

Trading Board

Wednesday, 05 August 2015

Attendees: Councillor Kevin Bentley (Member), Councillor Julia Havis (Chairman), Councillor Roger Buston (Member), Councillor Robert Davidson (Group Spokesperson), Councillor Dave Harris (Deputy Chairman), Councillor Andrew Ellis (Member), Councillor Martin Goss (Member)

Substitutes: No substitutes were recorded at the meeting

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RESOLVED that the minutes of the meetings held on 27 May and 17 June 2015 be confirmed as correct records.

72 Work Programme 2015-16

The Board considered a report from the Assistant Chief Executive setting out the draft work programme for the 2015-16 municipal year.

It was explained that the Work programme had been updated since the last meeting by the scheduling of the Essex County Council Waste Minimisation Project for the Board meeting in March 2016.

A request was made for an update to be provided to the next meeting on the likely timescales for bringing the items yet to be scheduled to the Board. Councillor Bentley confirmed his intention to send a substitute to the meeting in March 2016 so that he would be in a position to take part in the presentation of the item in his capacity as Essex County Council Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Economic Growth, Infrastructure, Waste and Recycling. He also went on to request that further consideration be given to the formatting of reports to the Board which would enable more details of the work of the Board to be made available to the public. He was of the view that there may be potential to separate out the commercially sensitive content of the reports on the agenda enabling the principles behind the decisions to be available for the public although he was mindful of the need to avoid duplication of information.

Councillor Smith attended and, with the consent of the Chairman addressed the Board in response to a question regarding progress on the proposal by Colchester Borough Homes to formulate a separate limited company to operate as a stand-alone business arm. He explained that the proposals for a stand-alone company were not being pursued

at the current time but other options to diversify their service delivery were being considered.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) The draft work programme for 2015-16 be noted.
- (b) An update on those items yet to be scheduled be submitted to the next meeting of the Board.

For action by:	Target Date
Democratic Services Officer	September 2015

- (c) Consideration be given to a change in the way items of business are reported to the Board to enable more openness and transparency for the public.

For action by:	Target Date
Head of Commercial services	September 2015

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74 Centralised CBC Events Management Service

The Board resolved under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the public from the meeting for the following item as it involved the disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

Councillors Bentley (in respect of his company being a corporate sponsor of the Mercury Theatre) declared a non-pecuniary interest in the following item pursuant to the provisions of Meetings General Procedure Rule 7(5).

Councillors Buston (in respect of his membership of Destination Colchester and of the charitable organisation known as King Coel's Kittens) declared a non-pecuniary interest in the following item pursuant to the provisions of Meetings General Procedure Rule 7(5).

Councillors Harris (in respect of his membership of Destination Colchester)

declared a non-pecuniary interest in the following item pursuant to the provisions of Meetings General Procedure Rule 7(5).

Councillors Havis (as a Trustee of the Mercury Theatre) declared a non-pecuniary interest in the following item pursuant to the provisions of Meetings General Procedure Rule 7(5).

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75 Commercial Business Development - Helpline

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76 Commercial Business Development - Monitoring/CCTV

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77 Commercial Business Development - Bereavement Services

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78 Commercial Business Development - Procurement Savings

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79 Commercial Income and Performance Report to end of June 2015

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