

GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 29 APRIL 2013

Councillors Present: Jeff Beck (Chairman), Tony Vickers and Quentin Webb

Also Present: Andy Day (Head of Strategic Support)

Apologies for inability to attend the meeting: Councillor Tony Linden

Councillors Absent: Councillor Paul Bryant, Councillor David Holtby and Councillor Julian Swift-Hook

PART I

29. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 11 February 2013 were approved as a true and correct record and signed by the Chairman.

30. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest received.

31. Public Health - Scheme of Delegation (C2651)

The Committee considered a report (Agenda Item 4) concerning proposals to amend the Council's Scheme of Delegation (Part 3 of the Constitution) to reflect the new Public Health duties placed on the Council in accordance with the Health and Social Care Act 2012.

Andy Day reported that the proposed roles and responsibilities were as set out in the Health and Social Care Act 2012 and would be carried out by the Director of Public Health (based in Bracknell Forest Borough Council) supported by the six Consultants in Public Health, one located in each unitary authority.

Councillor Tony Vickers referred to the Health and Wellbeing Board and questioned whether the constitution would be amended to reflect the Board's role and responsibilities. Andy Day reported that the Executive Rules of Procedure would need to be amended to reflect the existence of the Health and Wellbeing Board, particularly as this was a Sub-Committee of the Executive.

RESOLVED that Council be requested to approve changes to the Scheme of Delegation to reflect the Council's duties in relation to Public Health.

32. Amendment to the Constitution - Part 7 Speaking Rights at Planning Meetings (C2641)

The Committee considered a report (Agenda Item 5) concerning proposals to amend speaking rights for adjoining Parish Councils at Planning Committee meetings.

The Committee questioned whether an adjoining Parish Council was permitted to address the Committee and whether these speaking rights would be extended to Ward Members. Andy Day reported that the current speaking rights covered off this point on the basis that they permitted Ward members to speak.

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RESOLVED that: the amendments to the Regulatory and Other Committee Rules of Procedure (Paragraphs 7.13.3 and 7.13.4) be recommended to Council for approval.

(The meeting commenced at 6.00pm and closed at 6.20 pm)

CHAIRMAN

Date of Signature