

NORTH WARWICKSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SUB-GROUP

15 July 2013

Present: Councillor Sweet in the Chair

Councillors Morson, Phillips and Smith

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Hayfield and Councillor M Stanley (substitute Councillor Morson)

Councillors Barber, Humphreys and Moore were also in attendance.

1 **Disclosable Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interest**

None were declared at the meeting.

2 **Progress Report on Human Resources Issues**

The Assistant Director (Finance and Human Resources) reported on progress against the Human Resources Strategy Action Plan, work being done by the Human Resources team, the sickness levels for the period of April 2012 to March 2013 and provided some further information on action taken in managing absence.

Resolved:

That the report be noted.

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 items of business on the grounds that they involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12A to the Act.

4 **Accommodation Project**

The Assistant Director (Streetscape) reported on the latest financial position including the current target cost against budget and Members were asked to agree to the commencement of the construction phase of the project subject to the final target cost being brought in within the agreed construction budget. The Sub-Group was also informed of further design and feasibility work which had been undertaken in respect of the provision of photovoltaic panels within the scheme.

Members were also asked to consider expanding Coventry City Council's remit to cover the Clerk of Works role in line with their original tender submission.

Resolved

a) That the additional design and feasibility work undertaken in respect of the provision of photovoltaic panels within the scheme be noted;

b) That the provision of the photovoltaic panels be excluded from the final works on the grounds of cost and the project budget reduced accordingly;

c) That the commencement of the construction phase of the works subject to the final target cost being agreed at £1,878,707 or less be approved;

d) That Coventry City Council's remit be expanded to cover the Clerk of Works role in line with their original tender submission; and

e) That any further reductions in the current target cost be included in the contingency provision within the overall budget of £2,172,000.

Chairman