EAST STAFFORDSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Scrutiny (Promoting Local Economic Growth) Committee held in the Coltman VC Room, Town Hall, Burton upon Trent on Thursday 17th March 2016.

Present:

Councillors D Goodfellow (Vice-Chairman in the Chair), Ms S Andjelkovic, R A Faulkner, A Johnson, Mrs J A Killoran, J H Mott and M Rodgers.

Also Present:

Councillor R G W Grosvenor.

Officers Present:

The Chief Executive (Andy O'Brien), the Head of Service (Paul Costiff), the Programmes and Transformation Team Leader (James Abbott) and the E-Communications Officer (Daniel Arnold).

An apology for absence was received from Councillor S Gaskin.

35/16 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest at the commencement of the meeting.

36/16 URGENT BUSINESS

There was no urgent business submitted to the meeting pursuant to Rule 12.

37/16 **MINUTES**

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd December 2015 be agreed and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

38/16 GREATER BIRMINGHAM AND SOLIHULL LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP (GBSLEP) REVIEW

Councillors considered the draft report and associated appendices which had been circulated with the agenda for the meeting.

Resolved:

- (1) That further information around business formation rates is added to the report for further discussion by the Committee.
- (2) That the recommendation be added to the report: "That the Committee maintains a watching brief over the benefits received from the Council's membership of the GBSLEP with future updates to be brought to the Committee".

39/16 BURTON RAILWAY STATION

Councillors received an update from the Programmes and Transformation Team Leader on the progress with the review.

Resolved:

- (1) That representatives of East Midlands Trains and the National Forest be invited to the next meeting of the Committee.
- (2) That prior to the next meeting a copy of the East Midlands Trains' improvement plan be obtained and circulated to the Committee.
- (3) That prior to the next meeting the members of the Committee provide a list of discussion points to be circulated to East Midlands Trains in advance.

40/16 CORPORATE PERFORMANCE REPORT 2015/16 – QUARTER 3

Members considered the Quarterly Performance Report - Quarter 3. The following appendices had been circulated with the report - Appendix 1 - comprehensive data on all Corporate Plan indicators; Appendix 2 - comprehensive data on the benchmarking exercise undertaken.

An opportunity for questions followed.

NOTED

41/16 OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS – REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Councillors considered the reports from Councillors on their representation on outside organisations. It was noted that no report had been received from Councillor S Gaskin. The Chief Executive clarified the content of the report received from Councillor D Fletcher due to some factual inaccuracies.

NOTED

42/16 **EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORDS**

Councillors received, for information, a list of Executive Decision Records.

An opportunity for questions followed.

NOTED

43/16 **QUESTIONS**

No questions had been submitted prior to the meeting for answer by the Leader, Deputy Leader or Officer of the Council.

44/16 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Resolved:

That the next meeting take place on 16th June 2016 at 6.30pm in the Coltman VC Room at the Town Hall, Burton upon Trent.

45/16 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Resolved:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972 the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

46/16 **PRIVATE MINUTE**

Resolved:

That the private minute of the meeting held on 22nd December 2015 be agreed and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

Chairman