

***Summary of comments made on the Executive Agenda for Wednesday
8 March 2017***

Item 3 – Housing and Homelessness Strategy 2017-2020

The Overview & Scrutiny Committee supports the report, and in particular, is pleased to see that the Council recognises that action is required on student accommodation (recommendation 2.2 in the report).

Item 7 – Bereavement Services – enhanced service provision

The Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee fully supported the recommendations in the report.

Item 8 – Community Forums and Voluntary and Community Sector Spending Review

The Overview & Scrutiny Committee recommends that recommendation 2.6 in the report be amended so that the VCS Commissioning and Grants Panel membership should consist of seven **interested** members, one of which should be the Portfolio Holder. The allocation of seats by party membership should be removed.

The Executive are required to vote on this because it forms a recommendation to them.

Item 10 – Review of Approach to unauthorised encampments

The Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee supported the recommendations in the report, including the additional recommendation 2.7 as circulated in the addendum. Members highlighted the need to move forward with the identification of suitable sites at the earliest opportunity and welcomed the move to publicise the Council's responsibilities on the website. In addition, Members were pleased that a definitive Agency Contact list would be included in the protocol and requested that this be made available to all Councillors.

Item 11 – St Mary's Lands Delivery Plan for 2017/18

The Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee supported the recommendations in the report and commended the Working Party for their work to date.

Item 12 – Request for Funding for a Community Hub in Norton Lindsey

The Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee supported the recommendations but raised concerns that due to the request for funding coming from a limited company, which had the ability to sell shares, the Council should ensure its contribution was protected should the premises be sold on in the future. Therefore, the Committee agreed that an additional recommendation should be included as follows:

The Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee recommended that a covenant be added to any agreement to ensure that if the Community Hub were to be sold on in the future, there would be a mechanism to recoup any contributions made by the Council.

The Executive are required to vote on this because it forms a recommendation to them.

Item 13A – Procurement Exemptions – CIL Viability and Retail Planning

The Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee supported the recommendations in the report subject to the removal of the repeat wording in recommendation 2.2.