HINCKLEY AND BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

FINANCE & PERFORMANCE SCRUTINY

9 JUNE 2025 AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT: Cllr MJ Surtees - Chair Cllr P Williams – Vice-Chair Cllr DT Glenville, Cllr LJ Mullaney, Cllr P Stead-Davis and Cllr BE Sutton

Officers in attendance: Chris Brown, Julie Kenny, Rebecca Owen and Ashley Wilson

23. Apologies and substitutions

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Smith and Weightman.

24. **Declarations of interest**

No interests were declared.

25. Minutes of previous meeting

It was moved by Councillor Sutton, seconded by Councillor Glenville and

RESOLVED – the minutes of the meeting held on 17 March 2025.

26. Local Plan Budget

In response to a request at a previous meeting, members were updated in relation to current local plan budgets and expenditure. It was reported that the overspend identified at the previous meeting related to an evidence project which had cost more than anticipated. During discussion, the following points were raised:

- There had been issues nationally in relation to biodiversity net gain and the government was considering removing the requirement from smaller applications
- The local plan would continue to progress despite forthcoming reorganisation within local government and would still validly cover the area of the borough under any new authority
- Due to changes announced by the government in December, regulation 18 stage would need to be repeated to take account of the additional housing numbers, with regulation 19 anticipated for spring 2026.

The report was noted.

27. Performance and Risk Management Framework End of year summary for 2024/25

Due to technical issues, this item was deferred to the following meeting.

28. Corporate Sundry Debtor Recovery Policy update

It was noted that, whilst this item could not be considered due to technical issues, a decision was due to be made by the Executive on 18 June and Finance & Performance Scrutiny would not have the opportunity to reconvene prior to that date. It was therefore suggested that authority be delegated to the chair and vice-chair to pass comments onto the Executive.

It was moved by Councillor Sutton, seconded by Councillor Glenville and

RESOLVED –

- (i) The chair and vice-chair be requested to attend the Executive meeting on 18 June;
- (ii) Authority be delegated to the chair and vice-chair to pass on Finance & Performance Scrutiny's comments.

29. NNDR Write Off

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It was moved by Councillor Sutton, seconded by Councillor Glenville and

RESOLVED -

- (iii) The chair and vice-chair be requested to attend the Executive meeting on 18 June;
- (iv) Authority be delegated to the chair and vice-chair to pass on Finance & Performance Scrutiny's comments.

30. Treasury Management Quarter 3 2024/25

Due to technical issues, this item was deferred to the following meeting.

31. Treasury Management Quarter 4 2024/25

Due to technical issues, this item was deferred to the following meeting.

32. Sundry Debts Quarter 4 - 2024/25

Due to technical issues, this item was deferred to the following meeting.

33. Finance & Performance Scrutiny Work Programme

Consideration was given to the work programme. No changes were requested.

(The Meeting closed at 6.58 pm)

CHAIR