

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 25 March 2014 at the Town Hall, Royal Leamington Spa at 7.00 pm.

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs Blacklock (Chairman); Councillors Boad, Mrs Bromley, Ms Dean, Edwards, Mrs Gallagher, Illingworth, Kinson and Weed.

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Wreford-Bush (observing only).

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Copping, Mrs Falp and Guest.

Due to the fact that the joint presentation to both the Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee and the Overview & Scrutiny Committee held prior to this meeting overran, prior commitments meant that Councillors Brookes, Gifford, and Mrs Higgins were unable to remain.

123. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

124. **PETITION AGAINST THE HIGH SPEED RAIL (LONDON-WEST MIDLANDS) BILL**

This was an item added to the Executive agenda after the Overview and Scrutiny Committee agenda was published. Members pointed out that it was not a confidential report, but there were no public or Press present at the meeting anyway.

Immediately prior to this meeting, Members had received a presentation from the Council's representative on 51M, Councillor Illingworth and the Development Manager on where the HS2 line would cut through the District and the need to petition for mitigation to reduce the impact on all those affected.

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee agreed with both recommendations in the report in principle and recommended to the Executive that the Council's representative on 51M was included in the named parties given delegated authority in recommendation 2.2 of the report. It also recommended that all councillors saw the final petition before it was submitted.

125. **PUBLIC & PRESS**

RESOLVED that under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item, by reason of the likely disclosure of exempt information within paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, following the Local

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Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, as set out below.

Minute No.	Para Nos.	Reason
126	3	Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

The full minutes of Minute 126 would be contained within a confidential minute which would be considered for publication following the implementation of the relevant decisions. However, a summary of the decision was as follows:

126. **EXECUTIVE AGENDA (CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS AND REPORTS) – WEDNESDAY 26 MARCH 2014**

Item 6 – Relocation of the Council’s HQ offices – Part B report

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee made a recommendation to the Executive to take into consideration at its meeting.

(The meeting finished at 9.00 pm)