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MERTON AND SUTTON JOINT CEMETERY BOARD 12 FEBRUARY 2014

(14.00 - 15.00)

PRESENT Councillors Councillor Geraldine Stanford (in the Chair),
Councillor Agatha Mary Akyigyina, Councillor Stan Anderson,
Councillor Margaret Brierly, Councillor David Williams, Brown
and Thistle

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Agenda Item 1)

None were made

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda Item 2)

Councillors Dave Callaghan and Peter Geiringer sent apologies for absence

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 19 JUNE 2013 (Agenda Item 3)

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 19 June 2013 are agreed as a correct record

4. BUDGET MONITORING 2013/14 AND REVENUE ESTIMATES 2014/15 (Agenda Item 4)

The resolutions in the report were put to the meeting and voted on:

For the resolutions:

Councillors Agatha Akyigyina, Stan Anderson, Margaret Brierly, Malcolm Brown,
Geraldine Stanford, Roger Thistle and David Williams

Against the resolutions:

None

RESOLVED:

1. That the current budgetary position for 2013/14 based on the third quarters monitoring be noted.
2. The Revenue Estimates for 2014/15 as submitted be approved.
3. That the precepts for the financial year ended 31 March 2015 be set at zero.
4. That the Board agree to the following increases to fees in 2014/15:

Purchase of Graves/Interment in Common Graves 10%

Transfer of Ownership 10%

Interment Fees 5%

Cremations/Interment of Ashes 0%

Memorial Fees 0%

Planting and Upkeep 0%

Miscellaneous Fees (excluding Transfer of Ownership) 0%

5. That the scale of fees and charges detailed within Appendix E are approved.
6. That the Board establishes it's next meeting in June 2013 to ensure that information is despatched to Merton's External Auditors by 30th June 2014.
7. That the board note the impact of the Surrey County Council Actuarial Evaluation of Pension Contributions and costs.
8. That the Board adopt Merton's revised Risk Strategy with the "Service" ranking of risk impact and review and approve the Risk Register attached as Appendix I

5. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC (Agenda Item)

RESOLVED: That the public are excluded from the meeting for the following items of business for the reasons stated on the public agenda.

6. LAND HOLDINGS PROGRESS REPORT (Agenda Item 5)

RESOLVED:

1. That the Board notes the position with regard to its land holdings.
2. That the Board authorises the completion of the Farm Business Tenancy in respect of Area C1.
3. That the Board endorses negotiations for a new lease of Area C on the basis of a three year term at an agreed annual fixed rent.

7. APPLICATION FOR ILL-HEALTH RETIREMENT - APPEAL (Agenda Item 6)

RESOLVED: That the Board agrees to delegate the hearing of the appeal to Pension Manager of the London Borough of Merton