Minutes of the meeting of the **Council** South Staffordshire Council held in the Council Chamber Community Hub, Wolverhampton Road, Codsall, South Staffordshire, WV8 1PX on Tuesday, 05 September 2023 at 19:00

Present:-

Councillor Andrew Adams, Councillor Helen Adams, Councillor Penny Allen, Councillor Jeff Ashley, Councillor Meg Barrow, Councillor John Brindle, Councillor Gary Burnett, Councillor Val Chapman, Councillor Bob Cope, Councillor Mike Davies, Councillor Philip Davis, Councillor Steph Dufty, Councillor Robert Duncan, Councillor Christopher Evans, Councillor Mark Evans, Councillor Warren Fisher, Councillor Dr Paul Harrison, Councillor Rita Heseltine, Councillor Fiona Hopkins, Councillor Victor Kelly, Councillor Dan Kinsey, Councillor Roger Lees, Councillor Vincent Merrick, Councillor Rob Nelson, Councillor Kath Perry, Councillor Martin Perry, Councillor Ray Perry, Councillor Robert Reade, Councillor Christopher Steel, Councillor Wendy Sutton, Councillor Bernard Williams, Councillor David Williams, Councillor Kath Williams, Councillor Victoria Wilson

6 PRIORITY BUSINESS (IF ANY)

There was no priority business.

MINUTES OF 27 JUNE 2023

RESOLVED: The minutes of 27 June 2023 were approved.

8 MINUTES OF 25 JULY 2023

RESOLVED: The minutes of 25 July 2023 were approved.

9 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillors B Bond MBE, S Duncan, S Harper-Wallis, D Holmes, M Jackson, J Michell, G Spruce and S Szalapski,

10 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Monitoring Officer confirmed that members of the Corporate Leadership Team would leave the Chamber during consideration of Agenda Item 12.

There were no declarations of interest.

11 QUESTIONS PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 11.4

There were no Questions pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 11.4.

12 REPORT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Members received and noted the report of the Leader of the Council.

13 **COMMITTEE UPDATES**

Members received and noted the report of the Committee Chairmen.

14 APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES

It was Proposed by Councillor R Lees and Seconded by Councillor V Wilson and

RESOLVED: (a) To remove Councillor S Szalapski from Licensing and Regulatory Committee and replace with Councillor C Evans for the remainder of the 2023/24 Municipal Year. (b) To elect Councillor D Holmes as Chairman of the Standards and Resources Committee until Councillor B Bond MBE returns following his period of absence due to ill-health and (c) To elect Councillor P Davis as Vice-Chairman of the Standards and Resources Committee until Councillor D Holmes reverts to this position following the return of Councillor B Bond MBE.

15 **APPROVAL OF ABSENCE**

It was Proposed by Councillor R Lees and Seconded by Councillor V Wilson and

RESOLVED: That Council approves the reason of absence, namely that of serious ill-health, for Councillor B Bond MBE.

16 INTEGRATED PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT (IPM) REPORT - 2022/23 QUARTER 4 AND OUTTURN

It was Proposed by Councillor R Lees and Seconded by Councillor V Wilson and

RESOLVED: that Members review and note the Quarter 4 Integrated Performance Management (IPM) Report.

SENIOR PAY REVIEW

It was Proposed by Councillor R Lees and Seconded by Councillor V Wilson and

RESOLVED: (a) That Council note the independent senior pay review findings and approve a new pay scale of £97,012 - £99,012 for Corporate Director pay, noting the progression criteria set out in para 3.10, with effect from 14 September 2023.

- (b) Provide authorisation to the Council's Monitoring Officer to make any necessary staffing changes to the Constitution arising from this report.
- (c) Provide authorisation to the Assistant Director Organisation & People Development to make any necessary amendments to the Council's Pay Policy Statement arising from this report.

18 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman of the Council, Councillor Meg Barrow, congratulated Kath Tunnicliffe of Kinver who won 6 gold medals representing Great Britain at the World Aquatics Championship. The Chairman attended an event at Baggeridge Country Park recently and recommended a visit to all. The Chairman is holding charity event on Friday 13th October a Chairman's Bingo Evening at Codsall Community Hub and invited all members to support her.

The Meeting ended at: 19:43

CHAIRMAN