

## NORTH WARWICKSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE RESOURCES BOARD

24 May 2010

Present: Councillor Smith in the Chair

Councillors Bowden, Butcher, N Dirveiks, Fowler, Fox, Johnston, Lea, Moore, Payne, Smitten, Y Stanley and Winter.

Councillors B Moss and Phillips were also in attendance. With the consent of the Chairman Councillor B Moss spoke on Minute No 9 (Computer Server Room Location) and Minute No 10 (Limes Developments).

#### 1 **Declarations of Personal or Prejudicial Interests**

Any personal interests arising from the membership of Warwickshire County Council of Councillors Fowler and Lea, and membership of various Parish Councils of Councillors Butcher, Smitten and Y Stanley (Polesworth), Fox (Shustoke) and Moore (Baddesley Ensor) were deemed to be declared at the meeting.

#### 2 **Street Naming and Numbering – Introduction of Charges**

The Assistant Director (Corporate Services) sought approval to introduce charges for the processing of requests submitted to the Street Naming and Numbering service provided by the Authority.

**Resolved:**

**That the introduction of charges for the Street Naming and Numbering service and the scale of charges identified in Section 5.1.1 of the report of the Assistant Director (Corporate Services) be approved.**

#### 3 **Housing Finance Reform**

The Director of Resources summarised the Government's latest consultation document setting out detailed plans for reforming council housing finance and identified the initial implications for North Warwickshire and the further work that would need to be done around the proposals.

**Resolved:**

**a That the proposals relating to Housing Finance Reform be noted;**

- b That a Members' Seminar be held on Tuesday, 15 June 2010 on the proposals; and**
- c That a detailed response be considered by the Executive Board and Full Council on 28 June 2010.**

**4 Members' Allowances Out-turn for 2009/10**

The Assistant Director (Finance and Human Resources) advised Members of the allowances paid for 2009/10, which the Council had a duty to publish under the Members' Allowance Scheme.

**Resolved:**

**That the report be noted.**

**5 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 by Schedule 12A to the Act.**

**6 Progress Report – Housing Direct Works**

The Assistant Director (Housing) provided the Board with information about the improvements which had been made to the Housing Direct Works service and proposed a change to the current staffing structure.

**Resolved:**

- a That the progress made to improve the Housing Direct Works Service be noted; and**
- b That the change to the Maintenance Administrative Section be agreed.**

**7 Community Support Control Centre Supervisor Post**

The Assistant Director (Housing) reported that the post of Community Support Control Centre System Support Officer was currently vacant and outlined a proposal to amend the job description for that post in order to improve the structure and resilience of the Community Support Section.

**Resolved:**

**That the job description for the new role of Community Support Control Supervisor be approved.**

**8 Proposed Replacement of EHO Post with Food Safety Officer**

The Assistant Chief Executive asked Members to consider a cost saving solution to fill a vacant post in the Environmental Health section.

**Resolved:**

**That the proposal to replace an EHO post with a Food Safety Officer be trialled for a period of one year, and made permanent if successful, subject to a further report to the Board.**

**9 Computer Server Room Location**

The Assistant Director (Corporate Services) put forward a number of options for the location of the Council's computer servers which were currently situated in the server room on the ground floor of the Council House.

**Resolved:**

**a That working with Warwick District Council to investigate options to collaborate on ICT projects be supported, providing there is a positive business case for each project and funding is available within existing Information Services budgets; and**

**b That further information be obtained pertaining to Option 4 of the proposal.**

**10 Limes Developments**

The Assistant Director (Streetscape) sought approval to extend the long stop date agreed between the Council and Limes Development until the end of the current financial year, in respect of the sale of Park Road Car Park, Coleshill.

**Resolved:**

**That the long stop date agreed between the Council and Limes Development be extended until 30 March 2011.**

L Smith  
Chairman