
MINUTES

Meeting: **Audit Resources & Performance Committee**

Date: Friday 3 November 2017 at 10.00 am

Venue: The Board Room, Aldern House, Baslow Road, Bakewell

Chair: Cllr A McCloy

Present: Cllr F J Walton, Cllr J Atkin, Mrs F Beatty, Mr J W Berresford,
Cllr A R Favell, Cllr C Furness, Mr Z Hamid, Cllr Mrs G Heath,
Cllr C McLaren and Cllr B Woods

Cllr Mrs L C Roberts, Mr P Ancell and Cllr D Chapman
attended to observe and speak but not vote.

Apologies for absence: Mrs P Anderson, Cllr J Perkins, Cllr Mrs N Turner and Cllr D Birkinshaw.

46/17 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING 15/09/2017

The minutes of the last meeting of the Audit, Resources and Performance Committee held on 15 September 2017 were approved as a correct record.

47/17 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public had registered to speak at this meeting.

48/17 MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were not declarations of interest by members.

49/17 2017-18 Q2 PERFORMANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT REPORT

Comments had been received by email from Member Penny Anderson and were considered during the discussion of this item.

The Head of Strategy & Performance introduced the report and highlighted the change to Appendix 1, a new version of which had been electronically circulated to Members prior to the meeting and paper copies tabled at the meeting.

Members discussed each Directional Shift and Cornerstone and sought clarification on some areas of the report including clarification on income figures, donations, which were down when compared to last year, and how legacies were recorded in the budget. The Head of Finance explained that where applicable legacies are ring fenced in line with the wishes of the donor where a preference is specified.

Members considered the proportion of planning appeals allowed noting the percentage figure was higher than the target because of the low number of appeal decisions and that the Director of Conservation and Planning was closely monitoring the target but to date an analysis of the decisions had not given rise to any significant concerns about challenges to policy.

Members considered the high number of Enforcement Enquires per year which is increasing, no specific reason had been identified for the increase but it was noted that not all enquires result in an Enforcement Case. A quarterly report is provided to Planning Committee for the purpose of monitoring enforcement performance.

The Officer recommendation was moved, seconded, put to the vote and carried.

RESOLVED:

1. **To note the Quarter 2 Corporate Performance Return, set out in Appendix 1 and approve actions to address any issues identified.**
2. **To note the review of the Quarter 2 Corporate Risk Register given in Appendix 2 and accept the status of risks.**
3. **To note the status of Quarter 2 Complaints and Freedom of Information/ Environmental Information Regulations requests given in Appendix 3.**

50/17 MINOR PROPERTY REVIEW

Comments had been received by email from Member Penny Anderson and were considered during the discussion of this item.

The committee considered the report setting out the proposal for the disposal of minor properties. Clarification was sought for the term 'Minor' and if this was the best term to use to describe the properties listed, Officers explained this is a generic term which is the best collective name but not a reflection of the significance of the properties.

Members sought assurance that a communications plan be put in place and that the properties would only be sold to those who would maintain them to the same standard as that set by the Authority. Officers confirmed that the prospective buyers would be carefully selected.

The Officer recommendation was moved.

Members sought clarification on the risk rating of the report and this was clarified as based on business and income implications.

Members discussed the properties where Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) had been obtained to make improvements and Officers confirmed the money from the HLF would need to be repaid if the property is sold.

The officer recommendation was seconded, put to the vote and carried subject to the stated amendments to the recommendations.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the decision-making and disposal regarding those properties with a low to medium risk, highlighted yellow in Appendix 1, including approval of any possible undervalue arising from a disposable process, be delegated to the Resource Management Meeting in consultation with the Head of Law, Corporate Property Officer and Chair and Vice Chair of Audit Resource & Performance Committee.**
- 2. That the high risk properties highlighted green in Appendix 1, are included in the Asset Management Plan Review.**

51/17 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DUE DILIGENCE PANEL

Members considered the report setting out the details of the meetings of the panel to look at suitability of proposed partnerships.

RESOLVED:

- 1. To note the items considered and decided on by the Due Diligence Panel over the last 12 months.**

52/17 PROPOSED ACCEPTANCE OF THE LEGACY OF LOWER GREENHOUSE FARM, CALTON, STAFFORDSHIRE

Members considered the report setting out the details of the legacy and the Head of Law clarified that it was subject to the payment of any inheritance and other taxes attributable to the property.

The officer recommendation was moved, seconded, put to the vote and carried.

RESOLVED:

- 1. To accept the legacy from the executors once all the administration of the Estate is complete.**
- 2. Following transfer of the property to the Authority an options appraisal is completed with recommendations for consideration by a future meeting of the Audit, Resources & Performance Committee.**

ITEMS FOR NO DISCUSSION

54/17 EXTERNAL AUDIT (KPMG) 2016/17 ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER (A1362/DH)

RESOLVED:

- 1. That following consideration the receipt of the 2016/17 Annual Audit Letter be acknowledged.**

The meeting ended at 11.30 am