

BLYTH TOWN COUNCIL

Environment Committee

15 September 2022

Decision Report 4

Recommendations

The Committee RESOLVE to agree: To appoint Councillor representatives as set out in the report to negotiate with NCC on any future Partnership Agreement that starts after 31 March 2024.

Ward

All

Risk Management

Budget provision is currently made in the annual budget for this expenditure.

Objective

Maintaining the environment (objective subject to review).

Report

Partnership Agreement from 1 April 2024

The current Partnership Agreement ends on 31 March 2024 and covers several service areas that are delivered in addition to the NCC core service.

Members recently received an in-depth report from consultant P Kemp on a public question time complaint where he set out some guidance on the possible way ahead for the Council.

It is suggested that the negotiating team have a balance of members and officers. The main officer representatives will be Town Clerk, Deputy Town Clerk, and the General Services Officer; it is further suggested the member representatives be the Mayor, Chair of Environment Committee, and Chair of Governance Committee.

The process will be for the final draft agreement for 2024 onwards to be submitted to the Partnership Board for agreement and subsequently Environment Committee and Council. Progress reports will also be given to the Board and Committee at an appropriate time. It is intended to start the negotiations soon after contacting Greg Gavin, Head of Neighbourhood Services.

J Hughes
Town Clerk

31/08/2022