Trading Board

Wednesday, 28 September 2016

Attendees: Councillor Lewis Barber (Member), Councillor Kevin Bentley

(Member), Councillor Robert Davidson (Group Spokesperson),

Councillor Rosalind Scott (Chairman), Councillor Lesley Scott-Boutell

(Deputy Chairman), Councillor Martyn Warnes (Member)

Substitutes: No substitutes were recorded at the meeting

Also in attendance: Councillor Paul Smith

133 Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 3 August 2016 be confirmed as a correct record.

134 Trading Board Work Programme 2016-17

RESOLVED that the work programme 2016-17 be noted.

135 Commercial Business Development - Operational Businesses

The Board received a report from the Commercial Manager and the Commercial Transition Manager providing an update on the operational businesses.

Members of the Board noted the high number of community weddings that had been hosted at the Town Hall since it had taken over from Colchester Registry Office and sought further details on the provision of weddings for those on low income. Rob Hill, Commercial Transition Manager, confirmed that a package was available which was priced on the cost of the room hire and the hire of the Registrar only. It only recouped the costs with no profit element added. The normal high level of customer service was still provided. Ian Vipond, Strategic Director, stressed that whilst the service was aware of the need to cater for the whole market, the aim of the service was to maximise its income through the sale of high value wedding packages and associated services.

RESOLVED that the contents of the report be noted.

136 Minutes - Part B

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137 Seax Essex Building Control Update

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138 Commercial Business Development - Operational Business Performance and Income report

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