

HOUSING & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

23 APRIL 2024

OPEN

PRESENT:

Labour Group

Councillor G Rhind (Chair) and Councillor M Mulgrew (Vice-Chair)  
and

Councillors A Archer, S Harrison, A Haynes, J Jackson, D Shepherd  
and A Tilley and Councillor Taylor (substitute for Councillor D Pegg)

Conservative Group

Councillors D Corbin and J Lowe.

Liberal Democrats

Councillor J Davies.

In attendance

Councillors A Wheelton and K Haines

HCS/99 **APOLOGIES**

The Committee was informed that apologies had been received from Councillor D Pegg (Labour Group).

HCS/100 **OPEN MINUTES**

The Open Minutes of the Meetings held on 01 February 2024 and 07 March 2024 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair of the Committee.

HCS/101 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Committee was informed that no declarations of personal interest had been received.

HCS/102 **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 10**

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Public had been received.

**HCS/103 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11**

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Council had been received.

**MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE****HCS/104 CORPORATE SAFEGUARDING UPDATE**

The Head of Cultural and Community Services presented the report to the Committee and outlined the key areas within the report.

Members discussed the expectation of a Councillor's role in relation to Safeguarding and sought clarity regarding who the responsible person would be to report concerns.

The Committee was informed that it would be the lead officer of the Council, which was the Strategic Director (Corporate Resources).

Members requested that updates from the Safeguarding Working Group be reported to the Committee at future meetings.

**RESOLVED:**

**1.1 *The Committee noted the contents of the report.***

**HCS/105 FIELDS IN TRUST DEDICATION UPDATE**

The Head of Cultural and Community Services presented the report to the Committee outlining the key areas of the report and sought approval of the recommendations.

The Chair commended the report and noted that protected green spaces gave insurance that the areas would not be exploited in the future.

Members discussed the report and considered the officer's recommendations.

**RESOLVED:**

**1.1 *The Committee noted the progress of the previous dedication of sites with Fields in Trust and considered the protection of further green spaces with Fields in Trust deed of dedication designation.***

**HCS/106 COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME**

The Head of Cultural and Community Services presented the report to the Committee and sought approval of the recommendations.

**RESOLVED:**

***1.1 The Committee considered and approved the updated work programme.***

**HCS/107 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)**

The Chairman may therefore move:

***That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.***

**ANY EXEMPT QUESTIONS RECEIVED BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11**

***The Committee was informed that no exempt questions from Members of the Council had been received.***

**ARTS MELBOURNE****RESOLVED:**

***The Committee approved the recommendations of the report.***

**LONG TERM TO ROSLISTON PARISH COUNCIL****RESOLVED:**

***The Committee approved the recommendations of the report.***

**HOUSING SOLUTIONS STAFFING****RESOLVED:**

***The Committee approved the recommendations of the report.***

The meeting terminated at 18:40hours.

COUNCILLOR G RHIND

CHAIR