

# AUDIT AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 20 May 2003 at the Town Hall, Royal Leamington Spa at 7.00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Councillors Mrs Blacklock, Caborn, Gill, Kirton, Mrs Knight, Pratt, Mrs Sawdon, Shilton and Smith.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Councillor Crowther (Portfolio Holder for Corporate and Strategic Leadership), and

Councillor Gifford.

(Councillor Shilton substituted for Councillor Davis).

## 39. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Caborn be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

## 40. MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings held on 4 March and 1 April 2003, having been printed and circulated, were taken as read and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

## 41. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

## 42. EXECUTIVE MEETING - MONDAY, 7 APRIL 2003

The Committee received a report from the Chairman on the meeting of the Executive held on Monday 7 April 2003.

The minutes of the meeting of the Executive held on Monday, 7 April 2003 which came within the remit of the Committee was submitted for information and scrutiny.

**RECOMMENDED** that the Chairman's report and the minutes be noted.

## **AUDIT AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (Continued)**

### **43. EXECUTIVE AGENDA - (NON-CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS AND REPORTS)**

The Committee considered the items which would be discussed at the meeting of the Executive on Tuesday, 27 May 2003 which came within their remit. As a result the following comments were made for forwarding to the Executive:-

#### **Agenda Item Number 8 - Refurbishment of Edmondscote Athletics Track**

The Committee recommended that the Executive should proceed with the installation of an additional lane and 10 lane straight at an additional cost of £130,000. They also supported the first option for the track refurbishment and would like to see the £45,000 go back into the general capital programme. A further report should also be submitted to the Executive on the implications of the contract.

#### **Agenda Item Number 10 - Best Value Performance Plan**

The Committee noted the time scale and supported the recommendations in principal, subject to a qualifying report being submitted to a future meeting containing more detail on the targets.

#### **Agenda Item Number 12 - Management of The Royal Priors Car Park, Leamington Spa - Tenancy Agreement**

The Committee were not able to comment on the recommendation as there was no copy of the agreement or full financial figures. The Committee would like the Executive to receive these documents before they make a decision. The Committee also expressed concern that the Council did not include unachievable targets within its BVPP as these would be used for the CPA review.

#### **Agenda Item Number 13 - Court Street Car Park, Leamington Old Town**

The Committee supported the recommendations in the report and would like the consultants fees to be capped at £10,000.

### **44. PUBLIC AND PRESS**

**RESOLVED** that under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items by reason of the likely disclosure of exempt information within paragraphs 7 and 8 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

## **AUDIT AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (Continued)**

### **45. EXECUTIVE AGENDA (CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS AND REPORTS)**

The Committee considered the items which would be discussed at the meeting of the Executive on Tuesday, 27 May 2003, which came within their remit. As a result the following comments were made for forwarding to the Executive:-

#### **Agenda Item Number 19 - Operation Of Talisman Square Car Park, Kenilworth**

The Committee supported the recommendation in the report.

#### **Agenda Item Number 20 - Cultural Quarter Proposal, Spencer Yard, Leamington Spa**

The Committee supported the recommendations in the report and would like the Executive to receive the revised scheme and business plan at their July meeting at the very latest.

(The meeting ended at 8.00 p.m.)