

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
NORTH WARWICKSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNCIL  
HOUSE, SOUTH STREET, ATHERSTONE ON  
WEDNESDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2015**

Present: Councillor Sweet in the Chair.

Councillors Barber, Butcher, L Dirveiks, N Dirveiks, Ferro, Forwood, Fowler, Fox, Hayfield, Holland, Humphreys, Johnston, Lea, Lewis, May, Moore, B Moss, M Moss, Payne, Phillips, Pickard, Sherratt, Simpson, Smith, A Stanley, M Stanley, Y Stanley, Watkins and Winter.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Davis, Freer and Turley.

Before the commencement of business Councillor John Moore, led the Council in Prayer.

**34 Disclosable Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests**

None were declared at the meeting.

**35 Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 10 December 2014 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

**36 Mayor's Announcements**

The Mayor was pleased to report that Zoe's Place, one of his nominated charities, was now offering care 24/7.

**37 Questions Pursuant to Standing Order No. 7**

There were no questions received pursuant to Standing Order No 7.

**38 Minutes of Boards/Committees**

**a) Area Forum (South) – 2 December 2014**

It was proposed by Councillor Sherratt, seconded by Councillor Ferro and

**Resolved:**

**That the notes of the meeting of Area Forum (South) held on 2 December 2014 be approved and adopted.**

**b) Area Forum (East) – 11 December 2014**

It was proposed by Councillor L Dirveiks, seconded by Councillor N Dirveiks and

**Resolved:**

**That the notes of the meeting of Area Forum (East) held on 11 December 2014 be approved and adopted.**

c) **Planning and Development Board** – 15 December 2014, 12 January and 9 February 2015

It was proposed by Councillor Butcher, seconded by Councillor Winter and

**Resolved:**

**That the minutes of the meetings of the Planning and Development Board held on 15 December 2014, 12 January and 9 February 2015, together with the recommendation contained therein, be approved and adopted.**

d) **Community and Environment Board** – 19 January 2015

It was proposed by Councillor Phillips, seconded by Councillor Winter and

**Resolved:**

**That the minutes of the meeting of the Community and Environment Board held on 19 January 2015, together with the recommendations contained therein, be approved and adopted.**

e) **Area Forum (West)** – 20 January and 12 February 2015

It was proposed by Councillor M Moss, seconded by Councillor M Moss and

**Resolved:**

**That the notes of the meetings of Area Forum (West) held on 20 January and 12 February 2015 be approved and adopted.**

f) **Licensing Committee** – 26 January 2015

It was proposed by Councillor Ferro, seconded by Councillor Lewis and

**Resolved:**

**That the minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Committee held on 26 January 2015, together with the recommendations contained therein, be approved and adopted.**

**g) Resources Board – 26 January 2015**

It was proposed by Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Winter and

**Resolved:**

**That the minutes of the meeting of Resources Board held on 26 January 2015, together with the recommendations contained therein, be approved and adopted.**

**h) Area Forum (North) – 5 February 2015**

It was proposed by Councillor Butcher, seconded by Councillor Winter and

**Resolved:**

**That the notes of the meeting of Area Forum (North) held on 5 February 2015 be approved and adopted.**

**i) Executive Board – 10 February 2015**

In moving the minutes for the meeting Councillor M Stanley, seconded by Councillor Moore, gave notice of his alteration of the motion comprising Minute No 64 - General Fund Revenue Estimates 2015 – 2016 and Setting the Council Tax 2015 – 2016 to include for the provision of a one-off growth item of £50,000 for broadband to be set aside in an earmarked reserve for 2015/16.

The minutes as altered were received.

**(1) Minute No 57 - External Audit Plan 2014/15**

It was proposed by Councillor Simpson, seconded by Councillor May by way of amendment

**“b That the de minimis reporting level be maintained at £15,000.”**

**Upon being put to the meeting the Mayor declared that the amendment to be lost.**

**(2) Minute No 64 - General Fund Revenue Estimates 2015 – 2016 and Setting the Council Tax 2015 – 2016**

It was proposed by Councillor M Stanley, seconded by Councillor Moore

**“a That provision for a one-off growth item of £50,000 for broadband is set aside in an earmarked reserve for 2015/16;**

- b That the savings of £685,380 be approved (Appendix D);**
- c That the revised revenue estimate for 2014/15 and the revenue estimate for 2015/16 be approved (Appendix E);**
- d That the preferred Council Tax option for 2015/16 be a 0% increase on Band D;**
- e That the Deputy Chief Executive's comments on the minimum acceptable level of general reserves be noted (Appendix F);**
- f That the manpower estimate for the year 2015/16 be approved (Appendix G)."**

**Upon being put to the meeting the Mayor declared the motion as altered at i) above to be approved.**

In accordance with Standing Order No11(3) the recorded vote was as follows

**For** – Councillors Butcher, L Dirveiks, N Dirveiks, Ferro, Forwood, Fox, Lewis, Moore, B Moss, M Moss, Phillips, Pickard, A Stanley, M Stanley, Y Stanley, Sweet and Winter (17)

**Against** – Councillors Barber, Fowler, Hayfield, Holland, Humphreys, Johnston, Lea, May, Payne, Sherratt, Simpson, Smith and Watkins (13)

It was then proposed by Councillor M Stanley, seconded by Councillor Phillips and

**Resolved:**

**That the minutes of the meetings of Executive Board held on 10 February 2015, together with the recommendations contained therein as amended and agreed at (2) above and as set out in Appendix 1 hereto, be approved and adopted.**

**j) Scrutiny Board – 16 February 2015**

It was proposed by Councillor Pickard, seconded by Councillor Lewis and

**Resolved:**

**That the minutes of the meeting of the Scrutiny Board held on 16 February 2015, together with the recommendations contained therein, be approved and adopted.**

**39 Notice of Motion under Standing Order No. 10**

There were no Notices of Motion received under Standing Order No. 10.

40 **The Common Seal**

It was proposed by Councillor Sweet, seconded by Councillor Winter and

**Resolved:**

**That the Chief Executive be authorised to affix the Common Seal to any document as necessary to give effect to the decisions of the Council, in accordance with Article 13.05 of the Articles of the Constitution.**

**Chairman of the next ensuing meeting of the Council**