

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 25th October 2016 at Pippbrook, Dorking from 8.00pm to 8.08pm

Present: Councillors David Mir (Chairman), Simon Ling (Vice Chairman), Tim Ashton, Lucy Botting, John Chandler, Margaret Cooksey, Stephen Cooksey, Mary Cooper, Joe Crome, Rosemary Dickson, David Draper, Simon Edge, Paul Elderton, Raj Haque, David Harper, Mary Huggins, Chris Hunt, Metin Huseyin, Duncan Irvine, Howard Jones, Bridget Kendrick, Paul Kennedy, Malcolm Ladell, Claire Malcomson, Vivienne Michael, Wayne Monkman, John Muggeridge, Jatin Patel, Corinna Osborne-Patterson, Paul Potter, Sarah Seed, Peter Stanyard, Michelle Watson, Clayton Wellman and Charles Yarwood.

42. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Lynne Brooks, James Friend, David Hawksworth, Tim Loretto, Paul Newman and Patricia Wiltshire.

43. Joint Waste Contract – Award of Contract

The Council considered the report set out at pages 2 to 104 of the agenda which requested allocations of funds for the purchase of refuse vehicles and amendments to the Council's Constitution arising from the award of the Joint Waste Contract. The Executive Member for Environment introduced the report and proposed the recommendation.

During the introduction of the report it was advised that in order to achieve the best value for money, it was recommended that Mole Valley District Council provide the funding to purchase the new waste collection and street cleaning vehicles for the Mole Valley element of the Joint Waste Contract. I doing so it would further reduce the cost of operating the Joint Waste Contract.

It was also advised that the governance arrangements for the contract had been carefully drafted to ensure Mole Valley was still in control of its front-line services. The Joint Waste Committee will oversee the contract with elected Councillors appointed to the Committee by each partner authority. Each member of the Joint Committee will have an equal vote. i.e. one person, one vote. As a further safeguard, certain decisions are reserved for each individual Authority to determine. Crucial decisions such as extending or terminating the contract would be expressly reserved for the Council.

RESOLVED:

That:

1. sufficient funding for the vehicles required to operate the Joint Waste Contract in Mole Valley be included in the Capital Programme;
2. the required changes to the constitution in light of agreeing the revised Waste Collection and Street Cleaning Inter Authority Agreement (IAA) be made, and authorisation be given to the Portfolio Holder of Environment (and an appropriate named deputy) to act as the Council's representative on the Joint Waste Collection Services Committee (JWCSC);
3. responsibility to make any minor changes to the Council's constitution, be delegated to the Chief Executive and Chairman of the Council.