

EAST STAFFORDSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of East Staffordshire Borough Council held in the Council Chamber at the Town Hall, Burton upon Trent on Monday 16th September 2019.

Present:

Councillor C Wileman (Mayor) in the Chair

Councillors	Mrs P L Ackroyd (Deputy Mayor)	G Hall
	G Allen	H Hall
	S Andjelkovic	P Hudson
	Mrs B Ashcroft	S A Hussain
	E W R Barker	Mrs J A Killoran
	Mrs B Brady	Ms A J Legg
	K J Builth	S McGarry
	A Clarke	S McKiernan
	R A Faulkner	M Metcalfe
	M Fitzpatrick	B G Peters
	D F Fletcher	G Raybould
	D Florence-Jukes	S Sankey
	S P Gaskin	M Shrive
	D Goodfellow	C Sylvester
	Mrs V Gould	Mrs B Toon
	R G W Grosvenor	P Walker

Officers Present:

The Chief Executive, the Heads of Service (Sal Khan and Mark Rizk), the Deputy Monitoring Officer, the Chief Accountant, the Senior Enterprise Officer, the Programmes and Transformation Officers, the E-Communications Officer and the Principal Democratic Services Officer.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A A Chaudhry, A Johnson, Mrs J Jones, G Lamb, D M Spedding and C V Whittaker.

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, the Mayor placed on record his thanks and best wishes to his Chaplain, Rev W S Monkhouse, who would be retiring in the very near future.

40/19 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

41/19 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There was no urgent business for consideration at the meeting.

APPOINTMENT OF PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES TO THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Council noted that following the receipt of expressions of interest from Parish and Town Councillors for the two vacancies on the Standards Committee, the Monitoring Officer and the Deputy Monitoring Officer had interviewed prospective candidates. Walid Qneibi (Brizlincote Parish Council) and Alison Trenerly (Uttoxeter Town Council) had been selected to serve on the Standards Committee as Town/Parish Council representatives.

Resolved:

That Walid Qneibi and Alison Trenerly be appointed to serve on the Standards Committee as Town/Parish Council representatives.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows:

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WASHLANDS ENHANCEMENT PROJECT FUNDING: DELISTING OF WORKS TO BURTON LIBRARY; INCLUSION OF MEMORIAL GARDENS WORK AND CONFIRMATION OF FUNDING ALLOCATION APPROACH

The report of the Chief Executive on the Washlands Enhancement Project funding: delisting of works to Burton Library; inclusion of memorial gardens work and the confirmation of funding allocation approach was considered. The following appendices had been circulated with the report:

- Appendix 1: Concept Plan;
- Appendix 2: Concept Planting Plan;
- Appendix 3: EHIA for the Washlands Strategy.

Council noted that on 4th September 2019 the GBSLEP Programme Board had approved the allocation of £3,000,000 for the delivery of the flood defence work and the enhancements (£2m flood defences, £1m enhancements). It was noted that the landscape work included the following in the documents: Preliminaries; Clearance; Earthworks; Soft Landscape Works; Hard Landscape Works; Play Equipment; Lighting and Architectural and that the detailed business case would be considered by Cabinet, as per the minutes of the Council meeting held on 3rd December 2018.

In accordance with Rule 17.3 the Mayor requested a named vote be taken for this item. This was seconded and duly agreed by more than one fifth of the members present.

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P Walker		
C Wileman		

Resolved:

- 1) That the proposed works for the library, at an estimated cost of £0.210m, be put on hold for future consideration, following further engagement with Staffordshire County Council at the appropriate time;
- 2) That the remembrance garden works of £0.040m be included as a budget sum in the Washlands Enhancement project;
- 3) That the approved provisional funding of £1.26m be revised to £1.05m and be fully allocated to the project from existing capital resources, given the Bargates capital receipt had not been forthcoming;
- 4) That the success of the GBSLEP funding of £3.0m (£2.0m flood defence, £1.0m enhancements) which was approved at their Programme Board on 4th September 2019 be noted;
- 5) That Cabinet approval of the council's final business case to proceed would still be required as per the 3rd December 2018 Council meeting minutes.

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HS2 UPDATE AND QUALIFYING AUTHORITY STATUS FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE HIGH SPEED RAIL (MIDLANDS TO CREWE) BILL

The report of the Head of Service (Sal Khan) on the High Speed 2 (HS2) update and qualifying authority status for the purposes of the High Speed Rail (Midlands to Crewe) Bill was considered. The following appendices had been circulated with the report:

- Appendix A: Breadth of Controls;
- Appendix B: Draft Planning Memorandum;
- Appendix C: Plans identifying the route of the Parkgate Proposal;
- Appendix D: Draft pre-Royal assent SLA.

The route of the proposed Phase 2a did not extend into the Borough of East Staffordshire and that the relevance of the proposals for the Borough would be the incorporation of the infrastructure necessary to power the train.

Council noted that Local Planning Authorities wishing to have a greater range of controls were required to inform the Secretary of State if they wished to become a Qualifying Authority before the conclusion of the House of Lords Select Committee (expected September 2019). Although the proposed HS2 scheme, by way of the bill gaining Royal Assent, would have deemed planning permission, local planning approval would still be required for detailed design submissions across the pylon route. As Qualifying body, the Borough Council would have the maximum level of control when considering plans.

Resolved:

- 1) That East Staffordshire Borough Council become a Qualifying Authority in relation to the HS2 Bill;
- 2) That the Council delegate authority to the Head of Service, Sal Khan, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Planning Policy, to undertake all

necessary steps required to become a Qualifying Authority, including the signing of the Planning Memorandum and Service Level Agreement.

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45/19 **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 remainder of the Meeting as it was 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.

Mayor