NORTH WARWICKSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

20 July 2022

Present: Councillor D Wright in the Chair

Councillors Bell, D Clews, Gosling, Hayfield, D Humphreys, Morson, H Phillips, Reilly, Simpson and Symonds.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Chambers and Jenns (Substitute Councillor D Clews).

Councillor T Clews was also in attendance.

9 Declarations of Personal or Prejudicial Interest

None were declared at the meeting.

10 Minutes of the Executive Board held on 13 June 2022

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 13 June 2022, copies having been circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

11 Annual Governance Statement

The Corporate Director – Resources sought approval for the Annual Governance Statement for 2021/22, which set out the arrangements the Council had put in place for the governance of its affairs and facilitating the effective exercise of its functions, including arrangements for the management of risk.

Recommended:

That the Annual Governance Statement for 2021/22, attached as Appendix A to the report of the Corporate Director – Resources, be approved.

12 Levelling Up and Devolution

The Chief Executive updated Members on recent developments with regard to the Levelling Up and Devolution agendas.

Resolved:

a That the report be noted;

- b That the approach to Levelling Up and Devolution be approved;
- c That the proposed Levelling Up Fund application be noted, that delegated powers be given to the Chief Executive to finalise and submit the bid, and that £400,000 of the £3m capital allocation agreed for the Atherstone Activity Hub in 2023/24 be brought forward into the 2022/23 budget to progress the design of the scheme; and
- d That the approach to the UK Shared Prosperity Fund be agreed and delegated powers be given to the Chief Executive to finalise and submit the bid.

13 Budgetary Control Report 2022/23 Period Ended 30 June 2022

The Corporate Director – Resources reported on the revenue expenditure and income for the period from 1 April 2022 to 30 June 2022. The 2022/23 budget and the actual position for the period, compared with the estimate at that date were given, together with an estimate of the out-turn position for services reporting to this Board.

Recommended:

That the report be noted.

14 Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review: Preferred Options Consultation

The Chief Executive reported that Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council (N&BBC) had published a consultation on Preferred Options 2024 – 2039 for a review of their Local Plan and comments were to be submitted by 22 July 2022.

Resolved:

That the responses set out in the report of the Chief Executive and in Appendix A be supported, and sent on to Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council, as the Council's response to the consultation.

15 North Warwickshire Area - |Warwickshire Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan

The Chief Executive brought to the attention of Members a consultation on the Warwickshire Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (Part 1) and more specifically the Part 2 – Network plan for North Warwickshire.

Resolved:

a That the Warwickshire Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan, including Part 2 – Network Plan for North Warwickshire be supported; and

- b That the report, minutes and Member comments received be forwarded as the Borough Council's response to the consultation, together with any additional comments following a presentation to the Planning and Development Board, with delegated power given to the Chief Executive to finalise the consultation response.
- 16 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.

17 Senior Management Recruitment Process

The Chief Executive put forward a proposal regarding a permanent arrangement for the recruitment of senior management positions which require Member input.

Resolved:

That the recommendations, as set out in the report of the Chief Executive, be approved.

18 Confidential Extract of the Minutes of the Executive Board held on 13 June 2022

The confidential extract of the minutes of the Executive Board held on 13 June 2022, copies having been previously circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

David Wright CHAIRMAN