



Crawley Borough Council
Notification of Decisions

To: All Councillors

The decisions of the **Cabinet** held on **10 January 2024** are attached.

The Call-In period ends at noon on the 5th day following publication, namely **noon** on the Tuesday 16 January 2024

The Call-In form is attached for your use if required. For further information please refer to the relevant sections of the [Constitution](#).

Yours faithfully

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Chief Executive

Published on 11 January 2024

Item No.	Title	Decision
6.	Crawley Borough Council Tree Planting Strategy	<p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That the Cabinet:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) approves the Crawley Borough Council Tree Planting Strategy as set out in Appendix A of report HCS/069. b) delegates authority to the Head of Community Services, in consultation with the appropriate Cabinet Member, to review and make minor amendments to the Crawley Borough Council Tree Planting Strategy as further changes to legislation and statutory guidance are introduced or following any review. <p><i>(Generic Delegation 7 will be used to enact this recommendation).</i></p> <p>Reasons for the Recommendations</p> <p>The proposed Crawley Borough Council Tree Planting Strategy (Appendix A) has been created to guide and inform the Council's decisions to deliver a coherent approach for its tree planting, clearly outlining the standards for all tree planting, young tree maintenance and woodland sustainability. It identifies a clear approach for selecting tree species, location and a process for providing tree planting on council land across the town.</p> <p>Crawley Borough Council declared a climate emergency in 2019 and the associated action plan identified the need for a sustainable tree planting strategy to help tackle the effects of climate change. This strategy fulfils the response to this requirement whilst also delivering other tangible benefits that will assist officers in taking an agreed and consistent strategic approach for future planting of council trees across the Borough.</p>

<p>8.</p>	<p>Crawley Homes Staffing Growth</p>	<p><i>Exempt Paragraphs 1& 3 Information Relating to an Individual; and Information relating to financial and business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information)</i></p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That the Cabinet:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) approves the growth, and structure for the Responsive and Planned Maintenance Teams (Appendix B of report CH/203) b) delegates authority to the Head of Crawley Homes to conduct the necessary consultation arrangements, fulfil the changes and decisions on all human resources matters, subject to the appropriate guidelines and procedures, as set out in the Constitution. <i>(Generic Delegation 11 will be used to enact this recommendation)</i> c) requests that Head of Corporate Finance to reflect the above decision within the 2024-2025 Budget and Council Tax report. <p>Reasons for the Recommendations</p> <p>A new structure for the repairs teams are proposed to reflect a change in demand arising from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Standards set by the Regulator of Social Housing and Housing Ombudsman · Our residents, including in relation to legal challenge around disrepair claims · A recognition of the age of our stock and a changing approach needed to planned maintenance <p>Appendix A of report CH/203 shows the existing structure in the Responsive Repairs and Asset Management Team.</p> <p>Appendix B demonstrates the proposed structure for the team and is recommended in order to ensure the teams have inbuilt resilience and can manage the demands being placed on them through items listed in paragraph 3.1 of report CH/203.</p> <p>In addition, and slightly separate to the to the above, it is proposed that a System Admin Support Officer is recruited on a fixed term basis to support maintenance of the Active H housing management system.</p>
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<p>9.</p>	<p>Five Year Business Plan for Tilgate Park & Nature Centre</p>	<p><i>Exempt Paragraph 3</i></p> <p><i>Information relating to financial and business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information)</i></p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That the Cabinet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) approves the Five-Year Business Plan for Tilgate Park and Nature Centre (Appendix A of HCS/068). b) approves that the current reserve together with any income over target be allocated to a Park Reserve and ring fenced to fund projects across Tilgate, the Nature Centre and other parks and open spaces. c) delegates authority to the Head of Community Services in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Leisure and Wellbeing to proceed with projects and proposals subject to budget availability and delegation limits. <p><i>(Generic Delegation 7 will be used to enact this recommendation).</i></p> <p>Reasons for the Recommendations</p> <p>A strategic approach to plan future opportunities and initiatives across the park is required to allow for inter-dependencies and prioritisation of projects.</p> <p>Previous Business Plans for Tilgate Park have demonstrated the need to maintain the core infrastructure (toilets, car park, paths and access) to enable the park to retain its position as a top visitor attraction.</p> <p>Continuing to develop the leisure facilities, Nature Centre and events will ensure regular visitors and income to the park throughout the year which enables the site to be self-financing and provide financial support for projects within the other parks and open spaces</p>
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FORM OF NOTIFICATION OF SUPPORT FOR CALL-IN

Any councillor of the Council calling in a decision must then obtain, within the five working days following the Call-In, the support of three other councillors.

In order to ensure that Call-In is not abused, nor causes unreasonable delay, the following requirements must be fully satisfied before a matter will be considered for Call-In:

- a) At least four councillors (one of which will be the named signatory) must request Call-In of the decision. Failure to obtain the support of three other councillors within this period will mean that the original decision will stand, on the sixth day, the decision will be implemented.
- b) The request for Call-In must specify the reason for the Call-In and provide evidence which demonstrates the alleged breach of at least one principle of decision making.
- c) The request for Call-In must be received by the Monitoring Officer by 12 noon on the fifth day following publication of the decision. The request for Call-In should either be submitted:
 - In hard copy: including the signatures of the councillor requesting the Call-In and those councillors supporting the Call-In.
 - Electronically: to democratic.services@ Crawley.gov.uk. The councillor requesting the Call-In must submit the form and each councillor supporting the Call-In must send an email in support. All emails must be sent from the councillors' individual Crawley Borough Council email addresses.
- d) The decision for which Call-In is requested must not have been subject to a prior Call-In request.
- e) Should the proposed Call-In decision have been considered by the Commission, the justification must also explain why the councillor requesting the Call-In is of the view that, either:
 - The Commission did **not fully** scrutinise the decision in advance of it being taken; or
 - The views of the Commission were **not fully** considered or addressed by the Cabinet in their decision making.

Decision being called in (including item no.)	Which provisions have been breached and how?

Signatories

1. Signature of councillor calling in the decision

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Name in capitals

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2. Signature of councillor supporting the Call-In

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3. Signature of councillor supporting the Call-In

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4. Signature of councillor supporting the Call-In

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