## HINCKLEY AND BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

# JOINT MEETING OF FINANCE & PERFORMANCE SCRUTINY AND THE SCRUTINY COMMISSION

### 30 JANUARY 2017 AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT: Mr KWP Lynch - Chairman

Mr MR Lay – Vice-Chairman

Mr DC Bill MBE, Mr SL Bray, Mrs R Camamile, Mr DS Cope, Mrs J Kirby, Mr BE Sutton, Miss DM Taylor, Mr P Wallace, Mr R Ward and Mr HG Williams

Members in attendance: Councillors Mr SL Rooney

Officers in attendance: Malcolm Evans, Simon D Jones, Julie Kenny, Rebecca Owen, Rob Parkinson and Ashley Wilson

#### 336 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared at this stage.

## 340 CAPITAL PROGRAMME

The capital programme for 2016/17 to 2019/20 was presented to members. The cost of the leisure centre demolition being far lower than budgeted and the expenditure under the Developing Communities Fund of £700k in year one and a further £700k in year two were highlighted. A member suggested that the spending of £1.4m under the Developing Communities Fund in two years was ambitious.

It was noted that a procurement process had been undertaken in relation to the leisure centre, and the low costs of the winning tender had been realised, assisted by the high value of the equipment within the building. The ward councillor thanked officers and the contractor for the way the demolition had been managed, including the level of communication with the community. It was reported that the options for the site were still under discussion, and it was asked that ward councillors be kept informed and that the options be brought to the Scrutiny Commission when available.

A member noted the provision for accommodating the Hansom Cab within the frontage of the former Coop building and asked if that was an indication that the council was retaining the building. In response it was noted that the housing of the Hansom Cab was a medium term arrangements and that options were still being considered for the Coop site.

In relation to the former depot site on Middlefield Lane, a member expressed the need for it to be developed as soon as possible as it was becoming an untidy site.

# RESOLVED -

- (i) the report be noted
- (ii) a report on options for the former leisure centre site be brought to the Scrutiny Commission in due course.