

SHARED SERVICES JOINT COMMITTEE

18th December 2020 at 1.00 p.m.

Present:

Councillor Hannigan, Poole, Shreeve and Waltham.

Officers in Attendance:

- Sharon Wroot (Director of Resources and Governance North East Lincolnshire Council)
- Simon Jones (Chief Legal and Monitoring Officer North East Lincolnshire Council)
- Sally Jack (North East Lincolnshire Council)
- Helen Manderson (North Lincolnshire Council)
- Becky McIntyre (North Lincolnshire Council)
- Paul Windley (Democratic and Scrutiny Team Manager North East Lincolnshire Council)

JCSS.1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

RESOLVED – That Councillor Hannigan be appointed Chair of this committee for the ensuing Municipal Year.

COUNCILLOR HANNIGAN IN THE CHAIR

JCSS.2 APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CHAIR

RESOLVED – That Councillor Shreeve be appointed Deputy Chairman of this committee for the ensuing Municipal Year.

JCSS.3 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence from this meeting were received from Councillor Jackson. In addition, Councillor Poole gave his apologies for his late attendance and joined the meeting from item JCSS.7 onwards.

JCSS.4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest in any items on the agenda for this meeting.

JCSS.5 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Shared Services Joint Committee held on 21st October, 2019 were agreed as a correct record.

JCSS.6 SHARED SERVICES ANNUAL REPORT 2019/20

The joint committee received the report of the shared services officer board providing a summary of the activities and performance of those services within Northern Lincolnshire Business Connect (NLBC) in 2019/20.

The Chair noted the importance of workstreams remaining flexible in order to meet the differing needs of both councils and was encouraged that this had happened.

RESOLVED – That the content of the annual report be noted.

JCSS.7 ANNUAL REPORT 2019/20 – ADDENDUM

The joint committee received an addendum to the Shared Services Annual Report 2019/20 providing an update on how the shared service teams had responded to Covid-19.

The Chair paid particular tribute to the responsiveness of the local taxation service.

RESOLVED – That the content of the addendum be noted.

JCSS.8 REVISED GOVERNANCE PROPOSALS

The joint committee received a report providing an update on the elements of the Shared Services Agreement following review in 2020 and making recommendations regarding revised governance arrangements.

RESOLVED -

- 1. That the outcome of the latest review and the services remaining within the agreement be noted.
- 2. That the changes to the legal agreement and governance arrangements set out generally in paragraph 1.6 of the report now submitted be agreed, including the termination of the Joint Committee with its role vested in a revised Shared Services Board.
- 3. That authority be delegated to the Chief Legal and Monitoring Officer (North East Lincolnshire Council) and the Monitoring Officer (North Lincolnshire Council) to implement the actions relating to changes to the legal agreement and governance arrangements, including bringing a report before respective Cabinets and Full Councils where appropriate in

support of the required constitutional change.

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 1.23 p.m.