EXECUTIVE

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON 15 MAY 2008

Councillors:Barbara Alexander (P),Pamela Bale (P),Geoff Findlay (P),Graham Jones (P),Alan Law (P),Joe Mooney (P),Graham Pask (P),Anthony Stansfeld (P), Emma Webster (P), Laszlo Zverko (P)Graham Pask (P),

Also present: Councillors Jeff Beck, Paul Bryant, Roger Hunneman, Carol Jackson-Doerge, Royce Longton, Gwen Mason, David Rendel, Julian Swift-Hook, Quentin Webb, Keith Woodhams

PART I

1. APOLOGIES.

There were no apologies for absence received.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

There were no declarations of interest received.

3. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC.

RESOLVED that members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the under-mentioned item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as contained in Paragraphs(s) 3 and 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information)(Variation) Order 2006. Rule 4.2 of the Constitution also refers.

PART II

4. PARKWAY VARIATION.

(Paragraph 3 - Information relating to the Financial/ Business Affairs of a particular person;

Paragraph 5 - Information relating to legal privilege)

The Executive considered an exempt report (Agenda Item 4) concerning negotiations with Standard Life Investments Limited (SLI) with regard to potential variations to the Project Agreement in respect of the Parkway Development and to seek authority to make appropriate amendments where necessary. The report also sought to advise the Executive about the decision of the Western Area Planning Committee made on the 30 April 2008.

Councillor Pamela Bale thanked Councillors Webster and Jones, the Chief Executive and Officers for the efforts they had put in to getting the project to this stage. Councillor Webster thanked the Members of the Newbury Town Centre Task Group for the cross party effort that had been put into delivering a project for the community. Councillor Julian Swift-Hook thanked Councillor Roger Hunneman for the contribution he had made to the scheme over several years and this sentiment was echoed by Councillor Jones.

Nick Carter stated that there was a more detailed schedule behind the figures that had been set out in Appendix B and he agreed that he would make this schedule available to Councillor Rendel outside of the meeting.

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Members discussed the paper before them and agreed to the recommendations as set out in the report.

RESOLVED that the recommendations as set out in the exempt report be agreed.

(The meeting commenced at 5.00pm and closed at 5.51pm)

CHAIRMAN

Date of Signature: