

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Executive

(to be confirmed at the next meeting)

Date: Monday, 9 January 2023

Venue: Collingwood Room - Civic Offices

Present:

S D T Woodward, Policy and Resources (Executive Leader)
I Bastable, Streetscene
Miss J Burton, Health & Public Protection
Mrs C L A Hockley, Housing
S D Martin, Planning and Development
Mrs S M Walker, Leisure and Community

Also in attendance:



1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence given for this meeting.

2. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Executive held on 06 December 2022 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

3. EXECUTIVE LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Executive Leader announced his intention to make an amendment to the Executive Portfolio areas of responsibility by moving Cemeteries and Crematorium from Streetscene to Health and Public Protection. This change will not affect the operational delivery of the cemetery service which will still be carried out by the Streetscene department but allows the strategic overview to sit under Health and Public Protection which is a more appropriate portfolio.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Executive Member for Health and Public Protection, Councillor Miss J Burton, declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest for item 9(2) – Fees and Charges as she is a community user of the facility at Daedalus.

As this interest relates specifically to fees and charges for Daedalus and recommendation (c) asks the Executive only to note the charges, Councillor Burton remained present for the rest of the item but left the room when recommendation (c) was considered and took no part in the discussion or decision for recommendation 9(2)(c).

5. PETITIONS

There were no petitions submitted at this meeting.

6. DEPUTATIONS

Deputations were received from Mr Gareth Jones in respect of items 9(1) Finance Strategy, Revenue Budget & Council Tax 2023/24, 9(2) Fees & Charges 2023/24 and 11(1) Relocation of Corporate Cabin, Solent Airport.

7. REFERENCES FROM OTHER COMMITTEES

There were no references from other Committees.

8. HOUSING

- (1) Fareham Housing Development of Ophelia Court, Montefiore Drive, Park Gate

During the discussion on this item the Executive Member for Housing placed on record her thanks to the officers of Fareham Housing and the Finance teams who have delivered a mix of affordable and shared ownership homes

across the Borough and aims to provide up to 345 homes over the coming years. All members of the Executive conveyed their thanks and admiration.

RESOLVED that the Executive agrees:

- (a) the updated funding mechanisms, as outlined in the confidential Appendix A to the report, for the delivery of an affordable home ownership scheme at Ophelia Court; and
- (b) that the award of contract and the appointment of building contractor(s) for Ophelia Court be delegated to the Deputy Chief Executive Officer, following consultation with the Executive Member for Housing.

9. POLICY AND RESOURCES

(1) Finance Strategy, Revenue Budget & Council Tax 2023/24

A deputation on this item was received from Mr Gareth Jones.

RESOLVED that the Executive:

Financial Forecasts (MTFS)

- (a) approves the Medium-Term Finance Strategy for the period 2022/23 to 2026/27, as set out at Appendix C to the report;
- (b) agrees to submit the updated Pay Policy, annexed to the Medium-Term Finance Strategy in Appendix C at Annex 2, to Full Council for approval;

Revenue Budgets

- (c) approves the revised 2022/23 general fund revenue budget, amounting to £10,987,300, as set out in Appendix A and B to the report; and
- (d) approves the base 2023/24 general fund revenue budget amounting to £11,897,100, as set out in Appendices A and B to the report

(2) Fees & Charges 2023/24

Councillor Miss J Burton declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest for this item as she is a community user of the facility at Daedalus. Councillor Burton left the room, taking no part in the discussion and decision relating to recommendation (c) (see minute 4 above).

A deputation on this item was received from Mr Gareth Jones.

RESOLVED that the Executive

- (a) approves the fees and charges for 2023/24, as set out at Appendix A to the report;
- (b) notes the fees and charges that will be reviewed by the Licensing and Regulatory Affairs and the Planning Committees;

- (c) notes the Solent Airport Daedalus charges at Appendix B to the report;
- (d) approves the increase for the Trade Waste fees and charges as set out at the confidential Appendix C to the report;
- (e) gives delegated authority to the Head of Streetscene to agree concessions to the Trade Waste charges at Appendix C to win business that will be of benefit to the Council; and
- (f) notes the other fees and charges at Appendix C.

10. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED that in accordance with the Local Government Act 1974, the Public & Press be excluded from the remainder of the meeting, as the Executive considers that it is not in the public interest to consider the matters in public on the grounds that they will involve the disclosure of exempt information, as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

11. POLICY & RESOURCES

- (1) Relocation of Corporate Cabin, Solent Airport

A deputation was received on this item from Mr Gareth Jones.

RESOLVED that the Executive agrees the recommendations as set out in the confidential report.

(The meeting started at 6.00 pm
and ended at 6.27 pm).