



North Tyneside Council

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City Council



Joint Street Lighting Committee

1 October 2015

Present: Councillor N Kemp (Chair)
Councillors S Fairlie and J Stirling

In Attendance: N Eglintine Environment & Regeneration, NCC
Paul Nelson Environmental Sustainability Manager NTC
Paul Wheeler Democratic Services, NTC

JSLC01/10/15 Appointment of Chair (Newcastle City Council to Chair)

Resolved that Councillor N Kemp be appointed as Chair for the municipal year 2015/16.

JSLC02/10/15 Appointment of Vice-Chair (North Tyneside Council to Vice-Chair)

Resolved that Councillor J Stirling be appointed as Vice-Chair for the municipal year 2015/16.

JSLC03/10/15 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor J Harrison
Apologies also received from Ms V Taylor, Commercial Partnerships, NTC

JSLC04/10/15 Appointment of Substitute Members

There were no substitute Members reported.

JSLC05/10/15 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

JSLC06/10/15 Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 26 February 2015 be confirmed.

JSLC07/10/14 Street Lighting PFI Progress Report for 1 January 2015 to 30 June 2015

The Committee received a report that explained the standards used to measure the performance of the Service Provider and detailed the progress made in relation to the Street Lighting PFI contract.

Appended to the report was information that outlined the performance against a number of contract performance standards and local indicators.

Officers highlighted and provided explanations for instances where the time taken to repair faults occurred. There were no other performance issues to highlight.

The Committee was informed that improved reporting would be provided in future reports.

Members asked the position of SSE's proposed sale of the Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) to another corporate body and what effect this would have on the Street Lighting PFI. Officers stated that they had been informed that the contract would be transferred from SSE to another body to deliver and that both Newcastle and North Tyneside Local Authorities would not see and change in delivery. It was also stated that external legal advice maybe taken if the transfer was pursued.

The Chair stated that assurances were needed to ensure that the Street Lighting PFI was protected by any change of delivery body. He stated that the Committee needed convene prior to any sale/transfer of the contract to discuss any possible implications.

It was expected that any sale/transfer would occur in December 2015.

Resolved that (1) the report be noted; and (2) that the Committee meeting be convened prior to any sale/transfer of the contract to discuss any possible implications.

JSLC08/10/15 Exclusion of Press and Public

Resolved that under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involved likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 7 & 8 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

JSLC09/10/15 Street Lighting PFI Progress Report for 1 January 2015 to 30 June 2015

The Committee received a report which explained the financial aspects of the conduct of the contract in the 6 month period from 1 January 2015 to 30 June 2015 of the Street Lighting PFI contract.

Resolved that the report be noted.