

## Report to Cabinet

# Royton Town Hall and Library

### **Portfolio Holder:**

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### **Reason for Decision**

To advise Cabinet on the progress of the refurbishment of Royton Town Hall and Library buildings, including updates on the;

- Capital budget allocation
- Funding proposals

and seek approval for the recommendations

### **Executive Summary**

This report presents a summary of the detailed work carried out to date in bringing forward the Royton Town Hall and Library project.

### **Recommendations**

It is recommended that Cabinet note the contents of the report only, with a further, restricted report due for consideration under Part B of the agenda.

## Royton Town Hall and Library

### 1 Background

- 1.1 The Council has been considering its options for the refurbishment of Royton Town Hall and Library

### 2 Current Position

- 2.1 There is an approved allocation in the capital budget for this project.
- 2.2 An initial cost plan was prepared, based on the current design.
- 2.3 Additional work has been carried out in an attempt to firm up some of the assumed costs. Additional surveys have been carried out to better understand some elements of the building that would normally only become visible once work had commenced. Desktop work has been carried out to confirm the foundation design. Work that would normally be carried out as part of the tender phase has been brought forward to put a cost to some other elements. Use of the basement for storage has been restricted, reducing the extent of work required in that area. In short an exhaustive Value Engineering exercise has been undertaken to drive down costs as much as possible without compromising the integrity of the project.
- 2.4 The cost plan has been updated, taking into account the above mentioned factors and this now confirms the project costs.

### 3 Options/Alternatives

- 3.1 **Option 1** – Do nothing.
- 3.2 **Option 2** – Joint Venture / Private Partner.
- 3.3 **Option 3** – Increase Prudential Borrowing
- 3.4 **Option 4** – De-prioritise other Capital Projects or allocate currently uncommitted resources

### 4 Preferred Option

- 4.1 Cabinet are asked to note the contents of the report only, with a further, restricted report – detailing the full legal implications – due for consideration under Part B of the agenda.

### 5 Consultation

- 5.1 All Royton North and Royton South Members have been consulted on this scheme. All are fully supportive of the proposals to refurbish Royton Town Hall and Library.

### 6 Financial Implications

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**7 Legal Services Comments**

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**8. Co-operative Agenda**

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**9 Human Resources Comments**

9.1 None associated with this report

**10 Risk Assessments**

10.1 Cabinet are asked to note the contents of the report only, with a further, restricted report due for consideration under Part B of the agenda.

**11 IT Implications**

11.1 None at this stage.

**12 Property Implications**

12.1 Cabinet are asked to note the contents of the report only, with a further, restricted due for consideration under Part B of the agenda.

**13 Procurement Implications**

13.1 Cabinet are asked to note the contents of the report only, with a further, restricted report due for consideration under Part B of the agenda.

**14 Environmental and Health & Safety Implications**

14.1 Cabinet are asked to note the contents of the report only, with a further, restricted report due for consideration under Part B of the agenda.

**15 Equality, community cohesion and crime implications**

15.1 None at this stage

**16 Equality Impact Assessment Completed?**

16.1 No

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17     **Key Decision**

17.1   Yes

18     **Key Decision Reference**

18.1   EC-EN-04-18

19     **Background Papers**

19.1   None

20     **Appendices**

20.1   None