

LEE VALLEY REGIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
21 JANUARY 2021**

Members
in remote presence: Paul Osborn (Chairman) Heather Johnson
Derrick Ashley (Vice Chairman) Chris Kennedy
David Andrews Valerie Metcalfe
Ross Houston Mary Sartin

In remote attendance: John Bevan, Frances Button

Officers
in remote presence: Shaun Dawson - Chief Executive
Beryl Foster - Deputy Chief Executive
Dan Buck - Corporate Director
Jon Carney - Corporate Director
Keith Kellard - Head of Finance
Victoria Yates - Head of Human Resources
James Hetherington - Accommodation and Golf Manager
Sandra Bertschin - Committee & Members' Services Manager

Also in remote presence: Matt Bowmer (London Borough of Enfield)
Laurie Elks (member of the public)

Part I

918 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declaration of interests.

919 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 3 December 2020 be approved and signed.

There was a typographical error on the date which a list of landscape projects would be presented, this should have been February 2021, not 2022.

Also the Chairman of the Regeneration & Planning Committee had commented that following reporting of the Authority's objections to the Ferry Lane planning application at Haringey's Planning Committee, the Authority's procedures for submitting timely responses to planning consultations would be changing.

THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 17 December 2020 be approved and signed subject to the above amendments.

920 PUBLIC SPEAKING

No requests from the public to speak or present petitions had been received for this meeting.

The report was introduced by the Head of Finance highlighting amendment of revenue financing for the capital programme in recommendation 3 to £0.8m (not £1.2m).

In response to Members it was advised that officers were reviewing options to minimise the potential impact of business rates in 2021/22 following delay to the start of the new Leisure Services Contract.

Members commented that given most local authorities were expected to increase council tax rates and continuing uncertainties because of the pandemic, a 2% increase in the levy was reasonable.

On behalf of the Conservative group the Chairman proposed a 2% increase in the levy. On behalf of the Labour group the Lead Labour Member endorsed a 2% increase in the levy. No Members opposed the proposal put forward by their group.

- (1) **option A as set out in Paper E/708/21 as the proposed levy for 2021/22;**
- (2) **additional expenditure, income and efficiencies as set out in Appendix B to Paper E/708/21;**
- (3) **revenue financing for the capital programme of £0.8m as set out in paragraph 26 of Paper E/708/21.**
- (4) **a net revenue budget of £9.44m, as set out in paragraph 36 of Paper E/708.21; and**
- (5) **a medium term general reserves policy of £3m-£4m was approved for recommendation to the Authority.**

Laurie Elks left the meeting.

922 EXEMPT ITEMS

THAT based on the principles of Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the items of business below on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information again on the principles as defined in those sections of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act indicated:

Agenda Item No	Subject	Exempt Information Section Number
8	Proposed Campsites Restructure	3

923 PROPOSED CAMPSITES RESTRUCTURE

Paper E/707/21

The report was introduced by the Corporate Director.

- (1) **the restructure as outlined in paragraph 7 of Paper E/707/21 was approved.**

924 UPDATE ON TRUST MATTERS

The Chief Executive and Deputy Chief Executive gave an oral update on Trust matters.

Chairman

Date

The meeting started at 11.04am and ended at 11.43am