

NORTH WARWICKSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT BOARD

26 July 2021

Present: Councillor Bell in the Chair.

Councillors Chambers, D Clews, Hancocks, Jenns, Jordan, Moss, Parsons, H Phillips, S Smith and A Wright.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Gosling (sub Parsons), M Humphreys (sub A Wright), Macdonald (sub Moss), Parker (sub D Clews) and L Smith (sub Hancocks)

1 **Disclosable Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests**

None were declared at the meeting.

2 **Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on 15 March 2021**

The minutes of the meeting held on 15 March 2021, copies having been previously circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

3 **Budgetary Control Report 2021/22 Period Ended 30 June 2021**

The Corporate Director – Resources reported on the revenue expenditure and income for the period from 1 April to 30 June 2021. The 2021/22 budget and the actual position for the period, compared with the estimate at that date were given, together with an estimate of the out-turn position for services reporting to the Board.

Resolved:

That the report be noted.

4 **Leisure Facilities: Service Improvement Plan**

The Director of Leisure and Community Development sought consideration of the Service Improvement Plan (SIP), which detailed activity through to the end of June 2021, through which the Board had agreed to monitor the operational performance of the leisure facilities at each of its meetings.

Resolved:

That the progress made against the requirements identified in the approved 2021/22 Leisure Facilities Service Improvement Plan, through which operational performance was monitored, be noted.

5 Boot Hill Recreation Ground, Grendon

The Director of Leisure and Community Development informed Members of the progress made in respect of the development of Boot Hill Recreation Ground in Grendon and sought the Board's direction on potential improvements to on-site ancillary accommodation and in respect of the potential granting of a Tenancy at Will to Grendon Football Club.

Resolved:

- a That the progress made in respect of the development of Boot Hill Recreation Ground in Grendon be noted;**
- b That the on-site ancillary accommodation at the Recreation Ground be improved by renovation of the existing brick-built facility; and**

Recommendation to Resources Board:

- c That the Borough Council enter into a short-term agreement with Grendon Football Club, for it to assume responsibility for the management and maintenance of Boot Hill Recreation Ground.**

6 Minutes of the Health and Wellbeing Working Party Meeting held on 21 June 2021

The minutes of the Health and Wellbeing Working Party meeting held on 21 June 2021 were received and noted.

7 Progress Report on Achievement of Corporate Plan and Performance Indicator Targets April 2020 – March 2021

The Chief Executive informed Members of the progress with the achievement of the Corporate Plan and Performance Indicator targets relevant to the Board for April 2020 to March 2021.

Resolved:

That the report be noted.

8 Update on Green Bin Service

The Corporate Director – Streetscape updated Members on the impact and results of the introduction of the chargeable Garden Waste Service from 1 April 2021.

Resolved:

That the report be noted.

9 National Waste Strategy Consultation Responses

The Corporate Director – Streetscape set out the Warwickshire Waste Partnership's joint responses to the Government's second round of consultations on Extended Producer Responsibility, Deposit Return Schemes and Consistent Collections, as set out in the National Resources and Waste Strategy.

Resolved:

That the report be noted.

10 Exclusion of the Public and Press

That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, it was resolved that the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business, on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined by Schedule 12A to the Act, namely it is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.

11 Polesworth Sports Centre

The Director of Leisure and Community Development sought approval for a proposed approach to resolving the short-term future of leisure facility provision in Polesworth.

It was proposed by Councillor Chambers and seconded by Councillor H Phillips by way of amendment:

That the recommendation was replaced by the following:

a proposals for a new build leisure centre serving Polesworth / Dordon and surrounding villages be brought forward for approval by C and E board and Full Council by March 2022;

b the Chief Executive and Leader of the Council: -

- i make further attempts to re-open discussions with the Communities Academies Trust about the possibility of extending the Licensing Agreement for another 12 months**
 - ii negotiate an agreement with the Trust for the continued provision of squash, gymnastics and Martial arts at Polesworth School if it proves impossible to extend the current Licensing Agreement for this period**
- c no decisions are made about short term capital investment to establish a gym until recommendation b has been taken forward;**
- d the Council honours the commitment given in Para 7.4 that “alternative means by which services at Polesworth leisure centre” and sets out clear costed proposals for how this will be achieved before any decision is taken; and**
- e Officers provide sufficient operational detail and financial information on proposed staffing changes to the range and level of services currently provided at Polesworth leisure centre so that Members can properly understand and assess the impact of these changes.**

Upon being put to the meeting the Chairman declared the amendment to be lost.

In accordance with Standing Order No 29 the names of those members who voted on the amendment was as follows:

For - Chambers, Hancocks, Parsons, H Phillips (4)

Against - Bell, D Clews, Jenns, Jordan, Moss, S Smith and A Wright (7)

Resolved:

That the proposed approach to resolving the short-term future of leisure facility provision in Polesworth be approved; and

Recommendation to the Executive Board:

That the expenditure as set out in the report of the Director of Leisure and Community Development be met from the New Initiatives reserve.

In accordance with Standing Order No 29 the named vote on the recommendation was as follows:

For – Bell, D Clews, Jenns, Jordan, Moss, S Smith and A Wright (7)

Against – Chambers, H Phillips (2)

Abstain – Hancocks, Parsons (2)

Margaret Bell
Chairman