

Meeting POLICY COMMITTEE

Date Wednesday 15 July 2015 at 10:30am

**membership**

Persons absent are marked with 'A'

**COUNCILLORS**

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

Reg Adair  
Jim Creamer  
Mrs Kay Cutts MBE  
Glynn Gilfoyle  
Kevin Greaves  
Stan Heptinstall MBE  
Richard Jackson  
David Kirkham  
John Knight

Diana Meale  
Phillip Owen  
Kate Foale  
Ken Rigby  
Martin Suthers OBE  
Gail Turner  
Stuart Wallace  
Muriel Weisz

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

Councillor Roy Allan  
Councillor Pauline Allan  
Councillor Alan Bell  
Councillor Nikki Brooks  
Councillor Steve Calvert

Councillor Steve Carrol  
Councillor Sheila Place  
Councillor Liz Plant  
Councillor Yvonne Woodhead

**OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Anthony May Chief Executive

David Pearson Adult Social Care and Health

Carl Bilbey  
Martin Done  
Keith Ford  
Jayne Francis-Ward  
Sally Gill  
Catherine Munro

} Policy, Planning & Corporate Services

Tim Gregory  
Clare Winter

} Resources

## **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the last meeting held on 17 June 2015, having been previously circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

## **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence had been received from Cllr Ken Rigby

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

- Cllr Kate Foale replaces Cllr John Peck.

## **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS**

The following officers, declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in agenda item 5 – Review of Senior Management Structure, as officers at Group Manager level or above who were therefore directly affected by the proposals, and left the meeting prior to consideration of that item:-

- Martin Done
- Jayne Francis-Ward
- Sally Gill
- Tim Gregory
- David Pearson
- Clare Winter

## **REDEFINING YOUR COUNCIL – A REVIEW**

### **RESOLVED: 2015/037**

- 1) That the approach set out in the report be endorsed in light of the emerging financial and policy environment.
- 2) That the addition of two new programmes, Economic Development and Combined Authority and Community Empowerment and Resilience, be approved.
- 3) That the new governance and performance management arrangements as detailed in the report be approved.
- 4) That a series of further reports be submitted as and when the situation becomes clearer about the Comprehensive Spending Review, the Care Act and/or other significant external drivers of change, to enable an ongoing dialogue in respect of the future shape and service offer of the Council, and to inform the next Strategic Plan in 2017.

## **REVIEW OF SENIOR MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE**

Martin Done, Jayne Francis-Ward, Sally Gill, Tim Gregory, David Pearson and Clare Winter declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in this item and left the meeting for the duration of this item.

**RESOLVED: 2015/038**

- 1) That the proposed interim senior management structure for the Council, as set out in Appendix A to the report, be agreed with effect from 1 September 2015.
- 2) That a further report be brought back to Policy Committee in 12 months' time.

**BUSINESS BROADBAND CONNECTION VOUCHER SCHEME EXTENDED COUNTYWIDE****RESOLVED: 2015/039**

That the content of this report be noted and elected members be supported and encouraged to inform their local businesses about the countywide Business Broadband Connection Voucher Scheme.

**PROCUREMENT STRATEGY 2015-18****RESOLVED: 2015/040**

That the proposed Procurement Strategy 2015-18 be approved.

**RURAL SERVICES NETWORK – REVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP****RESOLVED: 2015/041**

- 1) That the County Council renew its membership of the Rural Services Network special interest group.
- 2) That the Team Manager, Democratic Services (after consultation with the Business manager of the Labour Group) nominate the County Council's representative on the network for 2015/16.
- 3) That membership be reviewed again after a further twelve months.

**COUNTY LIFE – EVALUATION REPORT****RESOLVED: 2015/042**

That evaluation of the County Life publication be continued with annual reports brought to Policy Committee.

**APPOINTMENT TO OUTSIDE BODIES**

Concern was expressed by opposition members about how nominations to outside bodies had been arrived at in this instance. A written amendment was circulated by Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE and following a discussion on the amendment the meeting was adjourned at 11.55 am.

The meeting reconvened at 12.02 pm and unanimous agreement was reached.

**RESOLVED: 2015/043**

- 1) That the following Boards be added to the Council's Outside Bodies appointment list (with the named Members being the Council's initial appointees to these bodies):-
  - a. Bingham and Radcliffe on Trent Local Growth Board – Councillor Martin Suthers OBE.
  - b. West Bridgford Local Growth Board –Councillor Steve Calvert
- 2) That the relevant Business Managers meet with officers to discuss the appointments to Rushcliffe Borough Council Strategic Growth Board and Cotgrave Local Growth Board and a further report be brought to September's Committee on these appointments.

### **WORK PROGRAMME**

During discussions, members requested an update on the Combined Authority and the first of the quarterly progress reports on the Redefining Your Council projects and programmes be added to the work programme for September 2015.

### **RESOLVED: 2015/044**

That the work programme be updated as discussed.

The meeting closed at 12.08 pm.

CHAIRMAN