# NORTH WARWICKSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

# MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

27 January 2014

Present: Councillor M Stanley in the Chair

Councillors Butcher, Hayfield, Humphreys, Moore, Phillips, Smith and Sweet

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Morson (Substitute Councillor Butcher).

Councillors Barber, Forwood, Lewis, Pickard and May were also in attendance.

# 60 Declarations of Personal or Prejudicial Interest

None were declared at the meeting.

# 61 Coventry and Warwickshire City Deal

The Chief Executive reported on the progress of the Coventry and Warwickshire City Deal.

#### Recommended:

- a That the report be noted;
- b That the City Deal document be approved; and
- That the Coventry and Warwickshire Joint Committee be a standing item on Special Sub-Group agendas and that the Special Sub-Group be given delegated authority to comment on and, where appropriate, approve actions, including financial issues, which fall within the remit of the Joint Committee or relate to City Deal and/or other business with the Coventry and Warwickshire LEP.

#### 62 Local Government Structures

The Chief Executive reported on issues raised by Warwickshire County Council in respect of local government structures in Warwickshire and the Board was asked to consider a way forward.

#### Recommended:

That no discussions regarding the future of local government structures in the County, particularly in relation to Unitary Status, be entered into by this Authority at this time.

### 63 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 involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12A to the Act.

### 64 **HS2**

The Assistant Chief Executive and Solicitor to the Council sought Members' views on the issue of petitioning during Parliamentary consideration of the HS2 hybrid bill.

#### Recommended:

- a That Council is minded to become a petitioning authority;
- b That the statutory advertisements detailed in the reports be placed;
- c That the Council works jointly with Warwickshire County Council and will not be separately represented at hearings to consider the HS2 hybrid bill; and
- d That Full Council considers the matter further at its meeting on 26 February 2014.

# 65 Core Strategy Examination

The Assistant Chief Executive and Solicitor to the Council reported on the Core Strategy Inquiry held earlier the month. Members were asked to consider a number of issues arising from the Inquiry.

# Recommended:

That the report be noted.

M Stanley Chairman