

ENVIRONMENTAL AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
COMMITTEE

30 May 2023

OPEN

PRESENT:

Labour Group

Councillor S Taylor (Chair) and Councillor K Storey (Vice-Chair) and Councillors A Archer, I Hudson, J Jackson, V Redfern, B Stuart and A Tilley.

Conservative Group

Councillors K Haines, A Kirke (substituting for Councillor Fitzpatrick) and P Watson.

Non-Grouped

Councillor A Wheelton.

EDS/01 **APOLOGIES**

The Committee was informed that apologies had been received from Councillor M Fitzpatrick (Conservative Group).

EDS/02 **MINUTES**

The Open Minutes of meetings held on 11 August 2022, 22 September 2022, 10 November 2022, 03 January 2023 and 26 January 2023 were received and signed by the Chair of the Committee.

EDS/03 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

EDS/04 **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.

EDS/05 **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

EDS/06 **CORPORATE PLAN 2020-2024: PERFORMANCE REPORT (2022-2023 QUARTER 4 – 1 APRIL TO 31 MARCH)**

The report was presented to the Committee by the Strategic Director (Service Delivery) highlighting the 17 measures for the Committee. It was reported that there had been significant progress for the year 2022-23 with ten measures on track and seven in red.

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) referenced additional information regarding the highest level of Planning applications received during the year 2022-23 and the steps that would be taken to clear the backlog.

The Chair was pleased to receive the progress report. Members congratulated the team and specifically the report on fly tipping, although concerns were voiced around the seven red measures. Members requested further information from Operational Services on recycling, waste and composting.

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) informed the Committee that the reduction in performance for recycling related to garden waste which had been impacted by the dry weather and would be reviewed.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee approved progress against performance targets set out in the Corporate Plan 2020 - 2024.

1.2 The Risk Register(s) for the Committee's services were reviewed.

EDS/07 **THE DEPARTMENT FOR LEVELLING UP, HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES CONSULTATION ON THE PROPOSED INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY**

The report was presented to the Committee by the Planning Policy Officer. It was explained that the consultation response was to consider a single levy to generate more funds for infrastructure by collecting contributions at the end of a development.

Members agreed the report was good but highlighted four key responses for discussion. Members agreed to no changes to question 28; a change

to disagree for residential annexes at question 38; no changes to question 40 and to reference retrospective applications in question 41.

The Chair summed up by agreeing with Members that it was an excellent report and expressed his understanding of Members points of view and comments. The Chair confirmed that over recent years the collection of Section 106 Agreement contributions from developers had been very well executed.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee approved the submission of a response to the consultation in line with officer recommendations as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report.

1.2 The Committee approved to amend the consultation responses to Question 38 to remove ‘agree’ and replace with ‘disagree’ and Question 41 to include reference to retrospective applications.

EDS/08 **EAST MIDLANDS AIRPORT DRAFT NOISE ACTION PLAN**

The Planning Delivery Team Leader presented the report to Members and confirmed that the consultation would close on 31 July.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee approved that a cross-party Member Working Panel be established with authority for determining a Committee resolution in response to the forthcoming East Midlands Airport Draft Noise Action Plan consultation and that delegated authority was given to the Chief Executive and the Chair of Environmental and Development Services to approve the response.

1.2 The Committee approved that the panel composition would be the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Environmental and Development Services Committee, a Member of the Leading Group from the Melbourne Ward, a Member of the opposition Group from the Melbourne Ward with an opposition substitute from the Aston Ward.

EDS/09 **THE DEPARTMENT FOR LEVELLING UP, HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES CONSULTATION ON ENVIRONMENTAL OUTCOMES REPORT**

The Planning Delivery Team Leader presented the report highlighting a new system for Outcome Reports based on a Member working panel. One of the key changes was the removal of economic focus on post development enhancements and streamlining to reduce bureaucracy. The consultation consisted of 26 questions with responses detailed in Appendix A to the report.

Members considered the responses and raised concern regarding a resource issue until data categories had been confirmed.

The Planning Delivery Team Leader informed the Committee that the Government department would determine the data format and standards required and that additional resources would be considered.

RESOLVED:

The Committee approved the submission of a response to consultation in line with officer recommendations as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report.

EDS/10 **COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME**

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) presented the report to the Committee.

RESOLVED:

1.1 That the Committee considered and approved the updated work programme.

EDS/11 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985**

RESOLVED:

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 would be 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.

MINUTES

The Exempt Minutes of the Meetings held on 22 September 2022, 10 November 2022 and 26 January 2023 were received.

EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

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

The meeting terminated at 19:00 hours

COUNCILLOR S TAYLOR

CHAIR