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**Part A – Items considered in public**

<p><b>A5</b></p>	<p>Supported Living Initiative - 180 Culver Road, Basingstoke</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Endorse the work undertaken by officers to date and the partnership approach taken as set out in the report.</li> <li>2. Approve the revision of council’s covenant at NIL value on the property at 180 Culver Road Basingstoke, to support the delivery of a supported living scheme as detailed in this report. This accords with S123 of the Local Government Act 1972 where any covenant revision which may be at less than best consideration, can proceed where social, economic and environmental benefits can be achieved.</li> <li>3. Delegate the detailed terms and conditions associated with the revision of the covenant, and related</li> </ol>	<p>The proposed scheme to be delivered for supported housing will provide additional accommodation for homeless persons and those at risk of becoming homeless. The proposal meets a range of objectives in the Council Plan and key priorities in the Housing and Homelessness Strategy, including housing some of the Borough’s most vulnerable residents. The new building will significantly improve the current provision at May Place, and provide purpose built and bespoke accommodation with some 25 bedrooms in total, to include a small quantum of emergency accommodation.</p> <p>The proposal represents an excellent example of partnership</p>	<p>The alternative option would be that the property at 180 Culver Road could remain vacant and not make any contribution to the town as a public asset. The council could elect not to work in partnership with HCC or 2SH, which could compromise the delivery of a suitable and valuable form of service delivered from the site. Apart from the covenant, the council has no legal interest in the site, and an opportunity to influence the future use of the site could thus be missed. Given the opportunities represented by the site and its location, the proposed supported housing scheme is considered the best outcome</p>
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		<p>documentation, and any other supplementary legal or other agreements that may be required to facilitate the delivery of the scheme to the Executive Director of Corporate Services, in consultation with the Executive Director of Residents Services and the Head of Law and Governance.</p> <p>4. Endorse the proposed next steps and actions as set in the report, to facilitate completion of a scheme of development for supported living, subject to the grant of planning permission</p>	<p>working with a specialist in the field of supported housing, and progressive and cross cutting work across Local Authorities. The replacement of the currently obsolete and vacant building will enable its replacement with an asset that can directly contribute to the economy, and which will have wider reaching benefits associated with social wellbeing.</p>	<p>for the council, its partners and for the intended occupants who are at risk from homelessness.</p>
<b>A6</b>	Adoption of the Vision for the land to the North of the M3 at Junction 7	The comments made on the draft Vision document and proposed updates be noted and adopt the Vision for Land North of the M3 at Junction 7.	The Vision aims to set out a joined-up approach for Land North of the M3 at Junction 7 in order to provide certainty for this area for partners, residents and infrastructure providers, as well as being used in discussions around investment in the future. It identifies key issues for consideration and provides some direction on how this area could be developed in the future.	The appended Vision is intended to provide clarity to a range of partners and our communities and it is considered to be important to provide this in the context of successful place-making. The council could choose not to prepare such a document at this time and, instead, address relevant issues in the draft Local Plan Update, scheduled

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				for publication in winter 2021/22. However, this may mean that opportunities are missed, such as investment in new infrastructure, or services being provided in alternative locations which are less accessible for borough residents.
<b>A7</b>	Community and Voluntary Sector Grant Scheme: Recommendations for Funding	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To award each of the recommended programme grants as set out in Appendix 2 of the report, subject to the usual grant terms and conditions</li> <li>2. To approve the extension for a further year of all strategic grants with the exception of the Anvil Trust;</li> <li>3. To give 90 days' notice of the council's intention to reduce its grant to the Anvil Trust in accordance with the agreement between the parties dated 10 May 2017;</li> <li>4. To delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Communities, Culture and</li> </ol>	<p>To provide a one-year extension of current strategic grant funding to all existing recipients with the exception of the Anvil Trust, which is subject to a renegotiation of funding levels in 2021/22, while a complete grants review is being carried out, that will lead to new grant arrangements from 2022/23 onwards.</p> <p>The proposed awards would provide positive outcomes to a range of vulnerable residents and achieve a balanced portfolio across the five priority grant themes while supporting social and economic recovery in</p>	<p>For programme grants: to fund the full amount requested to organisations meeting the minimum score up to the £200,000 available budget limit</p> <p>For strategic grants: to review existing funding arrangements with the exception of the Anvil Trust</p>

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		<p>Partnerships, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Service Improvement and the Executive Director of Corporate Services, to determine the level of grant to be awarded in 2021/22 subject to evaluation of the Trust's revised business plan.</p> <p>5. If by the time of Cabinet meeting, the council has not gained full assurance from the Business Plan to delegate to the Executive Director of Borough Development, in consultation with the Executive Director of Corporate Services, agreement of a satisfactory business plan before allocation of further funding in 2021/22.</p>	<p>response to COVID-19. In line with the criteria, these will help to build communities where people thrive and feel they belong, and support groups to become more resilient by delivering sustainable activities that meet identified local needs.</p>	
<b>A8</b>	2020/21 Quarter 3 Capital Monitoring Report as at 31 December 2020	<p>Note:</p> <p>1) That forecast capital expenditure for 2020/21, as at the end of quarter three is £36.952M as shown in section 3 of the report. This is £7.736M less or 17.31% below the latest agreed capital programme</p>		No other options have been considered.

