HOUSING & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

28 SEPTEMBER 2023

OPEN

PRESENT:

Labour Group

Councillor G Rhind (Chair) and Councillor M Mulgrew (Vice-Chair) and

Councillors A Archer, A Haynes, J Jackson, D Pegg, V Redfern (substituting for Councillor S Harrison), D Shepherd and A Tilley.

Conservative Group

Councillors D Corbin, M Fitzpatrick and J Lowe.

Liberal Democrats

Councillor G Andrew (substituting for Councillor J Davies).

In attendance

Councillor A Wheelton.

HCS/25 APOLOGIES

The Committee was informed that apologies had been received from Councillors S Harrison (Labour Group) and Councillor J Davies (Liberal Democrats).

HCS/26 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Committee noted that no Declarations of Interest had been received.

HCS/27 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 10

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Public had been received.

HCS/28 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Council had been received.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

HCS/29 BUDGET SETTING APPROACH 2024-25

The Head of Finance presented the report to the Committee highlighting the principles at section 3.6 of the report adding that the new proposals would reduce ad-hoc budget requests.

Members noted that they looked forward to working with the new approach and that the training and workshops provided had been excellent.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee noted the budget setting approach within the report and encouraged Members to provide feedback to the Strategic Director (Corporate Resources).

HCS/30 UPDATE TO PARKS AND GREEN SPACES SERVICE STANDARDS POLICY

The Head of Cultural and Community Services presented the report to the Committee which included the section on Biodiversity Net Gain and Wildlife sites.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee approved the updated Parks and Green Spaces Service Standards Policy which included the addition of the Biodiversity and Nature Areas and local wildlife sites.

HCS/31 **COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME**

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) presented the work programme to the Committee.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee considered and approved the updated work programme.

HCS/32 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)

The Chairman may therefore move:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is 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 paragraphs

of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

ANY EXEMPT QUESTIONS RECEIVED BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no exempt questions from Members of the Council had been received.

SHARPE'S POTTERY HERITAGE AND ARTS TRUST

RESOLVED:

That the Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

LONG TERM LEASE OF SHARDLOW ALLOTMENTS TO SHARDLOW AND GREAT WILNE PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLVED:

That the Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

The meeting terminated at 18:25 hours.

COUNCILLOR G RHIND

CHAIR