NORTH WARWICKSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE RESOURCES BOARD

13 March 2023

Present: Councillor Symonds in the Chair

Councillors Bell, D Clews, T Clews, Davey, Dirveiks, Hancocks, D Humphreys, Morson and M Parker

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Chambers and Simpson

47 Disclosable Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

None were declared at the meeting.

48 Minutes of the Resources Board held on 30 January 2023

The minutes of the Resources Board held on 30 January 2023, copies having been previously circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

49 Treasury Management Strategy Statement, Minimum R24venue Provision Policy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy for 2023/4

The Corporate Director – Resources outlined the Treasury Management Strategy, Minimum Revenue Provision Policy Statement and Investment Strategy for 2023/24.

Recommended:

- a That the clauses, set out in paragraph 3.5 of the report of the Corporate Director Resources, be adopted; and
- b That the proposed strategies for 2023/24 be approved.

50 Internal Audit Plan 2022/23 and Counter Fraud Activity

The Corporate Director – Resources set out the proposed Internal Audit Plan for 2023/24 and updated the Board on the work of the Counter Fraud Officer.

Resolved:

That the Internal Audit Plan, attached as Appendix A to the report of the Corporate Director -Resources, be approved and the work of the Counter Fraud Officer be noted.

51 Website Upgrade

The Chief Executive provided Members with an update regarding the Council's website and sought approval from Members to hosting the website externally and a supplementary estimate for the growth of revenue.

Resolved:

a That the website be hosted externally; and

Recommendation to Executive Board:

b That the revenue growth be approved.

52 Exclusion of the Public and Press

Resolved:

That under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business, on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined by Schedule 12A to the Act.

53 Irrecoverable Debts

The Corporate Director – Resources provided Members with details of debts which were considered to be irrecoverable.

Resolved:

That the debts detailed in Appendix A to the report of the Corporate Director – Resources, as set out below, be approved for write off:

- a Total Irrecoverable Housing Overpayment Debts £17,731.33;
- b Total Irrecoverable Non-Domestic Rates Debts totalling £243,232.34; and
- c Total Irrecoverable Council Tax Debts totalling £15,908.91.

54 Sundry Debtor Irrecoverable Debts

The Corporate Director – Resources advised Members of debts which were considered to be irrecoverable.

Resolved:

That the debts totalling £5,852.91, as detailed in paragraph 4.4 of the report of the Corporate Director – Resources, be written off.

Councillor C Symonds Chair