

## **A MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY BOARD**

**WAS HELD 10 FEBRUARY 2014**

The Mayor (Councillor Beavis) (ex-officio), Councillor Hook (P), Burgess (P), Carter C K, Mrs Cully (P), Edgar (P), Foster-Reed (P), Henshaw, Mrs Hook (P), Hylands (P), Kimber (P), Mrs Morgan, Murphy (P) and Mrs Wright (P).

It was reported that in accordance with Standing Orders 2.3.6, Councillor Hook had been nominated to replace Councillor Carter C K and Councillor Gill had been nominated to replace Councillor Henshaw for this meeting.

### **32. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for inability to attend the meeting were received from Councillor Carter CK and Councillor Henshaw.

### **33. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY BOARD HELD ON 25 NOVEMBER 2013**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the meeting of the Community Board held on 25 November 2013 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

### **34. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **35. DEPUTATIONS**

There were no deputations

### **36. PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

There were no public questions

## **Part I Items**

### **37. BUSINESS PLAN UPDATE AND COUNCIL DWELLING RENTS 2014/2015**

Consideration was given to a report from the Borough Treasurer and Housing Services Manager.

Further to a question it was confirmed the increase of £0.49 for older style garages equated to a 5½ % rise.

Clarification was provided with respect to debt repayment and the potential of this leading to discounts (page 4, paragraph 7.1). The Borough Treasurer explained that should favourable economic conditions arise there was a possibility that debts could be redeemed for a reduced sum than actual principle outstanding as discounts may be applicable.

The Housing Services Manager updated members by advising the stage the housing team were at with regard to the planned delivery for new homes at St Vincent. She said that a report will be put forward to the next Community Board due to be held in March 2014, this would be after a scheduled meeting with Hampshire County Council which would inform the report content.

It was confirmed that a breakdown of Hampshire County Council's Architect costs would be provided.

**RESOLVED:** That the Community Board recommend to Council that:

- The revised HRA Business Plan (Appendix A) and associated 2013/14 Revised Budget and 2014/15 Budget (Appendix B) be agreed.
- in line with national guidelines the average weekly Council Dwelling rent increases on average by £4.20 per week.
- the increase in rent for older style garages be increased in line with dwelling rents, as agreed in the Garage Renewal strategy.

### **38. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

It was reported by the Chairman that following the sad news regarding the death of late Honorary Alderman, former Mayor of the Borough and Councillor, Tony Herridge, it had been agreed to waive the double fee which would usually have been levied to the Herridge family, for those who moved out of the Borough.

Prior to closing the meeting, the Chairman advised Members that the forthcoming Community Board meeting was rescheduled from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March to Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2014.

The meeting concluded at: 18:15

**CHAIRMAN**