

Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 1 July 2014 at the Town Hall, Royal Leamington Spa at 6.00 pm.

Present: Councillor Mrs Falp (Chairman); Councillors Boad, Mrs Bromley, Copping, Ms Dean, Edwards, Gill, Guest, Mrs Higgins, Illingworth, Kinson and Wreford-Bush.

Also Present: Councillor Mobbs.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs Blacklock, Brookes and Mrs Grainger.

13. **Substitutes**

It was noted that Councillor Wreford-Bush had replaced Councillor Gifford on the Committee as agreed by Council on 25 June 2014.

There were no substitutes.

14. **Declarations of Interest**

Item 8 – Review of the Work Programme – Racing Club Warwick, St Mary’s Lands

Councillor Illingworth declared an interest because he was a member of the West Midlands Reserve Forces & Cadets Association.

15. **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 10 June 2014 were taken as read and signed by the Chairman as a correct record subject to an amendment showing that Councillor Mrs Higgins moved that Councillor Mrs Falp be appointed Chairman of the Committee, not Councillor Mrs Grainger.

16. **Comments from the Executive**

The Committee considered a report from Civic and Committee Services which detailed the responses the Executive gave to the comments the Overview and Scrutiny Committee made regarding the confidential reports submitted to the Executive in June.

Resolved that the report be noted.

17. **Forward Plan**

The Committee considered the Forward Plan which had been published for July 2014 to October 2014.

Forward Plan reference 620 – Market Contract Renewal

The Deputy Chief Executive (BH) reported that this would be going out to tender.

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Forward Plan reference 603 – Sports and Leisure Options Appraisal

The Deputy Chief Executive (BH) reported that there should be briefings beforehand.

Resolved that the report be noted.

18. Review of the Work Programme

The Committee considered a report from Civic and Committee Services on the Committee's Work Programme.

To appoint Councillor Wreford-Bush as a voting member of the Health Scrutiny Sub-Committee

It was moved by Councillor Boad, and duly seconded that Councillor Wreford-Bush be appointed a member of the Health Scrutiny Sub-Committee.

Resolved that Councillor Wreford-Bush be elected a member of Warwick District Council's Health Scrutiny Sub-Committee for the municipal year 2014/15.

Review of the CCTV Task & Finish Group Report

The Committee was pleased with the success of the recommendations from the Task & Finish Group report from 2009 and pleased to note that other initiatives had also contributed to community safety such as the street marshalls. The Committee asked the Safer Communities Manager to provide an update on all the statistics and figures in the 2009 report to its meeting on 2 September. The Committee thanked the Safer Communities Manager for providing some additional information and attending the meeting.

Racing Club Warwick, St Mary's Lands

Councillors Mrs Bromley and Kinson were asked to present a scoping document for lessons learned at the meeting 2 September once they had checked there were no outstanding legal issues outstanding. If it was too soon to present the scoping document, the Councillors were asked to inform the Committee of a date by which it could be presented.

Task & Finish Group – Dog Control Orders

It was noted that Councillors Coker and Shilton were due to present a report on the Dog Control Orders report recommendations to the Executive on 30 July. The Committee requested that they be invited to attend its meeting on 29 July.

Resolved that the report be noted.

(Councillors Edwards and Mobbs both arrived at the end of this item.)

19. Executive Agenda (Non-confidential items and reports) – Wednesday 2 July 2014

The Committee considered the following non-confidential items which would be discussed at the meeting of the Executive on Wednesday 2 July 2014.

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Item 3 – Review of Warwick District Council / Waterloo Housing Group Joint Venture (W2)

The Overview & Scrutiny Committee supported the recommendations in the report. In respect of item 5.7.10 in the report, the Committee urged the Executive to closely monitor the Mortgagee in Possession clause for any impact on the Council and requested that the Finance Portfolio Holder kept close watch on this issue.

Item 4 – Service Area Plan / FFF Performance 2013/2014

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee noted the report and advised the Executive that it would be planning which issues to scrutinise at future meetings.

(Councillors Guest and Mobbs left during discussions on this item.)

Urgent Item – Bowls 2014 Additional Marketing

It was moved by Councillor Mrs Higgins, and duly seconded that the late report to Executive concerning Bowls 2014 Additional Marketing be discussed by Overview & Scrutiny Committee for comments to the Executive.

Resolved that the late report “Bowls 2014 Additional Marketing” be discussed and comments made to the Executive.

The Committee supported the recommendations in the report and asked that the Executive recommended that the event was advertised in all four towns and that the budget was increased to facilitate this if necessary.

20. **Public and Press**

Resolved that under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 that the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item by reason of the likely disclosure of exempt information within the paragraphs of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, following the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, as set out below.

Minute No.	Para Nos.	Reason
	3	Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

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21. **Executive Agenda (Confidential items and reports) – Wednesday 2 July 2014**

The Committee considered the following confidential item which would be discussed at the meeting of the Executive on Wednesday 2 July 2014.

Item 9 – Land off Radford Road, Royal Leamington Spa

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee supported the recommendations in the report and hoped that negotiations would lead to a reduction in the price.

(The meeting finished at 8.07 pm)