MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT TEAM HELD ON 17th JANUARY, 2017

PRESENT: D. Langton, P. Mousdale, P. Atkinson, J. Whittaker, D. Walker, N. Watson, V. Green

and L. Ritchie

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: M. Mason and A. Pearson

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100. PERCEPTION SURVEY 2016

Management Team received a presentation from Adam Pearson from Infusion on the results of the 2016 Perception Survey.

The results had been obtained via the Council's website, the Citizens Panel, a short street survey and a young people focus group.

The areas highlighted as being most important to people were:

Clean Streets
Health Services
Level of Crime
Job Prospects
Access to Nature and Open Spaces
Level of Crime
Amenities and Facilities
People Feeling Safe
Public Transport

During discussion Management Team felt that the street survey and been a useful addition and should be included in future surveys.

AGREED

That the Perception Survey 2016 be submitted to the next Leadership meeting.

Dean Langton

101. BUDGET 2017/18/MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2017/20

The Financial Services Manager provided an update on the budget for 2017/18 and the Medium Term Financial Plan for 2017/20 following the announcement of the Provision Local Government Finance Settlement in December, 2016.

Reference was made to Council's core spending power for 2017-20 which for Pendle affected –

Business Rates (did not reflect local circumstances) Council Tax (assumed a tax base growth and £5 rise) Revenue Support Grant (per 4 year funding offer) -71% New Homes Bonus (indicative allocations)

Management Team discussed the major changes to the New Homes Bonus (NHB) which would see funding diverted into Adult Social Care. The implications for Pendle were that to receive NHB 123 new Band D homes would need to be built. This could result in a potential loss of c£3m by 2020/21.

Within the Medium Term Financial Plan 2017/20 work was continuing to resolve issues in connection with Business Rates and Pensions.

It was noted that notwithstanding the significant savings already made this year further savings were required over the planned period. The use of £5.3m of reserves from 2016/2020 to support the budget had been identified but this still left a further saving of £4m by 2019/20.

AGREED

That the position be noted.

All Management Team

102. STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW 2017/18

Management Team spent some time reviewing the Strategic Plan for 2017/18.

A number of amendments were put forward in relation to the Council's four strategic objectives.

AGREED

That the revised Strategic Plan 2017/18 be submitted to Management Team on 14th February, 2017.

All Management Team/ Marie Mason