### HINCKLEY AND BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

# **EXECUTIVE**

# 13 FEBRUARY 2014 AT 5.00 PM

PRESENT: Mr SL Bray - Chairman

Mr DS Cope, Mr WJ Crooks, Mr DM Gould, Mr KWP Lynch, Mr MT Mullaney and Ms BM Witherford

Members in attendance: Councillors Mr PR Batty, Mr JS Moore and Mr K Morrell

Officers in attendance: Steve Atkinson, Bill Cullen, Sanjiv Kohli and Rebecca Owen

#### 402 APOLOGIES

Apologies were submitted on behalf of Councillor Bill.

## 403 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared at this stage.

## 404 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET

The Executive gave consideration to a report which recommended approval of a supplementary budget of £27,149.25 to fund the costs application awarded against the Council in the course of the planning appeal for development off Britannia Road, Burbage.

Discussion ensued regarding members' disappointment with the Inspector's decision and the number of appeals that had been allowed over recent months. It was felt that the NPPF appeared to favour developers rather than the community and members were generally in agreement with the sentiment that they should support the residents despite the threat of appeals. It was noted that financial provision was being recommended in the budget report to Council to help cover the costs of forthcoming appeal awards but it was hoped that with progress on the Housing Allocations Development Plan Documents that the Council's position could be strengthened at any subsequent appeals.

It was moved by Councillor Bray, seconded by Councillor Crooks, and

<u>RESOLVED</u> – a one off supplementary budget of £27,149.25 to fund the costs application awarded against the Council, financed from the General Fund in-year savings be approved.

(The Meeting closed at 5.20 pm)	
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	CHAIRMAN