

HINCKLEY AND BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

18 April 2023 AT 6.30 pm

PRESENT: CLLR DT GLENVILLE - MAYOR
CLLR SM GIBBENS – DEPUTY MAYOR

Cllr DC Bill MBE, Cllr CW Boothby, Cllr SL Bray,
Cllr MB Cartwright, Cllr JMT Collett, Cllr MA Cook, Cllr DS Cope,
Cllr DJ Findlay, Cllr REH Flemming, Cllr A Furlong,
Cllr L Hodgkins, Cllr E Hollick, Cllr MR Lay, Cllr KWP Lynch,
Cllr K Morrell, Cllr LJ Mullaney, Cllr MT Mullaney, Cllr K Nichols,
Cllr LJP O'Shea, Cllr RB Roberts, Cllr MC Sheppard-Bools,
Cllr H Smith, Cllr BR Walker, Cllr R Webber-Jones,
Cllr HG Williams and Cllr P Williams

Officers in attendance: Bill Cullen, Julie Kenny, Rebecca Owen and Sharon Stacey

345. **Apologies**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors C Allen, R Allen, J Crooks, W Crooks, Ladkin and Pendlebury.

346. **Minutes of the previous meeting**

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

RESOLVED – the minutes of the meeting held on 22 February be confirmed and signed by the Mayor.

347. **Declarations of interest**

No interests were declared.

348. **Mayor's Communications**

The Mayor reported on recent events and paid tribute to longstanding members, Councillors Bill, Lay, Morrell and Nichols, who were retiring in May.

349. **Leader of the Council's Position Statement**

In his position statement, the Leader referred to recent events, the Hinckley National Rail Freight Interchange and thanked members and officers for their support over the last four years. Members paid tribute to retiring councillors and echoed the Leader's thanks to all members and officers.

350. **Minutes of the Scrutiny Commission**

The minutes of the Scrutiny Commission were received for information.

351. Review of the Council's Constitution

Consideration was given to a report of the Constitution Working Group which recommended updates to the council's constitution. It was moved by Councillor Bray, seconded by Councillor Bill and

RESOLVED – the amendments listed in the appendices to the report be approved.

352. Committee membership

Following a change of political group membership, members were presented with an updated political balance and recommended committee membership. It was moved by Councillor Bray, seconded by Councillor Bill and

RESOLVED –

- (i) The political balance set out in the agenda be approved;
- (ii) Councillor Roberts remain on the Planning Committee as an independent member;
- (iii) Councillor Roberts be appointed to the Audit Committee;
- (iv) The Chief Executive, in consultation with the group leader, be granted delegated authority to approve membership of the Audit Committee from the conservative group in order to achieve the required political balance should a meeting of the committee be required in advance of the election of the new Council.

353. Matters from which the public may be excluded

On the motion of Councillor Glenville seconded by Councillor Gibbens, it was

RESOLVED – in accordance with section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 3 and 10 of Part I of Schedule 12A of that Act.

354. Lease negotiations

Members received a report relating to the lease of a retail unit. It was moved by Councillor Lynch, seconded by Councillor Bray and

RESOLVED –

- (i) The options contained in the report be acknowledged;
- (ii) The decision on the most appropriate option including any variation and subsequent completion of the lease be

delegated to the Estates & Asset Manager in consultation with the Leader and the Executive member for Finance.

(The Meeting closed at 7.34 pm)

MAYOR