

Special North York Moors National Park Authority

Public Minutes of the meeting held at The Old Vicarage, Helmsley on Thursday 16 February 2017.

Present:

Leslie Atkinson, Jim Bailey, Malcolm Bowes, Ena Dent, Alison Fisher, David Hugill, David Jeffels, Heather Moorhouse, Sarah Oswald, Caroline Patmore, John Ritchie, Ted Sanderson, Andrew Scott.

Apologies:

Guy Coulson, Michael Dick, Janet Frank, Christopher Massey, Clive Pearson, Jeremy Walker

Officers in Attendance:

Irene Brannon (Director of Corporate Services), Vanessa Burgess (Committees Officer)

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting

01/17 Public Question Time

There were no questions from Members of the public.

02/17 Members Interests

Members were reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal and prejudicial interests relating to any agenda item prior to its consideration.

03/17 Changes to the Arrangements for the Appointment of External Auditors

Considered:

The report of the s151 Officer.

Irene Brannon, Director of Corporate Services and Deputy s151 Officer, gave a report to members

Members asked about:

- Cost implications to the Authority
- An explanation for the term 'sector-led body'

Irene Brannon advised members that cost implications were still unclear at present. The Authority's current Audit costings were via a scaled charge arrangement, Officers were hoping for a similar scaled charging system under the new regime.

Regarding the term 'sector-led body', Irene informed members that this had been developed by Local Government Association and that other local government organisations were included.

Resolved: Members approved that North York Moors National Park Authority opt-in to 'a sector-led body' for the appointment of external auditors when the current transitional arrangements expire as from 31 March 2018.

..... (Chair)
20 March 2017