

EAST DORSET DISTRICT COUNCIL

RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting held on 26 November 2014 at 9.30 am

Present:-

Cllr I J Monks – Chairman

Cllr P G Bennett – Vice-Chairman

Present: Cllr Mrs L J Clark, Cllr Mrs J Dover, Cllr M R Dyer, Cllr Mrs G S Elliot,
Cllr S G Flower, Cllr Mrs B T Manuel, Cllr D Morgan,
Cllr D G L Packer and Cllr G W Russell

Also in attendance: Cllr S Butler

Apologies: Cllr S S Tong

251. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest made on this occasion.

252. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on 24 September 2014 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

253. Presentations by the Public

There were no questions, petitions or deputations received on this occasion.

254. Grounds Maintenance

The Community and Open Spaces Manager submitted a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'A' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

The Committee was asked to consider the allocation of capital expenditure for the provision of grounds maintenance services in East Dorset.

RESOLVED that the capital sum of £354,000 be invested to facilitate the in-house delivery of Grounds Maintenance operations in East Dorset.

Voting: Unanimous

255. Capital and Revenue Budget Monitoring Quarter Two 2014/15

The Group Accountant submitted a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'B' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Members were provided with a update regarding the 2014/15 budget position for East Dorset. The Committee was advised that since the publication of the agenda, the Council had received notice that the potential overspend on Dorset Waste Partnership was greater than predicted, and the potential variance falling upon East Dorset was predicted to £143,000

and not £81,000 as referred to in paragraph 3.4(c) of the submitted report, and the small surplus of £3,000 referenced in paragraph 3.1 was now predicted to be a deficit of £60,000.

RESOLVED that the content of the report be noted.

Voting: Unanimous

256. Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) Update

The Group Accountant submitted a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'C' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Members were updated on the 2015/16 budget and the Medium Term Financial Strategy.

RESOLVED that the content of the report be noted.

Voting: Unanimous

257. Dorset Waste Partnership Draft Budget 2015/16

The Financial Services Manager submitted a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'D' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Before the report was presented the, the Chairman of the Committee advised Members that the draft budget for the Dorset Waste Partnership was inaccurate and a revised version was to be prepared. The Committee was advised that the Chief Executive had been requested to request the Dorset Waste Partnership budget on the Dorset Chief Executives and Leaders' meeting on 16 December, 2014 for consideration.

RESOLVED that the Dorset Waste Partnership budget for 2015/16 be deferred for consideration at the meeting of the Resources Committee scheduled for 14 January 2015.

Voting: Unanimous

258. Provision of a Customer Contact Centre Service for the Stour Valley and Poole Partnership

The Stour Valley and Poole Partnership Performance and Training Manager submitted a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'E' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Members were requested to consider the adoption of the recommendations of the Stour Valley and Poole Partnership Joint Committee regarding the provision of Contact Centre Services for the Partnership.

RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Stour Valley and Poole Partnership Joint Committee held on 23 September 2014, as set out in the submitted, be adopted, and the establishment of a Customer Contact Access Team with effect from 1 April 2015 for the Partnership, through the Poole Customer Services Centre, be agreed.

Voting: 9:0 (1 abstention)

259. Review of the Treasury Management Policy

The Financial Services Manager submitted a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'F' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Members were advised of the necessary amendments required to the Treasury Management Policy.

RECOMMENDED that, subject to reference to Audit and Scrutiny Committee be amended to read Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee, the revised Treasury Management Policy, as submitted, be approved.

Voting: 9:0 (1 abstention)

260. Land Drainage Works at Camel Green Road, Alderholt

The Head of Property and Engineering submitted a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'G' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

The report sought agreement to making a contribution towards the cost of works to improve land drainage in Camel Green Road, Alderholt.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) **the principle of contributing up to £35,343 towards the cost of land drainage improvements in Camel Green Road, Alderholt, be agreed;**
- (b) **authority to agree the detail of the engineering works funded by the council be delegated to the Head of Property and Engineering in consultation with the Chairman of the Resources Committee.**

Voting: 9:0 (1 abstention)

261. Committee Forward Plan

The Democratic Services and Elections Manager submitted a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'H' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

The report advised Members of the work programme for the Resources Committee for 2014/15. Members were advised that the Dorset Waste Partnership budget for 2015/16 would be considered by the Committee at the meeting scheduled for 14 January 2015.

RESOLVED that the Forward Plan be received and noted.

Voting: Unanimous

The meeting ended at 10.35 am

CHAIRMAN