Selby District Council



Minutes

Executive

Venue: Committee Room, Civic Centre, Selby

Date: 9 May 2013

Present: Councillor M Crane (Chair), Mrs G Ivey, C Lunn, J

Mackman and C Metcalfe

Officers present: Chief Executive, Deputy Chief Executive, Director

of Community Services, Executive Director S151

and Democratic Services Manager.

Also Present:

Public: 0 Press: 0

NOTE: Only minute numbers 114, 115 and 116 are subject to call-in arrangements. The deadline for call-in is 5pm on 21 May 2013. Decisions not called in may be implemented on 22 May 2013.

111. Apologies for Absence

No apologies were received.

112. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting on 4 April 2013 were submitted and agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

113. Disclosure of Interest

None were received.

114. Executive Appointments to Outside Bodies

Councillor Crane presented the report which detailed the current representatives on Outside Bodies and asked the Executive to consider these appointments for 2013/14.

The Executive discussed the list of appointments presented and in particular representation on Internal Drainage Boards

Resolved:

To approve the schedule of appointments on outside bodies as amended, attached at appendix A;

Reason for decision:

To ensure the Council is represented on Outside Bodies as necessary in 2013/14.

115. Neighbourhood Plans

Councillor Crane outlined that the Localism Act introduced a new duty on Councils to provide support for communities to draw up neighbourhood plans. The report updated the Executive on the proposals to fulfil this new duty.

Councillor Crane set out the proposal to commission Access Selby to work with one local community on a pilot to assist a community group through the neighbourhood planning process. Following completion of the pilot a review would be undertaken to establish both the costs and resources required to support the process.

The Executive discussed the potential demand from local communities for Neighbourhood Plans and the funding available from the Government. The Executive Director S151 outlined work required from Access Selby at the Designation Stage of the process and the associated grant payment from the Government.

An amendment was moved and seconded which requested the pilot be extended to four Neighbourhood Plans. A vote was taken and the amendment lost.

Resolved:

- i) To note the report;
- ii) To endorses the proposed approach to neighbourhood plans.

Reason for the decision:

To meet the Council's duty to support local communities drawing up neighbourhood plans.

116. Right to Buy Scheme

Councillor Lunn presented the report on the Government's enhanced Right to Buy (RTB) scheme and the arrangements for 'one-for-one' replacement homes. It sought approval to enter into an agreement with the Government to retain the additional capital receipts from RTB sales. The retained capital receipts could be used to fund up to 30% of the cost of replacement homes.

The Executive welcomed the scheme and discussed the potential benefits for the Council in the context of its plans to deliver more affordable housing through both the Housing Revenue Account and the new Housing Trust.

The Executive Director S151 clarified the impact of the scheme on any potential purchase of one the Council's Airey Homes.

Resolved:

To enter into the agreement for the retention of additional right to buy receipts.

Reason for the decision:

To enable the Council to formally enter into the agreement with the Government and retain additional receipts for Quarter 1 of 2013/14 and onwards.

The meeting closed at 4.55 pm