GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY, 2015

PRESENT: Councillor P Gruen in the Chair

Councillors D Blackburn, J Blake, S Golton, G Latty, J Lewis, A Lowe, E Nash, J Procter, M Rafique, B Selby (as Substitute for K Wakefield) and S Varley

Apologies Councillor K Wakefield

31 Election of Chair

RESOLVED – Councillor P Gruen was elected as Chair for the duration of the meeting.

32 Appeals against refusal of inspection of documents

There were no appeals against the refusal of inspection of documents.

33 Exempt Information - possible exclusion of the press and public

There were no resolutions to exclude the public.

34 Late items

There were no formal late items submitted for consideration. However supplementary information in relation to agenda item 8 "Community Governance Review Recommendations on whether to Create a New Town Council for Guiseley" was circulated prior to the meeting, this was a map which highlighted different boundaries for the proposed Town Council.

35 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Interests

No declarations were made.

36 Apologies for absence

There were apologies from Councillor Wakefield. Councillor Selby was in attendance as substitute.

37 Minutes - 25th November 2014

RESOLVED – The minutes were approved as a correct record.

38 Approval of the 2015/16 Pay Policy Statement

The Head of HR (Strategy and Resources) presented a report of the Chief Officer HR which sought Members' views on the revised Pay Policy Statement and for the Committee to make recommendations to full Council to approve the changes before the start of the 2015/16 financial year.

RESOLVED – The Committee resolved to:

- (a) recommend to full Council that the updated 2015/16 financial year pay policy statement be adopted;
- (b) Recommend to full Council that any required in year amendment to the Annual Pay Policy Statement in respect of the JNC pay scale be delegated to the Chief Officer HR; and
- (c) That the assurances from the Deputy Chief Executive be noted.

39 Community Governance Review recommendations on whether to create a new Town Council for Guiseley

The Head of Licensing and Registration presented his report which considered Electoral Working Group's (EWG's) recommendations following the petition from electors in polling districts from the Guiseley and Rawdon ward to establish a new Town Council for Guiseley.

The Chair proposed an amendment to the recommendations made by the Electoral Working Group by way of the circulation of a map detailing an alternative boundary for the creation of a Guiseley Town Council based on polling districts GRD, GRI, GRC, GRK and GRJ (thereby omitting polling districts GRA and GRB from the original petition proposal) (Minute 34 refers.)

The Head of Licensing and Registration confirmed that the local authority had powers to amend the boundaries of a petition as part of the Community Governance Review process.

The amendment was put to the vote and it was:

RESOLVED – that full Council be recommended to approve the creation of a Guiseley Town Council, at the earliest opportunity, to be comprised of polling districts GRD, GRI, GRC, GRK and GRJ.

40 Date and Time of Next Meeting

The Committee were informed that there was no business scheduled for its meeting on 10th March 2015 and were asked to consider cancelling the meeting.

It was noted the next meeting after this would be at 1:30pm on Thursday 21st May 2015.

RESOLVED – The Committee resolved to cancel the meeting scheduled for 2.00pm on Tuesday 10^{th} March 2015