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		<p>budget at that point;</p> <p>2) The 2020/21 significant outturn variations and explanations for them are shown in section 4 of the report;</p> <p>3) The addition of £0.361M to the programme since the last reported position in October 2020, under Council approval and delegated powers as shown in section 3 and Appendix 1 of the report;</p> <p>4) The rephasing of £0.312M within the capital programme since the last reported position in October 2020, under delegated powers as detailed in section 3 and Appendix 1 of the report;</p> <p>5) The quarter three forecasts and impact of scheme variances for 2020/21 on future year's capital expenditure was reported to Council in February 2021;</p> <p>6) The latest forecast of capital receipts, grants and contributions for 2020/21</p>		

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		<p>in section 5 of the report;</p> <p>7) The risks associated with the capital forecasts are as detailed in section 7 of the report; and</p> <p>8) The capital programme remains fully funded up to 2023/24 based on the latest forecast of available resources.</p>		
A9	Quarter 3 Revenue Monitoring Report and Covid-19 Financial Impact Update 2020/21	<p><b>Note:</b></p> <p>1. The significant financial implications that Covid-19 is having on the council, including the current estimated cost of £5.52M in 2020/21 which has been covered so far by £5.36M of funding received or allocated from Government, as detailed in section 5 of the report;</p> <p>2. The likely ongoing financial implications of Covid-19 on the Medium-Term Financial Strategy in future years;</p>		No other options have been considered.

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		<p>3. Lobbying Government for further funding continues both directly and through other associations and societies;</p> <p>4. The 2020/21 budget has been rebased as outlined in the quarter one report and approved by Council in October 2020;</p> <p>5. A favourable forecast variance of £4.16M against the rebased budget for 2020/21. Details of the significant variances can be seen in section 6 of the report;</p> <p>6. The 2020/21 savings position is as detailed in section 7 of the report;</p> <p>7. Budget virements amounting to £3.83M were processed in quarter three, as summarised in section 8 of the report; and</p> <p>8. The ongoing risks associated with</p>		

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		<p>the revenue forecasts are as detailed in section 9 of the report.</p> <p><b>Recommend to Council to approve:</b></p> <p>9. A contribution to the Manydown Housing Reserve of £0.42M to be released in 2021/22 and future years to provide provision for further activities that maybe required in bringing the land into use at Manydown South, any activities in relation to J7 and to support activities in relation to a new Hospital provision;</p> <p>10. The transfer of £0.54M back into the MTFS Risk Reserve in 2020/21 to be utilised in 2021/22 in relation to the slippage on the Manydown Capacity funding activity as detailed in paragraphs 5.56 to 5.58 of the report;</p> <p>11. A contribution to the Climate Change Reserve of £1.00M to be</p>		

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		<p>released in 2021/22 and future years to provide further provision of funding to support the Climate Change agenda; and</p> <p>12. The creation of an Economic Recovery Fund Reserve of £1.00M to be released in 2021/22 and future years to support the Economic Recovery Framework action plan. Approval is also sought to delegate authority to the Executive Director of Borough Development, in consultation with the Executive Director of Corporate Services (S151 Officer) and the Leader of the Council (the portfolio holder) to agree the Economic Recovery Fund spending plan.</p>		
<b>A10</b>	Public Conveniences in Rural Wards	<p>Authority be delegated to the Head of Property and Assets in consultation with the Head of Law and Governance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• to transfer toilet facilities in St Mary</li> </ul>	To enable public conveniences located in rural wards to be transferred to the appropriate parish council subject to the mutual agreement with the Council or to	<p><b>Do nothing</b></p> <p>If the council chose to do nothing, the approved savings associated with the recommended option would</p>

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		<p>Bourne, Overton, Whitchurch and Kingsclere to the relevant Parish or Town Council.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>to decommission the relevant toilet facility in the event that the relevant Parish or Town Council declines the transfer.</li> </ul>	decommission such facilities if this does not happen.	<p>not be achieved.</p> <p><b>Close the public conveniences without exploring whether the service can be provided on a local basis.</b></p> <p>This option would deny the relevant parish councils the opportunity to consider the devolution of the service and the ongoing use of the buildings to meet local needs.</p>
<b>A11</b>	Additional Restrictions Grant - Business support activity	Approve the recommendations for use of the Additional Restrictions Grant on three business support programmes.	<p>To provide opportunities for funding that will help businesses move from being in survival mode through to recovery and on the path to future growth.</p> <p>It is felt that funding all three options, whilst retaining some funding should a future opportunity for regional collaboration become a possibility, offers the Council with the greatest chance to have a longer-term impact on local businesses above and beyond the impact we have already delivered</p>	Not utilise funding for business support activity and use all ARG funding for direct grants.

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			through direct grants. Importantly, the three options would offer the support that businesses are stating they are in need of, are deliverable in the near future and would not duplicate activities already taking place.	
<b>A12</b>	Updated Advertising Policy	Approve the proposed Advertising Policy as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report.	To update the advertising and sponsorship policy to reflect current organisational positioning and national standards and to develop an approval process to ensure all advertising and sponsorship enquiries are assessed and approved between the partner organisation and the council in line with the policy.	Do nothing. Update the policy in line with national standards.