

# SOUTH DOWNS NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee will be held at 10.30am on 17th February 2022 at The Memorial Hall, South Downs Centre, North Street, Midhurst, GU29 9DH

#### **Trevor Beattie**

Chief Executive (National Park Officer)

#### **AGENDA**

# I. Apologies for absence

# 2. Declaration of Interests

To enable Members to declare to the meeting any disclosable interest they may have in any matter on the agenda for the meeting.

# 3. Minutes of previous Policy and Resources Committee meetings

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Policy and Resources Committee meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2021. (page 3)

#### 4. Matters arising

To enable any matters arising from the Policy and Resources Committee minutes that are not covered elsewhere on this agenda to be raised.

#### 5. Urgent Matters

To consider any matter on the agenda which the Chair agrees should be considered as a matter of urgency to due special circumstances.

## 6. Public participation

To hear questions or comments from members of the public present at the meeting.

#### 7. Need for Part II Exclusion of Press and Public

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#### **STRATEGIES AND POLICIES**

#### 8. Draft Corporate Plan 2020-25 Year 3 Action Plan for 2022/23

To consider a report from the Performance and Research Lead (PR21/22-29 page 13)

# 9. Partnership Management Plan Delivery - Climate Change Action Plan - Update Report

To consider a report from the Director of Countryside & Policy Management, and Landscape & Biodiversity Strategy Lead (PR21/22-30 page 41)

## 10. Quarter 3 Corporate and Project Performance Report

To consider a report from the Performance and Research Lead & Project Management Lead (PR21/22-31 page 59).

# 11. Heathlands Reunited End of Project Review

To consider a report from the Heathlands Reunited Project Manager (PR21/22-32 page 83)

### **GOVERNANCE**

# 12. Corporate Risk Register

To consider a report from the Head of Governance & Support Services (PR21/22-33 page 91).

## 13. Treasury Management Strategy 2022/23

To consider a report from the Chief Finance Officer / Head of Business Services (PR21/22-34 page 101)

- **14.** Budget Monitoring Report 2021/22: Month 9

  To consider a report from the Chief Finance Officer (PR21/22-35 page 123)
- **15.** External Audit Audit Progress Report and Sector Update
  To consider a report from the Grant Thornton (PR21/22-36 page 143)
- Internal Audit Strategy and Annual Audit Plan
  To consider a report from the Chief Internal Auditor (PR21/22-37 page 165)
- Internal Audit Progress and ImplementationTo consider a report from the Chief Internal Auditor (PR21/22-38 page 181)
- 18. Procurement Contract for Construction of Egrets Way Phase 6
  To consider a report from the Head of Business Services (PR21/22-39 page 189)
- 19. Procurement Seven Sisters Country Park Further Construction Works
  To consider a report from the Head of Business Services (PR21/22-40 page 197)
- 20. Procurement Contract for Construction of Centurion Way Extension (West Dean to Singleton)

To consider a report from the Head of Business Services (PR21/22-41 page 203)

## To all Members of the Policy & Resources Committee:

Annie Brown, Tim Burr, Peter Diplock, Angus Dunn, Melanie Hunt, Doug Jones, Baroness Jones of Whitchurch, Michael Lunn, Martin Osborne, Henry Potter, Isabel Thurston and Stephen Whale.

Independent Committee Members: Tom Fourade and Carole Nicholson

Co-opted Committee Members: Morris Findley and Lawrence Leather

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