

TRADING BOARD

23 March 2016

Present :- Councillor Julia Havis (Chairman)
Councillors Kevin Bentley, Roger Buston, Andrew Ellis,
Martin Goss, Dave Harris and Justin Knight

Substitute Members:- None

Also Present: - Councillor Bill Frame

113. Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 13 January 2016 be confirmed as a correct record.

114. Annual Report

The Board considered a report from the Strategic Director, Commercial and Place, setting out a draft Annual Report for the Trading Board for the 2015-16 municipal year.

Graham Lewis, Commercial Manager, presented the report and explained that the Annual Report 2015-16 contained reports on each of the individual commercial services and included information about performance against Key Performance Indicators.

The Board welcomed and endorsed the draft Annual Report, but in the course of discussion the following points and suggestions were made:-

- The members of the Board should be listed in the Annual Report;
- The language in the section on the Cemetery and Crematorium should be appropriate and references to “profit” should be amended to something more sensitive;
- The Annual Report should be promoted and publicised effectively. It demonstrated how the Council was acting in a more commercial way to reduce its reliance on public funding. The key messages should be highlighted to local media and it was hoped that the Chairman of the Board in the next municipal year would promote the report when it was considered at Cabinet.

RESOLVED that:-

(a) The format and content of the Annual Report for the 2015/16 municipal year be agreed;

(b) Authority to agree the final wording of the Annual Report 2015/16 be delegated to the Chairman and Group Spokespersons;

(c) Once finalised, the Annual Report 2015/16 be submitted to Cabinet.

115. Work Programme 2015/16

RESOLVED that the work programme for 2015/16 be noted.

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 likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

116. Commercial Business Development – Building Control

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117. Commercial Business Development – Events Management

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118. Commercial Business Development – Operational Businesses and Performance Summary

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119. Thanks

The Chairman noted that this was the last meeting of the Board in the current municipal year and thanked the members of the Board for their positive contributions to the work of the Board and also the officers supporting the work of the Board.