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## **MINUTES**

Meeting: National Park Authority

Date: Friday 5 February 2016 at 10.00 am

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

Chair: Cllr Mrs L C Roberts

Present: Mr P Ancell, Mrs F Beatty, Cllr D Birkinshaw, Cllr P Brady, Cllr C Carr,

Cllr D Chapman, Cllr A R Favell, Mr Z Hamid, Cllr Mrs N Hawkins, Cllr Mrs G Heath, Mr R Helliwell, Cllr H Laws, Cllr Mrs C Howe, Ms S Leckie, Cllr J Macrae, Cllr A McCloy, Cllr C McLaren,

Cllr Mrs K Potter, Mrs E Sayer, Cllr Mrs J A Twigg, Cllr F J Walton and

Cllr D Williams

Apologies for absence: Mrs P Anderson, Cllr C Furness, Cllr D Greenhalgh, Cllr S Marshall-

Clarke, Ms S McGuire, Cllr Mrs N Turner and Cllr G Weatherall.

## 1/16 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair reported that the meeting was being broadcast live over the internet for members of the public to hear.

It was noted that the Strategic Advisory Group meeting scheduled for today would be held directly after the Authority meeting.

The Chair then referred to the changes to the Leadership Team of the Authority and the Assistant Directors who were leaving – Jane Chapman, Rachel Gillis and Mary Bagley. The Assistant Directors were present at the meeting and were presented with cards and gifts from Members. On behalf of Members the Chair thanked them for their good work for the Authority and wished them all well in their futures.

#### 2/16 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING 4 DECEMBER 2015

The minutes of the last meeting of the Authority held on 4 December 2015 were approved as a correct record.

# 3/16 URGENT BUSINESS

There were no items of urgent business to consider.

#### 4/16 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No notice of public participation had been received.

#### 5/16 MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Member declarations of interest.

# 6/16 BUDGET 2016/17 (A137/PN)

Members considered a report which presented the formal budget approval for 2016/17 following approval of the proposals presented to Members on the 18<sup>th</sup> September 2015 in the report by the Director of Corporate Resources, and in the Chief Executive's Strategic Framework at the same meeting.

Members emphasised the need to be cautious about becoming complacent in respect of the Defra settlement.

In response to Members' queries officers stated that they were now looking at the areas identified in paragraph 8 of the report and would be involving Members in that process via the Strategic Advisory Group and/or workshops for all Members. This would also include consideration of the restructuring reserve figure. It was noted that Members would prefer the proposals to be considered at a Strategic Advisory Group meeting, which was open to all Members to attend.

Mr Paul Ancell thanked all Members and officers who had worked on achieving the favourable settlement from Defra.

The recommendations as set out in the report were moved, seconded, voted on and carried.

# **RESOLVED:**

- 1. That the base budget for the 2016/17 financial year shown in Appendix 1 and 2 of the report be approved.
- 2. That the financial position of the Authority in respect of planning for the following years be noted.

## 7/16 EXEMPT INFORMATION S100 (A) LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

# **RESOLVED:**

That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of Agenda Item No. 9 to avoid the disclosure of Exempt Information under S100 (A) (4) Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A, Paragraph 3 "Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)" and Paragraph 5 "Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings."

## 8/16 EXEMPT MINUTES OF 4 DECEMBER 2015

The exempt minutes of the last meeting of the Authority held on 4 December 2015 were approved as a correct record.

The meeting ended at 11.00 am