

STRATA - JOINT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

MONDAY, 25 JANUARY 2021

Present:

Cllrs Arnott (Chair), Dewhirst and Pearson

Non-Voting Members:

Karime Hassan – Exeter City Council
Phil Shears – Teignbridge District Council
Mark Williams – East Devon District Council

Officers in Attendance:

Sarah Selway, Democratic Services Team Leader & Deputy Monitoring Officer
Robin Barlow, Head of Security & Compliance
Simon Davey, Strata Board Director
David Hodgson, Strata Finance Director
Peter Johns, Head of IT Solutions Delivery
Martin Millmow, Head of Document Centres
Paul Nicholls, Company Director for STRATA
David Sercombe, Head of Business Systems & Business Intelligence
Adrian Smith, Head of Infrastructure & Support
Laurence Whitlock, Strata IT Director

**These decisions will take effect from 10.00 a.m. on 1 February 2021
unless called-in or identified as urgent in the minute**

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 22 September 2020 were approved as a correct record and would be signed by the Chair at the earliest convenience.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Dewhirst declared an interest as Member at Devon County Council.

3. IT DIRECTORS REPORT

The Strata IT Directors Report was submitted.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

4. FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Strata Finance Director presented the report advising on the financial position of Strata.

In response to a Member, the Strata Finance Director clarified how and where the Strata savings had been identified.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985 - EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED that under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

6. STRATA BUSINESS PLAN 2020/21 AND BEYOND

The Strata IT Director presented the Strata Business Plan for 2020/21 and beyond. Members discussed the recommendations and the comments of the Strata Joint Scrutiny Committee.

Members also raised the issue of members IT and supported the review of their requirements given the changing digital environment.

Members agreed to delay the new Board Structure and the new proposed purposes of the Joint Executive Committee and Joint Scrutiny Committee until a more details review had been undertaken. The procuring of the PowerBI Premium would be deferred to a future meeting of this committee.

RECOMMENDED that East Devon District Council, Exeter City Council and Teignbridge District Council approve the Strata Business Plan 2020/21 and beyond including:

- (1) The 21/22 Proposed Savings;
- (2) Hardware budgets being returned to East Devon District Council and Teignbridge District Council;

- (3) Appointment of a Data Analyst post;
- (4) Benchmarking to be undertaken by SOCITM; and
- (5) The mechanism for work prioritisation.

The meeting started at 4.00 pm and finished at 5.35 pm.

Chair