

EXECUTIVE

Minutes of the meeting held on 25 May 2022 starting at 7.00 pm

Present:

Kate Lymer (Vice-Chair, in the Chair),
Councillors Yvonne Bear, Nicholas Bennett MA J.P.,
Christopher Marlow and Angela Page

Also Present:

Councillor Simon Jeal

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Aisha Cuthbert, Colin Smith and Diane Smith. Councillor Simon Fawthrop joined the meeting online.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3 QUESTIONS

Eight questions had been received for written reply – the answers are set out in Appendix A to these minutes.

4 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 30 MARCH 2022

In minute 388 the PDS Committee was corrected to the Renewal, Recreation and Housing PDS Committee on 16th March 2022.

RESOLVED that, subject to this correction, the minutes of the meeting held on 30 March 2022 be confirmed.

5 EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS

Report No CSD22066

The report allowed the Leader of the Council to announce the Members appointed to various Portfolio Holder, Executive Assistant and other roles to help with the administration of executive business during 2022/23. The schedule of appointments is attached as Appendix B to these minutes.

RESOLVED that

(1) The appointment of Councillors to serve on the Executive and responsibility for Portfolios, as allocated by the Leader of the Council, be noted.

(2) The appointment of Councillors as Executive Assistants by the Leader of the Council be noted.

(3) The appointment by the Leader of the Council of Members to serve on the Health and Wellbeing Board and the Fostering Panel for 2022/23 be noted.

6 HOUSEHOLD SUPPORT FUND

Report HPR2022/026

The Executive noted the Government announcement regarding the Household Support Fund (HSF) agreed proposals for the allocation and distribution of the HSF.

Members discussed the opportunities to reach people in need, including those in fuel poverty and dependant on pre-payment meters. Options for fuel vouchers or cards were very limited, and the Council did not have sufficient information on households in fuel poverty, but Age UK were able to assist with identifying these households. Council officers would continue to explore this.

The report had been scrutinised at the Executive, Resources and Contracts PDS Committee at its meeting on 24th May 2022 and the Committee had supported the proposals.

RESOLVED that

(1) It is noted that Bromley Council's allocation for the Household Support Fund (HSF) is £1,868k.

(2) The full utilisation of this ringfenced grant, in 2022/23, be approved as detailed in paragraph 3.8 of the report.

(3) Any final changes be delegated to the Chief Officer in consultation with the Portfolio Holders for Renewal, Recreation & Housing and Resources, Commissioning and Contracts Management.

7 CONSIDERATION OF ANY OTHER ISSUES REFERRED FROM THE EXECUTIVE, RESOURCES AND CONTRACTS POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

There were no additional items referred from Executive, Resources and Contracts PDS Committee.

8 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) (VARIATION) ORDER 2006 AND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

RESOLVED that the Press and public be excluded during consideration of the items of business referred to below as it is likely in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings that if members of the Press and public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information.

**The following summaries
refer to matters involving exempt information**

9 EXEMPT MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 30 MARCH 2022

RESOLVED that the exempt minutes of the meeting held on 30th March 2022 be confirmed.

The Meeting ended at 7.12 pm.

Chairman