

**MINUTES** of a meeting of the **IMPROVEMENT AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – RESOURCES** held at County Hall, Matlock on 28 May 2015

**PRESENT**

Councillor C R Moesby (in the Chair)

Councillors Mrs M Booth, S Freeborn, T A Kemp, Mrs K D Lauro and D Lomax.

In attendance – Councillor J Owen.

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors S Bull and S Marshall-Clarke.

Councillor Mrs M Booth declared a personal interest in item 6 – Review of the Trusted Trader scheme as her husband was a member of the scheme.

**06/15**      **APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR**      **RESOLVED**      that  
Councillor Mrs K D Lauro be appointed Vice Chair of the Committee.

**07/15**      **MINUTES** **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Improvement and Scrutiny Committee – Resources held on 19 March 2015 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

**08/15**      **REVIEW OF THE TRUSTED TRADER SCHEME**      A  
progress report on the review of the Trusted Trader scheme was presented. Members commented on the progress made and their views would be taken into account in drafting the final report.

**RESOLVED** to note the progress made.

**09/15**      **UPDATE ON COMPLETED REVIEWS**      (a) Councillor J Owen, W Bexton and K Warrington gave an oral update on the progress made to date on the proposals for ground mounted solar PV installations on Council owned sites. Cabinet had agreed to submit full planning applications for the preferred sites and a joint procurement approach being developed in conjunction with Northumberland County Council.

The latest position on the individual sites was reported and it was noted that a report would be presented to Cabinet in the Autumn following the procurement exercise in order to have the sites activated by 31 March 2016.

(b) The Credit Unions Review report had been considered by Cabinet and a report setting out the response to the Committee's recommendations would be presented to the next meeting of the Committee. It was noted that some of the recommendations of the Committee had already been actioned by outside bodies.

(c) there was currently nothing further to report on the progress on the review of non-operational property.

**RESOLVED** that the update reports be noted.

**10/15      WORK PROGRAMME   RESOLVED** to note progress on the Committee's work programme for 2014/15.