## Minutes of Emergency

Meeting Date:Friday, 10 December 2021, starting at 9.00 amPresent:Councillor S Atkinson

Councillors:

S Fletcher

S Hore R Thompson

In attendance: Director of Community Services, Director of Economic Development and Planning, Director of Resources and Chief Executive

513 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

514 DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY, OTHER REGISTRABLE OR NON-REGISTRABLE INTERESTS

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary, other registrable or non-registrable interests.

515 POSTPONEMENT OF COUNCIL MEETING DATED 14 DECEMBER 2021

The Chief Executive informed committee that following attendance at a meeting with LGA and Public Health officials and also the Prime Minister's decision to move the country to Plan B regarding the situation with the Covid 19 pandemic it was clear the potential transmission and infection rates for the new Omicron variant were a major concern. It was acknowledged that the safety of both staff and councillors was paramount, and he recommended the date of the next Council meeting scheduled for 14 December 2021 should be postponed.

An alternative date of 25 January 2022 was suggested which was already earmarked for an extraordinary meeting to discuss the County Deal. However, the Government was still being lobbied heavily to allow remote meetings to take place so this might also be an alternative in due course.

RESOLVED THAT COMMITTEE:

- 1. Agree to postpone the date of the Council meeting from 14 December 2021 to 25 January 2022 (thus displacing Licensing committee to 1 February 2022), and
- 2. Delegate to the Chief Executive in consultation with the three Leaders any alternative date or method of meeting subject to current information available.

516 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

There were no items under this heading.

The meeting closed at 9.05 am

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