

## minutes

Meeting POLICY COMMITTEE

Date Wednesday 21 April 2021 (commencing at 10.30 am)

#### membership

Persons absent are marked with 'A'

#### **COUNCILLORS**

Mrs Kay Cutts MBE (Chairman) Reg Adair (Vice-Chairman)

Chris Barnfather Bruce Laughton Richard Butler Rachel Madden - A John Cottee David Martin - A Kate Foale Philip Owen Stephen Garner John Peck JP Glynn Gilfoyle Mike Pringle Tony Harper Alan Rhodes Richard Jackson - A Muriel Weisz

John Knight

## **SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS**

Councillor Roger Jackson substituted for Councillor Richard Jackson.

## **OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Anthony May Chief Executive's Department Marjorie Toward

Marjorie Toward Nigel Stevenson Kaj Ghattaora Angie Dilley James Silverward

Jo Toomey

Colin Pettigrew Children & Families Department

Neil Gamble Place Department

Matthew Neal

## 1 MINUTES

The Minutes of the last meeting held on 17 March 2021, having been previously circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

## 2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Richard Jackson (other County Council business) was substituted by Councillor Roger Jackson.

Apologies for absence were also received from:

- Councillor Rachel Madden (other reasons)
- Councillor David Martin (other reasons)

#### 3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS.

No interests were disclosed.

# 4 NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL APPROACH TO THE PREVENTION OF MODERN SLAVERY

During discussion, reference was made to the County Council's role as a leader and influencer in fashioning a culture that challenged modern slavery and creating an environment where it could not persist, either as part of the Council's supply chain or within the broader community. To support this, there was consensus amongst Members that it was an appropriate time to refresh the Council's communications approach by producing an updated campaign to raise public awareness.

## **RESOLVED: 2021/034**

That the Policy Committee:

- 1) Recognised work undertaken on the Council's good practice on modern slavery and contract management.
- 2) Supported the actions outlined in the report to develop a consistent approach to assurance against the Council's modern slavery values.
- 3) Agreed to refresh the communications approach and run a new campaign to raise public awareness about modern slavery.

## 5 THE UK COMMUNITY RENEWAL AND LEVELLING UP FUNDS

#### **RESOLVED: 2021/034**

That the Policy Committee agreed that:

- 1) The Council undertakes the UK Community Renewal Fund lead council role as set out by Government.
- 2) Council officers work with appropriate partners to prepare and accept potential projects for the UK Community Renewal Fund for inclusion within a bid to Government, for consideration at the next Policy Committee meeting.

- 3) Should the UK Community Renewal Fund bid to Government be successful, the Council receives and distributes funding in accordance with Government guidance.
- 4) Council officers work with Tier 1 District Council colleagues to develop and seek support for any appropriate potential Levelling Up Fund transport and highways bids, for consideration at the next Policy Committee meeting.

## 6 OPERATIONAL DECISIONS – QUARTERLY UPDATE REPORT (DECEMBER 2020 TO FEBRUARY 2021)

**RESOLVED: 2021/035** 

That Members had been updated on the Operational Decisions taken between December 2020 to February 2021.

## 7 WORK PROGRAMME

**RESOLVED: 2021/036** 

That the work programme be updated as appropriate.

The meeting closed at 11.25 am.

**CHAIRMAN**