SCRUTINY OF THE ADMINISTRATION'S BUDGET PROPOSALS

Minutes of a meeting held at the Council Offices, Narborough

WEDNESDAY, 17 JANUARY 2024

Present:-

Cllr. Nick Brown (Chairman)

Cllr. Royston Bayliss	Cllr. Tony Deakin	Cllr. Mike Shirley
Cllr. Cheryl Cashmore	Cllr. Alex DeWinter	Cllr. Roger Stead
Cllr. Nick Chapman	Cllr. Richard Holdridge	Cllr. Bev Welsh
Cllr. Adrian Clifford	Cllr. Mark Jackson	Cllr. Jane Wolfe
Cllr. Luke Cousin	Cllr. Tracey Shepherd	Cllr. Neil Wright

Officers present:-

Julia Smith		Chief Executive
Sarah Pennelli	-	Executive Director - S.151 Officer
Louisa Horton	-	Executive Director - Communities and
		Monitoring Officer
Gill Callingham	-	Executive Director
Lisa Boland	-	Transformation Group Manager
Teresa Neal	-	Business, Partnerships and Health
		Improvement Group Manager
Paul Coates	-	Neighbourhood Services & Assets Group
		Manager
Caroline Harbour	-	Environmental Health, Housing, Net Zero &
		Community Services Group Manager
Cat Hartley	-	Planning & Strategic Growth Group Manager
Nick Brown	-	Finance Group Manager
Katie Hollis	-	Accountancy Services Manager
Katie Brooman	-	Elections and Governance Manager
Sandeep Tiensa	-	Senior Democratic Services & Scrutiny
·		Officer
Isaac Thomas	-	Democracy Support Officer
Nicole Cramp	-	Democratic & Scrutiny Services Officer
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Cabinet Executive Members in attendance:-

Cllr Terry Richardson, Cllr. Maggie Wright, Cllr. Nigel Grundy, Cllr. Les Phillimore, Cllr. Ben Taylor.

Apologies:-

Cllr. Roy Denney, Cllr. Shabbir Aslam, Cllr. Lee Breckon JP, Cllr. Stuart Coar, Cllr. Susan Findlay, Cllr. Janet Forey, Cllr. Helen Gambardella, Cllr. Hannah Gill, Cllr. Paul Hartshorn, Cllr. Antony Moseley, Cllr. Ande Savage, Cllr. Dillan Shikotra and Cllr. Matt Tomeo

1. <u>DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST</u>

No disclosures were received.

2. <u>2024/25 DRAFT PORTFOLIO BUDGET PROPOSALS</u>

The Chairman, Cllr. Nick Brown welcomed Members and Officers to the meeting. Lines of questioning for the Portfolio Holders had been drafted and circulated to all Members following the previous meeting on the 10 January 2024.

The Chairman invited each Portfolio Holder to provide a short introduction to their portfolio.

The Chairman invited Members to ask supplementary questions of Portfolio Holders:

- Cllr. Terry Richardson Leader's Portfolio
- Cllr. Maggie Wright Finance, People And Performance Portfolio
- Cllr. Nigel Grundy Neighbourhood Services & Assets Portfolio
- Cllr. Les Phillimore Housing, Community and Environmental Services Portfolio
- Cllr. Ben Taylor Planning Delivery & Enforcement and Corporate Transformation Portfolio

3. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

 24 January 2024 – to formulate Scrutiny's response to the draft budget proposals.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 6.50 P.M.