

Lancashire County Council

Executive Scrutiny Committee

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 7th June, 2016 at 2.00 pm in Cabinet Room 'C' - The Duke of Lancaster Room, County Hall, Preston

Present:

County Councillor Alyson Barnes (Chair)

County Councillors

A Atkinson	M Green
M Brindle	D O'Toole
Mrs S Charles	J Oakes
D Clifford	N Penney
L Collinge	S Perkins
B Dawson	J Shedwick

County Councillors Margaret Brindle, Lizzi Collinge and John Shedwick replaced County Councillors Bill Winlow, Steve Holgate and Geoff Driver, respectively at this meeting.

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from County Councillor Azhar Ali, County Councillor Jennifer Mein, and County Councillor Matthew Tomlinson.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary and Non-pecuniary Interests

County Councillor Michael Green declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 8a as a member of South Ribble Borough Council.

The Chair reported that the annual report on the Constitution of the Committee had been omitted from the agenda in error and further reported that, following the meeting of Full Council on 26 May 2016, the Chair and Deputy Chair remained the same; there had been no changes to the Committee's terms of reference; and, in terms of membership, there had been one change in that County Councillor Sandra Perkins had replaced County Councillor Gina Dowding. The report would be circulated separately to Committee members.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 10 May 2016

Resolved: - That the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 10 May 2016 be confirmed as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chair.

4. Reports for decision by Cabinet

The Committee considered the following decision due to be taken by Cabinet:

a. Preston Bus Station - Project Update

The Committee received a presentation from architect, John Puttick, on the detailed proposals for the regeneration of Preston Bus Station and Multi Storey Car Park. With the aid of illustrations and plans, the presentation provided the Committee with an overview of how the revised design for the bus station, concourse and youth zone would look on completion.

The Committee subsequently considered a report on the proposals. The report set out in detail the background to the proposals, dating back to December 2013 and Cabinet's decision that the County Council should assume ownership of the Preston Bus Station and Multi Storey Car Park. The report then outlined the construction programme development; the proposals for the Youth Zone; the proposals for the multi storey car park; the proposals for the concourse; public realm proposals; highway works; the planning strategy; the development programme; the capital costs and funding proposals; the financial performance in relation to revenue and, finally, risk management and the legal and property implications.

Specific reference was made to the proposals for funding the additional contribution of £925,000 for the Preston Youth Zone from the existing allocation for the delivery of youth zones across Lancashire, and the potential risks should bus operators not agree to the proposed charging arrangements.

Resolved: - That:

- (i) The recommendations set out in the report to Cabinet be noted and that no additional comments or suggested alternative recommendations be made;
- (ii) John Puttick be thanked for his detailed and informative presentation to the Committee.

5. Urgent Business

There was no urgent business to be considered.

6. Date of Next Meeting

It was noted that the next meeting of the Committee would be held on Tuesday 12 July 2016 at 2.00pm at County Hall, Preston.

7. Exclusion of Press and Public

Resolved: - That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the press and public should be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the

following items of business on the grounds that there would be a likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the appropriate paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972 and that in all circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

8. Report for decision by Cabinet

The Committee considered the following decision due to be taken by Cabinet:

a. Cuerden Strategic Site Development

(Not for publication – Exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972. It is considered that in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information)

The Committee considered a report setting out updated proposals for the delivery of part of the Cuerden Strategic Development Site.

Resolved: - That the recommendations set out in the report to Cabinet be noted and that no additional comments or suggested alternative recommendations be made.

9. Forthcoming Individual Cabinet Member Key Decisions

The Committee considered the following report on a Key Decision due to be taken by the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport.

a. Supply of Stone, Precast Concrete and Paving Products

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The Committee considered a report on the proposed award of a Framework Agreement and the appointment of contractors for the supply of stone, precast concrete and paving products.

Resolved: - That the recommendation set out in the report to the Cabinet Member for Highways and transport be noted and that no additional comments or suggested alternative recommendations be made.

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and Public Services

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