

# EAST STAFFORDSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

## **SCRUTINY (AUDIT AND VALUE FOR MONEY COUNCIL SERVICES) COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Scrutiny (Audit and Value for Money Council Services) Committee held in the Meeting Room at the Brewhouse Arts Centre, Burton upon Trent on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2018.

### **Present:**

Councillors S. Smith (Chairman), G. Allen, S. Andjelkovic, M. J. Bowering, A. A. Chaudhry, M. Fitzpatrick, D. F. Fletcher, S. Gaskin, D. Goodfellow, H. Hall, P. Hudson, A. Johnson, J. Killoran, L. Milner, C. Smith and Mrs B. Toon.

### **Officers Present:**

Head of Service (Sal Khan), the Chief Accountant, the Corporate and Commercial Manager and the Senior Democratic Services Officer.

An apology for absence was received from Dr B. Jones (Independent Member).

### **Also Present:**

Head of Service (Mark Rizk) and Councillor C. Whittaker.

#### 68/18 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest declared at the commencement of the meeting.

#### 69/18 **MINUTES**

##### **Resolved:**

That the Public Minutes of the meeting of the Scrutiny (Audit and Value for Money Council Services) Committee held on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2017 be approved and signed as a correct record.

#### 70/18 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There was no urgent business submitted to the meeting pursuant to Rule 12.

#### 71/18 **TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY AND STATEMENT AND ANNUAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY 2018/2019**

The Chief Accountant presented the Treasury Management Strategy Statement and the Annual Investment Strategy 2018/19, which fulfils various statutory requirements and best practice guidelines in respect of the Council's Treasury activities and also its capital investment plans.

An opportunity for questions followed.

##### **Resolved:**

That Members noted the Treasury Management Strategy Statement and the Annual Investment Strategy and did not make any comments or observations to full Council.

72/18 **REVIEW OF INCOME GENERATION UPDATE**

Councillor M Fitzpatrick updated the Committee on the Income Generation review.

An opportunity for questions followed.

**NOTED**

73/18 **REVIEW OF DISABLED FACILITY GRANTS UPDATE**

Councillor G Allen updated the Committee on the Disabled Facilities Grants review.

An opportunity for questions followed.

**NOTED**

74/18 **REVIEW OF REPRESENTATIONS ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

The Corporate and Commercial Manager updated the Committee on the Representations on Outside Bodies review.

With the Chairman's approval, the Corporate and Commercial Manager requested that the review be postponed until after the 2017/2018 reports were received, he then would continue to analyse the data.

An opportunity for questions followed.

**NOTED**

75/18 **SCRUTINY – WORK PROGRAMME**

Members received an update on the scrutiny work programme circulated with the agenda.

The Corporate and Commercial Manager confirmed that the work programme would be updated as and when the reviews were completed.

Councillor D Goodfellow informed the Committee that the Government review into Overview and Scrutiny had been published. It was agreed that he would share the link of the review with other Members of the Committee by email.

An opportunity for questions followed.

**NOTED**

76/18 **PUBLIC EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORDS**

Members considered the Private Executive Decision Records.

An opportunity for questions followed.

Mark Rizk (Head of Service) updated the Committee regarding EDR 843/17.

**NOTED**

77/18 **QUESTIONS**

A question received prior to the meeting pursuant to Rule 18 were circulated at the meeting and appended to the Minutes.

78/18 **DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING**

**Resolved:**

That the next meeting take place on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 6.30pm in the Meeting Room, Brewhouse Arts Centre, Burton upon Trent.

79/18 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

**Resolved:**

That, in accordance with Section 100(A) (4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the Press and Public be excluded from the Meeting during discussion of the following items as it would likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets before each item number on the Agenda:

**PRIVATE MINUTES**

**LEISURE OPTIONS PROJECT**

**PRIVATE EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORDS**

**Chairman**