



## **MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE HELD ON 8th OCTOBER 2020**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Dr S Peale (Chair), Councillors R Bilcliff, S Goodall, M Oates and S Peale

The following officers were present: Anica Goodwin (Executive Director Organisation), Tracey Pointon (Legal Admin & Democratic Services Manager) and Jo Hutchison (Democratic Services, Scrutiny and Elections Officer)

Apologies received from: Councillor(s) T Jay, P Standen, M Summers and P Thurgood

### **29 ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR THE MEETING**

**RESOLVED** to elect Councillor Dr Simon Peale as Chair of the meeting

*(Moved by Councillor Sheree Peale and seconded by Councillor Robert Bilcliff)*

The following motion was moved but not carried:

To elect Councillor Simon Goodall as Chair of the meeting.

### **30 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2020 were approved as a correct record.

*(Moved by Councillor Simon Goodall and seconded by Councillor Robert Bilcliff)*

### **31 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **32 CHAIR'S UPDATE**

There was no Chair's update.

**33 RESPONSES TO REPORTS OF THE CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

The Chair reported that following the meeting of the Committee on 25<sup>th</sup> August, the recommendation of this Committee on the Initial Impact of the Pandemic on the Council's Business Aims was taken to Cabinet on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2020 and Cabinet agreed to look at the longer term finances of the Heritage assets for Tamworth.

**34 FORWARD PLAN**

The Chair reported that given the major service reviews which were underway, the time to consider further matters would be following the outputs of such reviews.

**35 CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PLAN**

It was agreed that the Committee's work plan would be as set out below, with the Quarter 2 QPR to be considered at the Committee's next meeting and with the Chair, Councillor Jay, continuing to use discretion to update as necessary.

**Corporate Scrutiny Work Plan**

<b>Work Plan 2020 – 2021</b>		
<b>TARGET MEETING DATE</b>	<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>MEETING WHEN ITEM ADDED TO WORK PLAN</b>
19 <sup>th</sup> November 2020	Quarter 2 2020/21 Quarterly Performance Report	
10 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	Review of Legal Services (post implementation)	November 2019
10 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	Update on corporate prioritisation	August 2020
3 <sup>rd</sup> February 2021	Quarter 3 2020/21 Quarterly Performance Report	
3 <sup>rd</sup> February 2021	Review of Write-Offs (interim)	July 2020
3 <sup>rd</sup> February 2021	Update on Potential Legal Actions	October 2020
11 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	Solway trading company update	
Quarter 4 2020/21	Asset Management update	December 2019
June 2021 (tbc)	Review of Write Offs (full update)	July 2020

Dates to be agreed		
TBC	Market tender progress Update	August 2019
TBC	Parking Toolkit review	October 2019
TBC	Housing Repairs & Investment Contract Review	November 2019
TBC	Solway Trading Company Update (2x per year)	December 2019
TBC	Gungate Masterplan	January 2020
TBC	Review of Cabinet decisions over previous 12 month period ( <i>circulate to members post June meeting for comment</i> )	June 2020

Upcoming Corporate Scrutiny Committee Meetings
19 November 2020
10 December 2020
3 February 2021
11 March 2021

### 36 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

#### RESOLVED:

That members of the press and public be now excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item on the grounds that the business involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 3 and/or 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

*(Moved by Councillor Robert Bilcliff and seconded by Councillor M Oates)*

### 37 UPDATE ON POTENTIAL LEGAL ACTIONS

The Committee received the Update on Potential Legal Actions from the Executive Director, Organisation.

The Committee considered the report and thanked the Executive Director for her update, and agreed that this item should remain on the Committee's work plan for review in three months' time and to make the following recommendation to Cabinet:

#### RESOLVED:

That Cabinet note that the Corporate Scrutiny Committee had considered this item and that it recommended to Cabinet that the Leader of the Council be involved in any decisions in respect of any legal proceedings, in addition to the relevant Portfolio Holders.

*(Moved by Councillor Robert Bilcliff and seconded by Councillor Simon Goodall)*

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Chair