NORTH WARWICKSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

17 March 2025

Present: Councillor D Wright in the Chair

Councillors Barnett, Bell, Jenns, H Phillips, Reilly, Ridley, Ririe, Simpson, Symonds, and Whapples

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Clews (Substitute Councillor Jenns)

Councillors Davey, Humphries, Melia, Osborne and Stuart were also in attendance.

66 Declarations of Personal or Prejudicial Interest

None were declared at the meeting.

67 Minutes of the Executive Board held on 10 February 2025

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 10 February 2025, copies having been circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

68 Local Development Scheme (LDS) February 2025

The Chief Executive sought approval for a revised up to date Local Development Scheme.

Resolved:

That the Local Development Scheme be approved.

69 Contract Standing Orders

The Head of Corporate Services sought approval for the revised Contract Standing Order (CSOs).

Recommended:

That the updated Contract Standing Orders, attached at Appendix 1 to the report of the Head of Corporate Services, be approved.

70 Pay Policy Statement 2025/26

The Interim Corporate Director – Resources (Section 151 Officer) sought adoption of the Pay Policy Statement 2025/26. It was a requirement under Section 38 of the Localism Act 2011 for Councils to have and to publish a Pay Policy Statement, agreed by full Council, which was subject to review at least annually. The report detailed the purpose for and the areas to be covered in the Pay Policy Statement.

Recommended:

That the Pay Policy Statement 2025/26 be adopted.

71 Corporate Plan Performance Update

The Chief Executive asked the Board to note the Corporate Plan Performance Update and identify any areas where further information was required.

Resolved:

That the Corporate Plan Performance Update be noted.

72 Corporate Plan 2023-27: Annual refresh 2025

The Chief Executive recommended to the Board the 2025 annual refresh of the Council's 2023-27 Corporate Plan.

Recommended:

- a That the main issues set out in the Appendix to the report of the Chief Executive be agreed as the basis for the 2025 Corporate Plan Annual refresh; and
- b That the Chief Executive be given delegated authority to finalise the format of the Plan.

73 English Devolution and Local Government Reorganisation

The Chief Executive asked Members to recommend, for Council's approval, the Interim Plan regarding unitary local government.

Recommended:

- a That the Interim Plan be agreed; and
- b That the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, be given delegated powers to make any necessary amendments to the Interim Plan ahead of submission to Government.

74 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.

75 **Performance Management**

The Head of Corporate Services provided Members with an update to the Power BI dashboard.

Resolved:

That the recommendations set out in the report of the Head of Corporate Services be agreed.

76 Housing Development

The Management Team and the Director of Housing sought agreement to progressing with a housing development.

Resolved:

That the recommendations set out in the report of the Management Team and the Director of Housing be agreed.

77 Amendment to Agreement

The Interim Corporate Director – Resources and Section 151 Officer sought a review of a current agreement.

Resolved:

That recommendation (a) set out in the report of the Interim Corporate Director – Resources and Section 151 Officer be agreed; and

Recommended:

That Full Council accepts the recommendation of Executive Board as set out in the report of the Interim Corporate Director – Resources and Section 151 Officer.

78 Exempt extract of the Minutes of the meeting of the Executive Board held on 10 February 2025.

The exempt extract of the Minutes of the meeting of the Executive Board held on 10 February 2025, copies having been previously circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

D Wright CHAIRMAN