

Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 30 June 2015 at the Town Hall, Royal Leamington Spa at 6.00 pm.

Present: Councillors Boad, Bromley, Mrs Cain, D'Arcy, Davison, Edgington, Miss Grainger, Margrave, Naimo, Parkins, Mrs Redford.

Also Present: Councillors Cross, Mobbs and Phillips.

1. **Substitutes**

There were no substitutes.

2. **Appointment of Chairman**

Resolved that Councillor Boad be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the 2015/16 municipal year.

3. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

4. **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 8 April 2015 were taken as read and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

5. **Comments from the Executive**

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

Resolved that the report be noted.

6. **Review of the Work Programme & Forward Plan**

The Committee considered its work programme for 2015/16 and the latest published version of the Forward Plan.

Resolved that

- (1) a report be brought to the Committee in September explaining what Social Value in Procurement is and what is happening about this within the Council;
- (2) the report on the work of outside bodies by the Councillors appointed to them should continue in November;

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- (3) the scrutiny of Local Plan Infrastructure Delivery be agreed but deferred until after the Council has an adopted Local Plan;
- (4) officers draft a rota, for the Portfolio Holders to attend Scrutiny for them to be questioned on the performance of their service, for confirmation by the Committee at its next meeting;
- (5) the review of the Taxi Token scheme be deferred until the arrangements for health scrutiny are confirmed;
- (6) the quarterly updates on the Coventry & Warwickshire Local Enterprise Partnership (CWLEP) from the Leader of the Council should continue;
- (7) the scope for a potential Task & Finish Group on Sales and Lettings boards be brought back to the next meeting of the Committee for consideration;
- (8) the scope for the potential Task & Finish Group regarding St Marys Lands be deferred but a report be brought to the Committee in October providing them with an overview of St Marys Lands and the relevant issues that have occurred;
- (9) a briefing be made to the Committee in November 2015 on Housing Adaptations and the assessment process;
- (10) a briefing be provided to the Committee at the earliest opportunity to explain the Council's responsibility for scrutiny of Health and the work undertaken so far by this Council;
- (11) a report be brought to the Committee, at the same time as the above briefing, detailing how the work on the Council's Health Strategy is progressing and what opportunities there are for members to help influence this;
- (12) a report be brought to the Committee on the role and work of the Community Safety Partnership (CSP), the agreement across Warwickshire on the Scrutiny of Crime and Disorder and both the current Councillors involved in the CSP, along with Councillors Boad and Coker as previous representatives of the Council, be invited to attend the meeting

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and respond to questions from the Committee;
and

- (13) an item be included on the agenda for the next meeting of the Committee to discuss the Leisure Options briefing to all Councillors that is due to take place on 9 July 2015. There is no need for any officers or the Portfolio Holder to attend for this item.

7. Executive Agenda (Non-confidential items and reports) – Wednesday 1 July 2015

The Committee considered the following non-confidential items which would be discussed at the meeting of the Executive on Wednesday 1 July 2015.

Item number 3 –Housing Allocations Policy Review

The Committee noted the report.

Item number 7 – The introduction of a Pre-Application Charging Regime for development proposals

The Committee agreed to have a report back, to them, 6 months after introduction of the scheme, on how it was operating. However, they had no comments on the report at this stage.

(The meeting finished at 7.57 pm)