Selby District Council



Minutes

Executive

Venue:	Committee Room, Civic Centre, Selby
Date:	Thursday 6 April 2017
Time:	4pm
Present:	Councillors M Crane (Chair), J Mackman, C Lunn, C Metcalfe and R Musgrave.
Officers present:	Janet Waggott - Chief Executive, Julie Slatter – Director of Corporate Services and Commissioning, Karen Iveson – Chief Finance Officer (s151), Gillian Marshall – Solicitor to the Council, Chris Watson - Policy and Performance Officer, Mike James - Lead Officer, Communications, Janine Jenkinson - Democratic Services Officer.
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NOTE: Only minute number 77 is subject to call-in arrangements. The deadline for call-in is 5pm on Wednesday 19 April 2017. Decisions not called in may be implemented from Thursday 20 April 2017.

74. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

75. MINUTES

The Executive considered the minutes of the meeting held on 2 March 2017.

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RESOLVED:

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 2 March 2017 for signature by the Chair.

76. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest.

77. COUNTER FRAUD STRATEGY AND ASSOCIATED POLICIES

Councillor Cliff Lunn, Lead Councillor for Finance and Resources presented the report which outlined a revised Counter Fraud Strategy, a new Counter Fraud and Corruption Policy, and associated Prosecution Policy, for approval.

Councillor Cliff Lunn explained that the Strategy confirmed the council's commitment to tackling fraud and corruption, and set out actions to strengthen the council's arrangements, in-line with recommended practice. The new Counter Fraud Policy now addressed all forms of fraud that the council might experience.

The Counter Fraud Prosecution Policy, within the Counter Fraud Policy set out the council's approach to taking legal action against perpetrators of fraud, this included prosecutions, cautions and financial penalties.

RESOLVED:

To approve the revised Counter Fraud Strategy for 2017-2019 and new Counter Fraud and Corruption Policy with associated Prosecution Policy.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The current Counter Fraud Strategy, Counter Fraud Policy and Counter Fraud and Corruption Prosecution Policy were out of date and did not cover fraud occurring outside of the benefit arena.

78. GAMBLING POLICY REFRESH

Councillor Richard Musgrave, Lead Executive Member for Housing, Leisure, Health and Culture presented the report which outlined the draft Gambling Policy. The draft Policy brought the service in-line with the latest edition of the Gambling Commission guidance and the Licence Conditions and Codes of Practice.

The Policy and Performance Officer reported that consultation on the draft Policy commenced on 20 January 2017 and had closed on 14 March 2017. Four consultation responses had been

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received, and these were set out in the report; only minor changes to the Policy had been made as a result of the responses.

With regard to the consultation response from Selby Town Council, the Policy and Performance Officer explained that the council did not have the authority to amend the maximum stake bet for Fixed Odds Betting Terminals (FOBTs), and any change would require a change in national legislation. Therefore, the council could not implement the changes requested by Selby Town Council.

RESOLVED:

To recommend that the draft Gambling Policy (Statement of Principles) be approved by Council on 25 April 2017.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

To ensure compliance with the Gambling Act 2005.

The meeting closed at 4.21 pm

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