



## **THE EXECUTIVE**

**Meeting: Thursday, 23 June 2022 at 6.00 pm in The Board Room, Pavilion Gardens, Buxton**

Present: Councillor A McKeown (Chair)

Councillors A Barrow, F Sloman and J Todd

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors T Ashton and D Greenhalgh.

Councillors J Collins, K Sizeland, and E Thrane were also in attendance.

### **23/1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** (Agenda Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest made.

### **23/2 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** (Agenda Item 3)

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 7 April 2022 be approved as a correct record.

### **23/3 REVISED CORPORATE ENFORCEMENT POLICY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT POLICY** (Agenda Item 4)

The report presented an updated Corporate Enforcement Policy which set out the Council's general approach to enforcement. It also presented a revised policy on enforcing environmental crimes. The report was considered by the Community Select Committee on 18 May 2022.

Options considered:

There were no options to consider in the report because to be an effective regulator the Council needed to have robust enforcement policies in place.

RESOLVED:

1. That the revised Corporate Enforcement Policy at Appendix A of the report be approved.
2. That the revised Policy on Enforcement of Environmental Crimes provided at Appendix B to the report be approved.

**23/4**            **IN-PERSON/REMOTE COMMITTEE MEETINGS UPDATE**  
(Agenda Item 5)

The report provides an update to councillors on the conduct of online and in-person committee meetings. The report was considered by the Corporate Select Committee on 23 May 2022. It was suggested that the induction programme for councillors following the May 2023 elections should take into the use of online meetings.

Options considered:

Options with regards to the use of remote, in person and hybrid meetings were detailed in the report.

RESOLVED:

That the Council continues to use online meetings where feasible and that the technology and meeting room requirements in order to introduce hybrid meetings be investigated.

**23/5**            **SCRUTINY REVIEW**  
(Agenda Item 6)

The purpose of the report was to provide an update on the Council's response to the feedback provided by the Centre for Governance and Scrutiny (CfGS) following completion of their review of the Council's Scrutiny arrangements. The report had been considered by the overview and scrutiny review group and by the Corporate Select Committee on 28 March 2022.

A meeting of the Select Committee Programming Group would be arranged shortly and would consider an amendment to procedure rules to enable Annual Council to make appointments to select committee chairs and vice-chairs.

Options considered:

The report offers a range of options for consideration by members.

RESOLVED:

1. That the feedback from CfGS as detailed in Appendix A be considered.
2. That the suggested response to the recommendations set out in Appendix B along with the responses by the Corporate Select Committee when it was considered there be agreed.
3. That further investigations (if any) needed to meet the terms of reference for the review of arrangements for overview and scrutiny within the Council be considered.
4. That the Council's Constitution Sub-Committee be requested to meet and consider any required changes to the select committee procedure rules to meet the supported changes.

**23/6 REVIEW OF AGE DESIGNATION ACCOMMODATION & OLDER PERSONS SERVICES REPORT**  
(Agenda Item 7)

The report sought to review the number of properties designated for the over 55s, with a view to increasing the volume of general needs accommodation available for single/couple households whilst still protecting the income stream for the Carelink Service. The report further outlined the wider services available to support older people in our communities and was considered by the Community Select Committee on 18 May 2022.

Options considered:

As detailed on the report.

RESOLVED:

1. That the contents of the report be noted and that the following changes be implemented:
  - 1.1 That suitable identified properties for those under 55 be redesignated.
  - 1.2 That the sheltered stock be rebranded as "Retirement Living".
  - 1.3 That a "Try Before you Buy" Initiative within the sheltered stock be piloted.
  - 1.4 That the Carelink charging policy (appendix A) be agreed.

**23/7 APPOINTMENT TO OUTSIDE BODIES**  
(Agenda Item 8)

The purpose of the report is to appoint councillors to Outside Bodies. It was reported that the updated appendix to the report would be circulated shortly with some revisions from the previous year's appointments. This would include an additional body "We are Buxton".

Options considered:

Statutory guidance for authorities operating executive arrangements, states that the Executive should make appointments to all those outside bodies whose functions are executive functions. All other appointments should be made by Council. Appendix A lists the organisations for which representatives are appointed.

RESOLVED:

That councillors be appointed to the various outside bodies, as detailed in Appendix A.

**23/8**            **HIGH PEAK LOCAL PLAN REVIEW**  
(Agenda Item 9)

The report informed the Council of the conclusions from the review of the adopted High Peak Local Plan (2016) and to determine if it needed to be updated. The report was considered by the Economy and Growth Select Committee on 16 June 2022. Members thanked officers from the Council's Regeneration team for the support provided to the Local Plan Steering Group.

Options considered:

Option 1 (recommended) – that the recommendations of the report and the conclusions of the Local Plan review assessment are taken forward. This option reflected the latest evidence and outcome of the review and provided the Council with an opportunity to bring the Local Plan into line with new national policy and local priorities.

Option 2 (not recommended) – that alternative conclusions are drawn on the review. This option was less likely to align with the latest evidence and assessment of the Local Plan and may not lead to the update of the Local Plan to bring it in line with new national policy and local priorities.

RESOLVED:

1. That the details of the assessment of the adopted Local Plan be noted.
2. That it be concluded that Policy S3 (Strategic Housing Development), Policy S4 (Maintaining and Enhancing an Economic Base) and Policy H4 (Affordable Housing) are deemed out of date for development management purposes.
3. That the commencement of an update to the Local Plan to update Policy S3, S4 and H4 and to consider any consequential updates for policies and to reflect corporate priorities, including in particular issues around climate change, biodiversity and nutrient neutrality be agreed.
4. That the Local Plan Steering Group be reconvened to consider priorities and timescales for the Local Plan update to inform the consideration of a new Local Development Scheme by the Executive.

**23/9**            **TO RESOLVE THAT THE PUBLIC AND PRESS BE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEMS BECAUSE THERE MAY BE DISCLOSURE TO THEM OF EXEMPT INFORMATION AS DEFINED IN PART 1 OF SCHEDULE 12A OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972.**  
(Agenda Item 10)

RESOLVED:

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business as there may be disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

**23/10**      **LEVELLING UP FUND**  
(Agenda Item 11)

The Executive approved a report that set out the opportunity the Council had to submit a Levelling Up Fund Bid for the High Peak parliamentary constituency. It set out the key aspects of the government's levelling up agenda, the Levelling Up Fund Prospectus and the particulars of the bid to be submitted.

**23/11**      **UPDATE ON THE NORSE JOINT VENTURE**  
(Agenda Item 12)

The Executive approved a report the purpose of which was to:

- Provide the outcome of the statutory consultation with tenants in relation to the proposed changes to the delivery of repairs and assets services.
- Confirm the final arrangements regarding the second phase proposals to incorporate the cleaning and caretaking, facilities management and housing repairs services into the joint venture partnership.
- Give an update to the project programme for mobilisation.

The meeting concluded at 7.00 pm

**CHAIRMAN**