

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Meeting: Wednesday, 11th January, 2023  
at 2.00 pm.

Present: Councillors Brook (Chairman), Biggins, Hamilton, McClure, Maddox, Morgan, Pemberton, Roberts and Wall.

Officers Present: David Parr (Chief Executive), Sue Roberts (Director of Resources), Debbie Storr (Head of Legal and Governance), Graham Barker (Head of Public Protection) (Minute No. 94 only) and Jon Huck (Democratic and Electoral Services Manager).

### **87 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Barlow, Burley and Shirley.

### **88 The Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 and Access to Information (Variation) Order 2006**

Discussion arising hereon it was: -

RESOLVED:- That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 2 and 4 (Minute No. 94) of Part One of Schedule 12A of the said Act.

### **89 Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 14th December, 2022 were agreed as a correct record.

### **90 Public Participation**

RESOLVED:- To note that no questions, representations, deputations or petitions had been received in respect of the meeting.

### **91 Council Finances Quarter 2 2022-2023**

The Director of Resources presented a summary of the General Fund core revenue budget at 30th September, 2022 and commented on other aspects of Council finance.

It was moved by Councillor Hamilton and seconded by Councillor Roberts, and

RESOLVED:-

1. To note the General Fund financial monitoring at 30th September, 2022;
2. To note the use of reserves at paragraph 3.4;
3. To agree the revisions to the Capital Programme at paragraph 3.13;

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4. To note the improved external interest earned on temporary investments at paragraph 3.15;
5. To agree that the Waste Service budget is increased as set out in paragraph 3.20;
6. To note the procurement exemptions required to establish the Waste Service at paragraph 3.22;
7. To note the Medium Term Financial Plan 2023-2024 revision; and
8. To note the completion of the Energy Rebate payments.

## **92 Risk Management**

The Director of Resources reported that's the Council's Risk Management arrangements were currently under review with expert support engaged. The Risk Management Policy would be reviewed and revised if required; the risk registers risk would be reviewed and revised to align with best practice and incorporated reference to major programmes. The risk registers remained live during the review.

It was moved by Councillor Hamilton and seconded by Councillor Morgan, and

RESOLVED:- To note the report.

## **93 Memorial Bench Policy**

The Cemeteries and Crematorium Manager's report requested the Committee to agree to a revised Memorial Bench Policy for Council owned Cemeteries and other land owned by the Council. That would replace the existing guidelines for the installation of memorial seats in the Borough which had been agreed by this Committee on 10th November 2021.

It was moved by Councillor Hamilton and seconded by Councillor Maddox, and

RESOLVED:- To agree the Memorial Bench Policy for all Barrow Borough Council public and open space and cemeteries as attached to the report.

## **Local Government Act 1972 - Excluded Items**

It was moved by Councillor Roberts and seconded by Councillor Wall that the meeting moved into Part Two, and

RESOLVED:- That the items to be taken in Part Two of the Agenda be dealt with following the exclusion of the press and the public.

## **94 Options for Future Stray Dog Provision**

The Head of Public Protection presented a further report on Options for Future Stray Dog Provision. The item had been deferred at the previous meeting to provide Members with further information.

Preference would be given to those providers who were able to deliver the kennelling and rehoming service locally.

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It was moved by Councillor Roberts and seconded by Councillor Maddox, and

RESOLVED: -

1. To instruct Officers to undertake a competitive tendering process with private boarding kennels, to deliver a kennelling and rehoming service only for the stray dog service;
2. To agree that delegated authority be given to the Director of People and Place in consultation with the Chair of Executive Committee and the Director of Resources to enter into a contract agreement, if successful; and
3. To agree not to increase the fees and charges.

The meeting closed at 2.45 pm.