

MEMBER DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

HELD: Wednesday, 23 October 2019

Start: 6.00 pm

Finish: 7.00 pm

PRESENT:

Councillor: C Dereli (Chairman)

Councillors: G Dowling
Mrs J Marshall
D O'Toole
Y Gagen (SORP CWG Member)
I Moran

In attendance: Mr Alan Burns, Red Quadrant

Officers: Jacqui Sinnott-Lacey, Interim Chief Operating Officer
Jacky Denning, Member and Executive Services Manager
Julia Brown, Member Services / Civic Officer

13 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received on behalf of Councillor D Evans (Sustainable Organisation Review Cabinet Working Group Member).

14 **SUBSTITUTIONS (IF ANY)**

There were no substitutions.

15 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

16 **NOTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

AGREED: That the notes of the previous meeting held on 19 September 2019 be agreed as a correct record.

17 **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of that Act and as in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption under Schedule 12A outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

18 **SORP - MEMBER DEVELOPMENT PROJECT - ROLE OF THE COMMISSION**

The Chairman welcomed Mr Alan Burns, representative from Red Quadrant to the meeting.

Mr Burns provided Members with guidance in relation to what was envisaged in respect of the role of the Commission, following the decision of Council to extend the

terms of reference, which was recommended in the SORP report, as contained on pages 57 to 111 of the Book of Reports.

In addition, a copy of the SORP-Member Development Project Report, previously circulated at the meeting held on 19 September 2019 was also provided for Members information, as contained at pages 209 to 242 of the Book of Reports.

The Commission raised comments and questions in respect of:-

- Chief Operating Officer Model
- Focus on Strategic Delivery
- Cabinet role / CMT
- Pre Scrutiny value
- Training – Strategic Development and Opportunity
- Roles of Scrutiny Committees
- Future Boundary Review
- Understanding of SORP

AGREED: A. That a workshop / training session be arranged to review the role of Overview & Scrutiny in West Lancashire.

B. That a workshop / training session be arranged in respect of 'Development and Strategic arrangements'.

C. That in consultation with the Chairman, future meeting dates will be confirmed following confirmation of the above workshop / training session dates.