

HAVANT BOROUGH COUNCIL

At a meeting of the Business and Commercial Services Board held on 22 July 2019

Present

Councillor Robinson (Chairman)

Councillors Branson, Briggs, Davis, Francis, Rennie, Sceal, Scott and Weeks

Other Councillors Present:

Councillor(s): Lloyd, Pike, Smith K and Wilson

12 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Thain-Smith.

13 Declarations of Interests

There were no declarations of interests relating to matters on the agenda.

14 Exclusion of Press and Public

RESOLVED that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the minutes headed and numbered as below because:

it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the public were present during those minutes there would be disclosure to them of exempt information of the descriptions specified in paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A (as amended) of the Local Government Act 1972 shown against the heading in question; and

in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

Minute 15 – Environmental Services
(Paragraph 3)

15 Environmental Services

The Board received presentations from the Head of Strategic Commissioning and the Norse South East (NSE) Group Director of Operations on the arrangements made for the delegation of environmental services from East Hampshire District Council to this Council.

The Board received prior to the meeting:

- (a) a copy of the exempt report and appendices to be submitted to Cabinet on 29 July 2019; and

- (b) the answers to questions submitted to the Officers.

The Cabinet Lead for Contracts and Commercial Services, the Head of Strategic Commissioning, and the Strategic Procurement Manager and the NSE Group Director of Operations were invited to join the meeting and answer questions from the members relating to:

- (i) the risks and benefits of the delegation of the services to the Council;
- (ii) the plans/options in place to alleviate the risks identified in (i) above;
- (ii) proposed improvements to HBC's services;
- (iii) cross border services;
- (iv) the transfer of staff from existing contractors; and
- (v) the accounting systems that would be in place for both Councils

(The NSE Group Director of Operations left the meeting)

- (vi) the financial and legal implications of the plans/options identified in (ii) above.

RESOLVED that having considered Item 13 of the agenda and having undertaken a pre-scrutiny and noting the submissions made by Cabinet Lead attending to consider any recommendations of the Board:

- (a) the proposals be endorsed;
- (b) the Board would not call in or scrutinise for a second time the decision to be made by Cabinet on this matter at its meeting to be held on 29 July 2019, in accordance with Standing Order 85(6) and (7); and
- (c) a scrutiny be held to consider alternative arrangements, if the Council cannot implement the preferred option.

The meeting commenced at 5.00 pm and concluded at 6.15 pm