

**NORTH WARWICKSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SUB-GROUP**

**24 May 2016**

Present: Councillor Hayfield in the Chair

Councillors Farrell, Humphreys, Jenns, Singh and Sweet

**1 Disclosable Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests**

None were declared at the meeting.

**2 Devolution**

The Chief Executive reported on the latest developments in relation to the setting up of the West Midlands Combined Authority and in particular referred to the recent decision by Warwickshire County Council. The Sub-Group was invited to make a recommendation to the Executive Board regarding whether or not to join.

**Recommendation to the Executive Board:**

**That the Executive Board Recommends to the Council that:**

- a North Warwickshire Borough Council becomes a non-Constituent Member of the West Midlands Combined Authority;**
- b The Leader of the Council be nominated as the Borough Council's representative on the West Midlands Combined Authority;**
- c The Leader, Deputy Leader and Chief Executive continue discussions to ensure that the best interests of the Borough are protected and enhanced through non-Constituent Membership;**
- d The Chief Executive be authorised to take any action required to implement this decision;**
- e A supplementary estimate of £25,000 be agreed for the 2016/17 membership and that the membership fee for subsequent years be included as part of the budget making proposals for 2017/18 onwards; and**
- f That a report be taken to the Special Sub-Group regarding the projects to be pursued through the West Midlands Combined Authority.**

**3 Exclusion of the Public and Press**

**Resolved:**

**That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12A to the Act.**

**4 Staff Structure Review – Leisure and Community Development Division**

The Assistant Director (Leisure and Community Development) reported on proposed changes to the staff structure within part of the Leisure and Community Development Division and the Sub-Group was asked to agree a suggested course of action.

**Resolved:**

**That the proposals for revising the staff structure within the Leisure and Community Development Division, as set out in the report of the Assistant Director (Leisure and Community Development), be endorsed and implemented at the earliest opportunity and that any future consideration of the staff structure within the Leisure Facilities Section be deferred until after the Community and Environment Board's consideration of the external strategic review of the services provided through the Division.**

C Hayfield  
Chairman