WEYMOUTH & PORTLAND BOROUGH COUNCIL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2017

Present: Cllrs J Cant (Chair), F Drake, J Farquharson, C James, R Nowak, A Reed, G Taylor and K Wheller

Apologies: Cllrs R Kosior and C Huckle

Also present: Cllr A Blackwood, Cllr I Bruce, Cllr M Byatt and Cllr O Kanji

Officers present (for all or part of the meeting):

Kate Critchel (Democratic Services Officer), Stephen Hill (Strategic Director), Greg Northcote (Estates Manager), Matt Prosser (Chief Executive) and Julie Strange (Head of Financial Services)

64. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Huckle and Kosior.

65. Code of Conduct

There were no declarations of interest to report.

66. **Public Participation**

Mr Farn addressed the committee and expressed concerns that the matter of North Quay was being considered by members as an exempt item. North Quay was an asset for the whole of the community and transparency was essential. He further queried the current position regarding other properties within the town, including the Clipper, the Guildhall and Maiden Street Church.

In response the Chief Executive advised that these properties were privately owned and outside of the authority's control.

67. Questions by Councillors

There were no questions from Councillors to report.

68. Exempt Business

It was proposed by Cllr J Cant seconded by Cllr J Farquharson

Decision

That under Section 100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the business specified in the minutes below, because it is likely that there would be a disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 and 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act and the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing that information.

69. North Quay - Confidential Update

The committee considered a report regarding an update on the sale of North Quay.

Decision

- (a) That officers carry out the committee's instruction regarding North Quay.
- (b) That a further confidential report or presentation be made to members of the committee on 19 September 2017.

Duration of meeting: 5.00 - 6.15 pm

Chairman

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