

BRIEFING PAPER FOR BEST VALUE IMPROVEMENT BOARD

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Clear Up Project Recommendations – Progress Update	Jonathan Fox Team Leader – Contracts Ex.4345		17 September 2018

1. INTRODUCTION/SUMMARY

- 1.1 This is an update report detailing the progress on the recommendations for further action arising out of the Clear Up Project.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Board is asked to note the report.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 At the last meeting, the Board received an update report advising that:
- A further 14 cases have been fully actioned leaving 11 outstanding cases.
 - 23 of 37 outstanding recommendations in respect of those 11 outstanding cases have been completed leaving 14 outstanding recommendations.
 - In respect of 5 of the outstanding cases and 8 of the outstanding recommendations, these all relate to HR and have been deferred until after the election.
- 3.2 Further progress has since been made:
- There are only 7 outstanding cases. 4 different recommendations relate to one case. See Appendix A marked in red.
 - The actions from 2 of these cases (CU 41 and CU 55) have been implemented. A final report on each of these cases will be brought to the Board in December.

- The remaining 5 outstanding cases are covered by 4 different recommendations. All 4 recommendations will be considered and actioned by the HR Policy Working Group.
- This group is now established and met for the first time on the 6 June 2018. Work is underway to address these recommendations.

4 COMMENTS OF THE CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER

- 4.1 There are no direct financial implications.

5. LEGAL COMMENTS

- 5.1 The Monitoring Officer has been monitoring the actions taken in respect of each recommendation. Where a recommendation has been implemented the Monitoring Officer has ensured that the implementation occurred lawfully and the appropriate constitutional steps were followed.
- 5.2 The Clear Up Project was included as part of the Best Value Improvement Plan agreed with the Secretary Of State following the Directions made under section 3 of the Local Government Act 1999.
- 5.3 Therefore, by implementing the recommendations detailed in the final Clear Up Report the Council is demonstrating compliance with its Best Value Duty.