NORTH WARWICKSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT BOARD

14 March 2016

Councillors Bell, Chambers, Clews, Ferro, Hanratty, Hayfield, Ingram, Jones, Lewis, Phillips, Smith, Smitten and M Stanley.

Prior to the commencement of the Board, the Community Development (Health Improvement) Officer gave a presentation on Dementia Friends. A social action movement, run by the Alzheimer's Society that aimed to improve society's understanding of dementia.

36 Disclosable Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

None were declared at the meeting.

37 Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on 18 January 2016.

The minutes of the meeting held on 18 January 2016, copies having been previously circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

38 Health Improvement Activity Update – Leisure and Community Development

The Assistant Director (Leisure and Community Development) provided an update on the progress being made in respect of the actions identified in the approved three-year Health Improvement Action Plan.

Resolved:

- a That the progress being made in respect of the delivery of commitments identified in the current Health Improvement Action Plan, be noted;
- b That the draft Terms of Reference for the new Health and Well-being Working Party, be agreed; and

Recommendation to Executive Board:

c That the membership of the Health and Well-being Working Party as identified in the draft Terms of Reference be agreed and referred to Executive Board for endorsement.

39 Financial Inclusion and Customer Access Update

Members were provided with an update on the Financial Inclusion and Customer Access activity undertaken by the Council and some of its partners in the last twelve months. The wide ranging activity undertaken in assisting residents of the Borough was highlighted.

Resolved:

That the report be noted.

40 North Warwickshire Green Space Strategy Progress Report

The Assistant Director (Leisure and Community Development) reported on progress in respect of delivery against the priorities set out in the North Warwickshire Green Space Strategy 2008 and presented the supporting Action Plan for Year 9 of the Strategy for approval.

Resolved:

- That progress in respect of the implementation of the provisions of Year 8 of the North Warwickshire Green Space Strategy be noted and that the Action Plan for Year 9 be approved; and
- b That £1,937 of Section 106 funding, earmarked for green space enhancements in Atherstone, be allocated for improvements to Meadow Street Gardens.

41 Financial Assistance to Outside Organisations

The Assistant Director (Leisure and Community Development) detailed three requests for assistance through the provision of an annual grant; from North Warwickshire Citizens Advice Bureau (NW CAB), from Live and Local for support towards its countywide Key Client Agreement and from the North Warwickshire Allotments Federation. It was noted that future funding for Third Sector Infrastructure Support would be considered when the County Council awarded its contract for services as detailed in the report of the Assistant Director (Leisure and Community Development).

Resolved:

a That the draft Service Level Agreement with NW CAB be used as the basis for further negotiation and the proposed financial award for 2016/17 be approved and administered as indicated in the report, including the provision for the second instalment to be made subject to the prior agreement of the Chairman and Vice-chairman of the Board;

- b That the work undertaken by Live and Local in assisting local promoters to deliver professional arts and performances in local venues be noted and the proposed grant award towards the countywide Key Client Agreement, be approved;
- That the work undertaken by the North Warwickshire Allotment Federation be noted and that subject to the successful conclusion of negotiations in respect of the appended draft Service Level Agreement the proposed annual grant award, be approved; and
- d That a report on potential future support for the third sector be brought to a future meeting of the Board.

42 **LEADER – Programme Update**

The Board was updated on the progress made to date in respect of the North Warwickshire and Hinckley and Bosworth LEADER programme (2015 to 2020).

Resolved:

- a That the progress made to date with the co-ordination of the North Warwickshire and Hinckley and Bosworth LEADER programme (2015 to 2020), be acknowledged; and
- b That the proposed development of the programme over the next 12 months, be noted.

43 Replacement of Missing and Damaged Wheeled Bins

The Assistant Director (Streetscape) detailed the number and types of bin replacements and repairs carried out in the last calendar year and the resultant costs and proposed that a charge was introduced for replacement wheeled bins to offset the supply and delivery costs incurred.

Resolved:

That the contents of the report be noted.

44 APSE Benchmarking Performance Reports

The Assistant Director (Streetscape) summarised the Council's performance in the areas of street cleaning and refuse and recycling as measured by APSE when benchmarked against other local authorities nationally and in relation to relevant family groups.

Resolved:

a That the contents of the report be noted;

- b That the achievement of the Refuse and Recycling service in being chosen as finalist in their category at this year's APSE Performance Awards be recognised; and
- c That when the results of the more recent surveys relating to Parks and Open Spaces and Transport are known, a further report be brought to the Board.
- 45 Progress Report on Achievement of Corporate Plan and Performance Indicator Targets April December 2015

Members were informed of progress with the achievement of the Corporate Plan and Performance Indicator targets relevant to the Board for April to December 2015.

Resolved:

That the report be noted.

Les Smith Chairman