

minutes

Meeting POLICY COMMITTEE

Date Wednesday 11 November 2015 at 11:15 am

membership

Persons absent are marked with 'A'

COUNCILLORS

Alan Rhodes (Chairman) Joyce Bosnjak (Vice-Chairman)

John Cottee John Knight
Jim Creamer Diana Meale
Mrs Kay Cutts MBE Philip Owen

A Stephen Garner John Peck
Glynn Gilfoyle Ken Rigby

Kevin Greaves Martin Suthers OBE
Stan Heptinstall MBE Stuart Wallace
Richard Jackson Muriel Weisz

David Kirkham

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Councillor Pauline Allan
Councillor Roy Allan
Councillor Alan Bell
Councillor Nicki Brooks
Councillor Steve Carroll
Councillor Darren Langton
Councillor Nicki Brooks
Councillor Steve Calvert
Councillor Liz Plant

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Anthony May Chief Executive

Chris Kenny
David Pearson
Adult, Social Care, Health & Public Protection

Colin Pettigrew
Derek Higton
John Slater

Children, Families and Cultural Services

Tim Gregory Place

Carl Bilbey
Keith Ford
Jayne Francis-Ward
Matt Garrard
Mark Knight
Celia Morris
Matt Lockley
Catherine Munro
Nigel Stevenson
Michelle Welsh
Clare Yau

Resources

MINUTES

The Minutes of the last meeting held on 7 October 2015, having been previously circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Stephen Garner had replaced Cllr Gail Turner on the Committee but had given apologies for this meeting.

The following temporary change in membership, for this meeting only, was reported to the Committee:-

Cllr John Cottee replaced Cllr Reg Adair

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

None

DEVOLUTION DEAL

RESOLVED: 2015/057

- 1) That the progress towards a devolution deal for Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire be noted.
- That authority be delegated to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Leader of the Council to continue negotiations and to sign the devolution deal, subject to ratification of the deal by Full Council.
- 3) That a further report be brought back to Policy Committee following the expected announcement on 25th November updating Members on the position.
- 4) That a report seeking ratification of the deal is brought to Full Council as soon as possible after the necessary changes in legislation.

BUSINESS RATES POOLING 2013-15

RESOLVED: 2015/058

- 1) That the outturn for the Nottinghamshire Business Rates Pool for the years 2013/14 and 2014/15 be noted.
- 2) That the proposal supported by the City of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Economic Prosperity Committee to retain the entire Pool surplus generated in 2013/14 for use by the Combined Authority be agreed.
- 3) That the proposal supported by the City of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Economic Prosperity Committee to retain 50% of the Pool surplus generated in 2014/15 for use by the Combined Authority and to distribute the other 50% to Pool members be agreed.
- 4) That it be noted that the release of these funds was dependent upon the spending plan being agreed by the City of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Economic Prosperity Committee.
- 5) That approval of the distribution approach for future financial years be delegated to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Chair of Finance and Property Committee (including the reversion to the originally agreed distribution of pool surpluses as set out in the Pool Memorandum of Understanding if the Combined Authority is not established).
- 6) That any further proposed changes to the distribution approach be presented to future meetings of Finance and Property Committee.

QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE REPORT ON PROGRESS AGAINST THE STRATEGIC PLAN AND REDEFINING YOUR COUNCIL

RESOLVED: 2015/059

That progress against the Strategic Plan and Redefining Your Council be noted.

SMARTER WORKING PROGRAMME

RESOLVED: 2015/060

- 1) That the work undertaken to date for the Ways of Working (WoW) programme and its successor Smarter Working Programme be noted.
- 2) That further update reports be brought to Policy Committee on a six monthly basis.

BUDGET CONSULTATION 2016/17

RESOLVED: 2015/061

- 1) That the consultation timetable and approach be endorsed.
- 2) That the proposed methodology be approved.

SOCIAL MEDIA STRATEGY AND POLICY

RESOLVED: 2015/062

1) That the Council's updated Social Media Policy and associated strategy and guidance documents be approved.

2) That a report be submitted to Policy Committee in six months' time on the implementation of the new Policy.

OUTSIDE BODIES - APPOINTMENT TO MID-NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ALLIANCE DEVELOPMENT LEADERSHIP BOARD

RESOLVED: 2015/063

1) That the Mid-Nottinghamshire Alliance Development Leadership Board be added to the Outside Body appointment list.

2) That the Chair of the Adult Social Care and Health Committee and Corporate Director, Adult Social Care, Health and Public Protection be appointed as the County Council's representatives on the Board.

3) That quarterly progress reports be submitted to Policy Committee on the work of the Mid-Nottinghamshire Alliance Development Leadership Board.

WORK PROGRAMME

During discussions, Members requested regular updates on the work of East Midlands Councils, the Local Enterprise Partnership and the Economic Prosperity Committee.

RESOLVED: 2015/064

That the work programme be noted.

The meeting closed at 12.03 pm

CHAIRMAN