

Overview and Scrutiny

Committee

Tuesday, 24th January, 2012

MINUTES

Present:

Councillor Phil Mould (Chair), Councillor Mark Shurmer (Vice-Chair) and Councillors Peter Anderson, Andrew Brazier, Simon Chalk, Andrew Fry, Bill Hartnett, Gay Hopkins, Brenda Quinney, Alan Mason and Luke Stephens

Also Present:

Councillors Michael Braley, David Bush and Derek Taylor

Officers:

R Dunne, J Godwin, L Hadley, S Morgan, J Staniland, L Tompkin and A Scarce

Overview and Scrutiny Support Officers:

J Bayley and M Craggs

Relevant extract from minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting on 24th January 2012.

Minute 153

ENERGY ADVISOR REVENUE BID 2012/13 – UPDATE REPORT

As requested at the previous meeting of the Committee, Members received further information on the revenue budget bid for an Energy Advisor to be employed to service Redditch Borough Council and Bromsgrove District Council (Appendix 1).

Members heard that the cost of the bid amounted to approximately 1% of both Councils' combined expenditure on gas and electricity. An important aspect of the role would be to identify appropriate locations where Solar Panels could be installed to help realise additional savings for both local authorities. It was the intention that, should the bid be approved, the Council would tender external consultants to undertake the work. Indeed, Members were very keen that the Council should continue to draw upon available expertise.

Chair

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RECOMMENDED that

the revenue bid for the Council to invest with Bromsgrove District Council in an Energy Advisor be supported as a high bid in the budget bids process for 2012/13; and

RESOLVED that

the report be noted.

The Meeting commenced at 7.00 pm and closed at 9.40 pm