Minutes of the meeting of **The Executive** held on **4 November 2021** when there were present:-

Chairman: Cllr S E Wootton Vice Chairman: Cllr Mrs C E Roe

Cllr D S Efde Cllr S P Smith Cllr D J Sperring Cllr I H Ward Cllr A L Williams

# **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr M J Webb.

### **OFFICERS PRESENT**

#### 173 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 7 October 2021 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

## 174 QUARTER 2 2021/22 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT REPORT

The Executive considered the report of the Assistant Director, Resources providing an update on the Quarter 2 2021/22 revenue budget and capital position.

In response to a Member question as to why Planning income had dropped during this quarter, officers advised that this tended to be cyclical in nature. More income was generated by major planning applications and these had reduced given that the Council was coming towards the end of the current Local Plan; as the new Local Plan came forward there would inevitably be a rise in new applications coming forward.

Thanks were extended to the Assistant Director, Resources and the Finance team and the Portfolio Holder for Financial Services for the strict control of the Council's finances.

#### Resolved

That the Quarter 2 2021/22 revenue budget and capital position set out in sections 3 and 4 of the report and detailed in appendices 1 to 5 of the report be noted. (ADR)

#### 175 LEISURE CONTRACT OPERATIONAL UPDATE

The Executive considered the report of the Assistant Director, Assets & Commercial providing an operational update on the Council's leisure contract with Fusion Lifestyle.

The Leader emphasised that it had been difficult during the pandemic to maintain leisure provision. He was proud of the real investment that was going into the district's leisure facilities; the Council would be more than recompensed for the support it had given to Fusion during the pandemic.

#### Resolved

That the operational update on the Council's leisure contract with Fusion Lifestyle be noted. (ADAC)

### 176 CONTRACT MONITORING 2020/21

The Executive considered the report of the Assistant Director, Legal & Democratic outlining the process and outcomes of contract monitoring for the Council's most significant contracts in 2020/21 in terms of contract value and risk.

The Portfolio Holder for Financial Services emphasised that there was a high level of strategic overview of contract management at the Council.

#### Resolved

(1) That the contents of the report be noted.

(2) That the process and outcomes of contract monitoring be noted for the Council's most significant contracts in terms of contract value and risk. The requirement for this report was set out in Section 22 of the Council's Contract Procedure Rules and followed recommendations from External Audit. (ADLD)

## **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

#### Resolved

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the remaining business on the grounds that exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 would be disclosed.

# 177 WASTE COLLECTION AND STREET CLEANSING CONTRACT

The Executive considered the exempt report of the Assistant Director, Place & Environment providing an update on the waste collection and street cleansing contracts.

Details on the discussion is set out in the exempt appendix to the Minutes.

The meeting closed at 8.16 pm.

Chairman .....

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