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Dear Sir/Madam

Executive Agenda - 5 November 2019

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Executive will be held at 6.00 pm on Tuesday, 5 November 2019 at the Town Hall, Penrith.

1 Apologies for Absence

2 Minutes

RECOMMENDATION that the public minutes E/39/10/19 to E/48/10/19 of the meeting of the Executive held on 8 October 2019 be confirmed and approved by the Chairman as a correct record of those proceedings (copies previously circulated).

3 Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations of the existence and nature of any private interests, both disclosable pecuniary and any other registrable interests, in any matter to be considered or being considered.

4 Questions and Representations from the Public

To receive questions and representations from the public under Rules 3 and 4 of the Executive Procedure Rules of the Constitution

5 Questions from Members

To receive questions and representations from Members under Rule 5 of the Executive Procedure Rules of the Constitution

6 Adoption of Council Plan Recommendation to Council - Leader Portfolio (Pages 7 - 40)

To consider report CE16/19 from the Chief Executive which is attached and which seeks approval for the adoption of the Council Plan 2019-2023.

RECOMMENDATION that Council be recommended to adopt the Council Plan as attached to this report at Appendix A.

7 One Eden Case for Change - Leader Portfolio (Pages 41 - 48)

To consider report CE15/19 from The Chief Executive which is attached and which seeks to update members on the purpose of the One Eden Programme which is to transform Eden District Council into an organisation which is sustainable and fit for the future. It should be a Council that delivers services to meet customer's needs - residents, businesses and partners. Additionally, the Council will have a workforce with the skills and capacity to ensure that customers' needs are met and that the organisation is well managed and effective.

RECOMMENDATION that Council agree:

1. the Case for Change; and
2. that a business case for the One Eden programme be submitted to Council in February 2020 and shall include the detailed financial implications of the One Eden Programme.

8 Corporate Performance Report: July to September - Leader Portfolio (Pages 49 - 56)

To consider report CE17/19 from the Chief Executive which is attached and which provides a summary of progress against the corporate performance targets for the period July to September 2019 and informs the Executive and Scrutiny Co-ordinating Board of any areas of concern or issues requiring attention and the remedial activity in place to deal with these.

RECOMMENDATION that the progress to date be noted and the action being taken to address areas of concern.

9 Local Development Scheme and Statement of Community Involvement - Leader Portfolio (Pages 57 - 110)

To consider report PP26/19 from the Assistant Director Planning and Economic Development which is attached and which sets out the Local Development Scheme (LDS) and Statement of Community Involvement in support of undertaking a full review of the Local Plan along with agreement to an indicative budget.

RECOMMENDATIONS that:

A full review of the Eden Local Plan 2014-2032 commences based on agreement of the following documents and indicative budget:

1. The attached Draft Local Development Scheme (Appendix 1); and
2. The attached Statement of Community Involvement (Appendix 2); and
3. The indicative budget of £250,000 over the plan period with a contingency fund of £50,000.

10 Borderlands Place Programme (Pages 111 - 116)

To consider report PP32/19 from the Assistant Director Planning and Economic

Development which is attached and which asks Members to approve a submission of an Expression of Interest to the Programme.

RECOMMENDATION that the Executive approve Penrith as the town to be included in the submission of an Expression of Interest for the Borderlands Place Programme.

11 Eden Community Fund Recommendations - Communities Portfolio *(Pages 117 - 122)*

To consider report PP31/19 from the Assistant Director Community Services which is attached and which seeks approval for the award from the Eden Community Fund of grants to the four projects set out in Appendix A of this report.

RECOMMENDATION that a grant from the Eden Community Fund is agreed for each of the four projects set out in Appendix A of this report, to a total of £9,545.41.

12 Heart of Cumbria Ltd Review - Leader Portfolio *(Pages 123 - 210)*

To consider report G73/19 from Director of Corporate Services which is attached and which seeks to consider the future of the Council's wholly owned Company, Heart of Cumbria Ltd.

RECOMMENDATIONS that:

- 1 The findings of the review of the Company (Confidential Appendix 1) are endorsed.
- 2 The Company should continue to operate, subject to the changes included in further recommendations below.
- 3 The Company Board is strengthened to include at least five Directors, all of whom should have relevant experience. These positions would be unpaid.
- 4 Serving Councillors should not be appointed as Directors of the Company.
- 5 One member of the Executive is appointed as the Shareholder representative.
- 6 The objectives of the Company are amended to give both clarity of purpose and allow flexibility in what the Company can do.
- 7 The Articles of Association of the Company are amended (Appendix 2) and the Governance Agreement (Appendix 3) is adopted to reflect recommendations 2 to 6 above with delegated powers granted to the Assistance Director Governance to execute the Governance Agreement on behalf of the Council.
- 8 An early review of the housing management contract is carried out with a view to re-tendering.
- 9 Development resource is made available to the Company through

secondment of a suitably experienced member of staff.

- 10 Delegated powers be granted to the Assistant Director Finance to amend the loan funding arrangements, so that funding is sourced from Prudential Borrowing rather than from the General Reserve.
- 11 The changes to the Board of Directors be noted
- 12 It be noted that authorisation has been given by the Board of Directors to appoint Les Clark, Director of People and Place, as a new Director.
- 13 The accounts for the Company for the period ending 31 March 2019 (Appendix 4) be noted

13 Any Other Items which the Chairman decides are urgent

14 Date of Next Scheduled Meeting

The date of the next scheduled meeting to be confirmed as 3 December 2019.

15 Exclusion of the Press and Public

To consider whether, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, members of the public (including the press) should be excluded from the meeting during discussion of the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 to Schedule 12A of the Act.

16 Heart of Cumbria Ltd Review - Leader Portfolio *(Pages 211 - 216)*

This appendix sets out information supporting report G73/19 from the Director of Corporate Services which is exempt under Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Action 1972.

Yours faithfully



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Chief Executive

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For Attention

All members of the Council

Chairman – Councillor V Taylor (Liberal Democrat Group)
Vice Chairman – Councillor M Robinson (Independent Group)

Councillors

J Derbyshire, Liberal Democrat Group
K Greenwood, Independent Group
M Rudhall, Liberal Democrat Group

L Sharp, Labour Group
M Tonkin, Independent Group

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