBER 2025

CAB75 PLAYING PITCH AND SPORTS FACILITIES STRATEGY ADOPTION

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The Portfolio Holder presented the report and outlined how the Strategies would protect spaces and support future funding opportunities.

In response to Cabinet Members questions and comments, it was confirmed that Fields in Trust would remain subject to the current consultation process. It was also clarified that the strategy did not commit to anything, its purpose was to identify potential areas for future development and improvement and lever in funding.

Cabinet noted the importance of being a Marmot place and links to Health and Wellbeing, the variety of facilities available and the age ranges of users.

RECOMMENDED: That Council agree to adopt the playing pitch and sports facilities strategies.

REASON FOR DECISION: To ensure that any decisions around the provision of sport and leisure facilities within the borough are in line with the overall strategy.

CAB76 BUDGET MONITORING QUARTER 1 - 2025/2026

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Cabinet noted that the Corporate Performance Panel had considered this report and supported the recommendations.

The Assistant Director presented the report and highlighted the recommendation to make amendments to the process to move projects between tiers to enable agile decision making.

The Portfolio Holder commended officers for their work to improve the budget position and noted that further work was being carried out on capital spend levels. He also highlighted the potential impact of Local Government Reorganisation, the Second Homes Premium and the Homelessness prevention grant, which strengthened the need to retain healthy reserves.

Officers confirmed that early engagement with Parishes would take place where there could be impacts on their precept levels and lobbying of Government in relation to the Internal Drainage Board levies was continuing.

RECOMMENDED: Revisions as set out in Appendix F to this report to the 'Capital Programme Process' within the approved Capital Strategy for 2025/2026 are adopted.

REASON FOR DECISION: To keep Cabinet informed of performance against budget for Capital and Revenue 2025/2026 based on Quarter 1 data.

CAB79 **CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION**

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The Monitoring Officer presented the report and provided detail of the schedule of substantial changes, as included in the Agenda.

Councillor Morley was pleased to see proposals for an Independent Member on the Audit Committee progressing.

With regard to Outside Bodies it was confirmed that the purpose for appointing Members to Outside Bodies was sufficiently wide and that Members would need to navigate their roles depending on the capacity in which they were appointed and manage any conflicts of interest.

Cabinet noted the work of the Constitution Informal Working Group and noted the ongoing review of Scrutiny Arrangements which would come forward in due course for consideration.

RECOMMENDED: Cabinet recommends to Full Council that the Schedule of Substantive Changes to the Constitution at Annex 1 of the report are approved, to be effective immediately.

REASON FOR DECISION: To fulfil the Council's duty to review its Constitution and keep it up to date.