

## **DECISION SESSION - COMBINED EXECUTIVE MEMBER DECISION SESSION**

**TUESDAY, 2 SEPTEMBER 2025**

### **DECISIONS**

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Combined Executive Member Decision Session held on Tuesday, 2 September 2025. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

Members are reminded that, should they wish to call in a decision, notice must be given to Democracy Services no later than 4pm on Tuesday 9 September 2025.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Democratic Services.

#### **5. FINANCIAL INCLUSION/WELFARE BENEFITS OUTTURN 2024/25 AND PROGRESS 2025/26**

Resolved:

- i. Noted and comment on the details of the report regarding providing support to residents affected by the impacts of the continuing high cost of living;
- ii. Delegated any decision-making relating to the Government's expected Crisis and Resilience Fund (details awaited) requirements to the Director of Finance (s151) in consultation with the Executive Member for Finance, Performance, Major Projects, Human Rights, Equality and Inclusion.

Reason: To ensure councillors, residents and stakeholder groups are aware of the ongoing financial inclusion activity across the city. To ensure the council reacts quickly to any new government.

## 6. PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDER CITY CENTRE CONSULTATION

Resolved:

- i. Approved the decision to consult with the public and partners on the extension of the PSPO which would ensure that the Council would have greater powers to deal with anti-social behaviour within the city walls including the following possible options the council could consider:
  - A ban on drinking alcohol in public within the area;
  - The ability to remove large groups of 3 or more people who are causing anti-social behaviour for both sites;
  - Begging, no person shall make any verbal, non-verbal or written request for money, donations or goods, including the placing of hats, clothing or containers so as to cause or is likely to cause harassment, alarm, distress, nuisance or annoyance.
  - No return within 24 hours if asked to leave. No person shall, after being requested to leave by an authorised officer due to them behaving in a manner causing or likely to cause harassment, alarm, distress, nuisance or annoyance to any person within the city Centre without reasonable excuse, remain or return to the city Centre within a period of 24 hours.
  - Loitering, no person shall loiter, sit or lay on the floor or on temporary structures in or adjacent to doorways or around pay machines (including banks, supermarkets) in a manner causing or likely to cause harassment, alarm, distress, nuisance or annoyance to any person within the city Centre.

Reason: To consult on providing the Council with greater powers to deal with anti-social behaviour within the city walls.

**7. PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDER UNION TERRACE  
AND CLARENCE GARDENS CONSULTATION**

Resolved:

- i. Approved the decision to consult with the public and partners on the extension of the PSPO which would ensure that the Council would have greater powers to deal with anti-social behaviour in these areas, including the following possible options the council could consider:
  - A ban on drinking alcohol in public within the area;
  - The ability to remove large groups of 3 or more people who are causing anti-social behaviour for the sites.

Reason: To consult on providing the Council with greater powers to deal with anti-social behaviour within the Union Terrace, Clarence Street Gardens and the Groves area.