Agenda Item 2

MINUTES of a meeting of the CABINET MEMBER FOR STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP, CULTURE AND TOURISM held on 19 January 2021.

## **PRESENT**

Cabinet Member – Councillor B Lewis

Also in attendance – Councillors R Flatley and P Smith

**1/21 MINUTES RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 11 December 2020 be confirmed as a correct record.

**MEMBERS' COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP SCHEME** On 23 April 2020, Cabinet had considered and approved a report which provided an additional allocation of £3,860 to Members to support their local communities throughout the Covid-19 pandemic, assisting with the recovery and delivery of social, economic, health, environmental and cultural services to support quality of life in communities.

As 2021 was an election year, it was agreed that the additional allocations of funds would not be made after 1 December 2020 and that all members MCLS accounts would be capped at £1,000 on 1 December 2020, to ensure that all Members had an equitable amount to spend in the last quarter of the 2020-21 financial year. As at 30 November 2020, a total of 664 applications had been received and approved which were aimed at supporting local organisations and activities through the pandemic period.

The Council had recognised that communities have had a pivotal role during the pandemic and the Council Plan ambition was to ensure that the Council continued to work with communities, sharing responsibility for improving their areas and supporting each other.

In these unprecedented circumstances and with the introduction of the recent further lockdown measures, it was considered vital to continue to support residents and communities during this difficult period. It was therefore proposed that each Elected Member be provided with an additional allocation of £1,000. This would be added to the existing balance that remained in each individual Members account following the 1 December 2020 deadline. Members could continue to submit applications using the same process as was currently in place. Applications would have to be received on or before 14 March 2021. Any unspent balance as at 14 March 2021 would be returned to the General Reserve.

**RESOLVED** to approve the allocation of additional resources to the Members' Community Leadership Scheme by providing an additional £1,000 to each Elected Member.

**APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES** The list of outside body appointments was agreed by the Cabinet Member at the meeting held on 5 August 2020. Subsequently, the Council had been made aware of further changes which needed to be ratified.

## **RESOLVED** to approve the following:

- (1) replace Councillor T Ainsworth with Councillor G Hickton as the Council's representative on Rail Forum Midlands;
- (2) replace Councillor G Wharmby with Councillor R Flatley on the Derbyshire Schools Forum;
- (3) appoint Councillor D McGregor (local member) to the Whitwell Works Liaison Committee;
- (4) appoint Councillor J Atkin to the Derbyshire Dales Community Safety Partnership; and
- (5) appoint Councillor G Wharmby to the High Peak Community Safety Partnership