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### **MINUTES**

Meeting: Audit Resources & Performance Committee

Date: Friday 23 January 2015 at 10.00 am

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

Chair: Cllr A McCloy

Present: Cllr C Furness, Mr P Ancell, Mrs F Beatty, Cllr D Birkinshaw, Mr Z Hamid,

Cllr Mrs G Heath, Ms S Leckie, Cllr S Marshall-Clarke, Cllr C McLaren, Mr G Nickolds, Clr Mrs L C Roberts, Mrs E Sayer and Cllr D Williams

Apologies for absence: Cllr G Claff, Cllr A R Favell, Cllr D Greenhalgh, Mr R Helliwell and

Cllr Mrs N Turner

### 1/15 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair welcomed Cllr C McLaren to his first meeting of the Committee since being reappointed to the Authority by Oldham Council.

# 2/15 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting of the Audit, Resources and Performance Committee held on 7 November 2014 were approved as a correct record.

# 3/15 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Five members of the public were present to make representations to the Committee.

#### 4/15 MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest..

# 5/15 MOORS FOR THE FUTURE OPERATIONAL PLAN 2015 - 2016 (SLD/CD)

Chris Dean, Programme Manager - Moors for the Future, introduced the report and operational plan, highlighting the achievements of the team and ambitions for 2015/16 and beyond. It was noted that there was no news on the recent Moorlife bid but to assist staff retention it was hoped that a decision would be made before 1 April 2015.

On behalf of all Members the Chair of the Authority congratulated Chris and the officers supporting the programme on the achievements over the past 11 years. As Geoff Nickolds, Chair of the Moors for the Future Partnership, would be leaving the Authority at the end of March, the Committee expressed their thanks to Geoff for his significant contributions.

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

#### **RESOLVED**

To support the Operational Plan and recommend it to the Moors for the Future Partnership's Strategic Management Group for approval.

# 6/15 2014/15 QUARTER 3 REPORT ON RISK AND PERFORMANCE (A9194/WA)

The officer recommendations were moved, seconded, put to the vote and carried.

### **RESOLVED**

- 1. To agree the Quarter 3 Corporate Performance Return, and any remedial action, as set out in Appendix 1.
- 2. To note the corporate risk register summary given in Appendix 2 and accept the status of risks, including the lowering of risk status of risks 4, 8, 9 and 10.
- 3. To note the status of complaints and Freedom of Information Requests, given in Appendix 3.

## 7/15 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT OFFICER (HR POST FILE/ RMM)

It was noted that this matter had been brought to the Committee as it was not delegated to officers.

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

## **RESOLVED:**

To approve the post of Environmental Management Officer as a permanent post on the staff establishment for 30 hours per week at grade G and disestablish the post of Property Technician at grade F for 15 hours per week from 1 April 2015.

### 8/15 NORTH LEES CAMPSITE

Before inviting officers to introduce the item the Chair reminded Members of the recommendations of the DTZ report and the Authority's need to make sure that the estate did not operate at a loss.

In introducing the report the Assistant Director of Enterprise and Field Services introduced Rebekah Newman following her recent appointment as Property Manager (North Lees). During the discussion Rebekka confirmed that in September the Committee would be considering a Business Plan for the estate which would be developed, in consultation with stakeholders, reflecting the decisions made at this meeting.

The following spoke under the public participation at meetings scheme:

- Cllr Jackie Bevan, District Councillor for Hathersage and Chair of the Stanage Forum
- Mrs Jean Hodgkinson
- Mrs Lesley Edmonds
- Mr Henry Folkard, British Mountaineering Council
- Mr James Summerlin, speaking on behalf of a group of concerned residents.

During the part A discussion members considered and debated the merits of the options set out in the report.

Before moving on to Part B discussions the Chair thanked the speakers for their contrubtions.

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

### **RESOLVED:**

To note the contributions of the public speakers and part A discussion on the options for the future management of North Lees campsite and make a decision about the preferred option after consideration of the exempt information set out in the Part B report.

## 9/15 EXEMPT INFORMATION S100(A) LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

#### **RESOLVED:**

That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of Agenda Item Nos. 12 and 13 to avoid the disclosure of Exempt Information under S100 (A)(4) Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A, Paragraph 1 "Information relating to any individual" and Paragraph 3 "Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)."

## **PART B**

#### **SUMMARY**

The Committee determined the following items and full details are contained in the exempt minutes:

- Approval of the Part B minutes of the meeting held on 7 November 2014.
- North Lees Campsite

The meeting ended at 1.00 pm