

NORTH WARWICKSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT BOARD

15 March 2021

Present: Councillor Bell in the Chair.

Councillors Chambers, Gosling, M Humphreys, Jarvis, Jenns, Lees, Morson, H Phillips, Rose, Smith and A Wright.

Councillors D Clews, Farrow and Symonds were also in attendance.

23 **Disclosable Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests**

Councillor M Humphreys declared a non-pecuniary interest in Minute No 28 Financial Assistance to Outside Organisations.

24 **Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on 18 January 2021**

The minutes of the meeting held on 18 January 2021, copies having been previously circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

25 **Leisure Facilities: Service Improvement Plan**

The Director of Leisure and Community Development sought Members' consideration of the revised Service Improvement Plan, detailing progress made to date against each of the proposed actions, A draft Service Improvement Plan for the 12 months period commencing April 2021 was also appended to the report of the Director of Leisure and Community Development for Member's consideration and approval.

Resolved:

- a That the progress made against the requirements identified in the revised and approved 2020/21 Leisure Facilities Service Improvement Plan be noted; and**
- b That the draft Service Improvement Plan through which operational and financial performance will be monitored through to 31 March 2022, be approved.**

26 **Leisure Facilities – 2021/22 Bank Holiday Closures**

The Director of Leisure and Community Development sought the Board's consideration of a schedule of Bank Holiday closures of leisure facilities during the 2021/22 financial year.

Resolved:

That the schedule of leisure facility closures, as set out in paragraph 4.1 of the report, be approved.

27 LEADER Programme Update

The Director of Leisure and Community Development updated Members on the progress made in respect of the delivery of the North Warwickshire and Hinckley and Bosworth LEADER programme (2015 to 2020).

Resolved:

That the progress made in respect of the delivery of the North Warwickshire and Hinckley and Bosworth LEADER programme (2015 to 2020), be noted.

28 Financial Assistance to Outside Organisations

The Director of Leisure and Community Development detailed requests for assistance through the provision of an annual grant received from Warwickshire Community and Voluntary Action (WCAVA), North Warwickshire Citizens Advice (NW CA), Live and Local, North Warwickshire Allotments Federation and North Warwickshire First Responders.

Resolved:

- a That the work undertaken by the organisations funded in 2020/21 through the Annual Grants Scheme be noted; and**
- b That the five organisations that had requested funding for 2021/22 be awarded the level of funding as detailed below:**
 - WCAVA- £11,000**
 - NW CA - £34,000**
 - Live and Local - £2,000**
 - North Warwickshire Allotments Federation - £500**
 - North Warwickshire First Responders - £4,100**

29 North Warwickshire Green Space Strategy Progress Report

The Director of Leisure and Community Development informed Members of the progress made in respect of delivery against the priorities set out in the North Warwickshire Green Space Strategy (2020 to 2033).

Resolved:

That the progress made in respect of the implementation of the priorities of the North Warwickshire Green Space Strategy (2020 to 2033) be noted.

30 Health and Wellbeing Action Plan

The Board was provided with an update on the progress being made in respect of the actions identified in the approved Health and Wellbeing Action Plan (2020 to 2023).

Resolved:

That the progress made in respect of the delivery of the commitments identified in the Health and Wellbeing Action Plan (2020 to 2023) be noted.

31 Minutes of the Health and Wellbeing Working Party Meeting held on 22 February 2021

The minutes of the Health and Wellbeing Working Party meeting held on 22 February 2021 were received and noted.

32 Climate Change Update

The Corporate Director – Streetscape updated Members on the baselining work which had been undertaken on the Council's carbon emissions and set out steps which are being undertaken to reduce the Council's carbon footprint and that of the wider Borough, as well as areas which would need to be the subject of further action in the future.

Resolved:

That the report be noted.

33 Progress Report on Achievement of Corporate Plan and Performance Indicator Targets April – December 2020

Members were informed of the progress with the achievement of the Corporate Plan and Performance Indicator targets relevant to the Board for April to December 2020.

Resolved:

That the report be noted.

34 **Exclusion of the Public and Press**

That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, 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.

35 **Confidential Extract of the minutes of the Community and Environment Board held on 18 January 2021**

The confidential extract of the minutes of the Board held on 18 January 2021 were received and noted.

Margaret Bell
Chairman