EXECUTIVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON

THURSDAY, 25 MAY 2017

Councillors Present: Dominic Boeck, Anthony Chadley, Hilary Cole, Lynne Doherty and Graham Jones

Also Present: Colin Batchelor (Superfast Berkshire Project Manager), Nick Carter (Chief Executive), Kevin Griffin (Head of ICT & Corporate Support), Peta Stoddart-Crompton (Public Relations Officer), Moira Fraser (Democratic and Electoral Services Manager), Councillor Mollie Lock (Shadow Executive Portfolio: Education, Children's Services, Adult Social Care, Health & Wellbeing), Councillor Alan Macro (Shadow Executive Portfolio: Planning, Housing, Countryside, Waste, Strategic Support, Culture, Eastern Area Vision, ICT & Corporate Support, Emergency Planning, Environmental Health, Trading Standards, Legal, Customer Services, Community Safety) and Gabrielle Mancini (Group Executive - Conservatives)

Apologies for inability to attend the meeting: Councillor Keith Chopping, Councillor Jeanette Clifford, Councillor Marcus Franks, Councillor James Fredrickson and Councillor Rick Jones

PART I

1. Declarations of Interest

While apologies for absence had been received from Councillor James Fredrickson, it should be noted that, if present, he would have needed to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest in agenda item 4 by virtue of the nature of his employment and he could not have remained in the meeting to participate in the discussion and could not have voted on the item.

2. 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 Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the <u>Local Government (Access to Information)(Variation) Order 2006</u>. <u>Rule 8.10.4 of the Constitution also refers</u>.

3. Superfast Berkshire Phase 3 Procurement

(Paragraph 3 – information relating to financial/business affairs of particular person)

The Executive considered an exempt report (Agenda Item 4) which updated the Executive on the outcome of the Superfast Berkshire Phase 3 procurement exercise it approved in July 2017; which recommended the approval of two new contracts to allow Phase 3 of the project to commence, this would increase Berkshire's superfast broadband coverage to nearly 100% by 2019; and which requested delegated authority to sign contracts and run the Superfast Berkshire project in its extended scope.

RESOLVED that the recommendations in the exempt report be agreed.

Reason for the decision: as outlined in the exempt report.

Other options considered: as outlined in the exempt report.

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