

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

11th June 2015

PRESENT:-

Conservative Group

Councillor Hewlett (Chairman), Councillor Smith (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Billings Mrs Coe, Coe, Mrs Coyle, Harrison, Muller and Mrs Wyatt.

Labour Group

Councillors Dunn, Rhind, Richards and Taylor

HCS/01 **APOLOGIES**

No apologies for absence from the Meeting had been were received.

HCS/02 **MINUTES**

The Open Minutes of the Meeting held on 16th April were taken as read, approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

HCS/03 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Councillor Harrison declared a prejudicial interest in the Sport and Recreation Facility Development and Strategy update item by virtue of being the Chairman for the Melbourne Sporting Partnership.

HCS/04 **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 10**

The Committee was informed that no questions from members of the public had been received.

HCS/05 **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11**

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

HCS/06 **REPORTS OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

There were no Overview and Scrutiny Reports to be submitted.

HCS/07 **HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES 2015 PRESENTATION**

The Director of Community and Planning Services presented an overview of the Community and Planning Services, with the Cultural Services Manager providing further details in relation to Cultural Services, and the Communities Manager providing further details in relation to Communities.

The Director of Housing and Environmental Services gave an overview of the Housing and Environmental Services introducing his Managers, Martin Guest, Performance and Policy Manager, Beverly Wagstaffe, Strategic Housing, Development & Regeneration Manager, Lee Carter, Housing Asset Manager and Chris Holloway, Housing Operations Manager.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

HCS/08 **SPORT AND RECREATION FACILITY DEVELOPMENT AND STRATEGY UPDATE**

The Director of Community and Planning Services introduced an update of the programme being delivered across the district which supports individuals in achieving their potential, along with a progress report on the individual projects stated below;

- Etwall Leisure Centre
- Melbourne Sporting Partnership
- Melbourne Assembly Rooms
- Grove Active Zone
- Wheeled Sports projects
- Eureka Park Outdoor Gym
- Chestnut Avenue Community Facilities
- Swadlincote Town Hall
- Overseal Recreation Ground

RESOLVED:-

That progress on the Sport and Recreation Facility Strategy and project development be noted.

That the allocation of section 106 Funds to the identified projects be approved and grants awarded as follows;

£31,588 to Etwall Leisure Centre.

£213,000 to Cockshut Lane Recreation Ground, Melbourne.

£20,000 to Skatepark project at Newhall Park.

£6,669 to Grove Active Zone project.

£10,000 to Overseal Recreation Ground.

That the recommendation to Finance and Management Committee that £213,000 be provided from reserves in lieu of identified Section 106 funds be made.

HCS/09 **SAFER SOUTH DERBYSHIRE PARTNERSHIP PLAN - 2015 REFRESH**

The Communities Manager presented a report to inform members on progress and additions made to the original document, and that the core budget, which is held by the South Derbyshire District Council, allocated for implementing initiatives to address the priorities identified in the 2015/16 Partnership Plan, was £290.000.

RESOLVED:-

That Members accept and adopt the Safer South Derbyshire Partnership's new Partnership Plan 2014-17 (2015 Refresh).

HCS/10 **CORPORATE PLAN 2009 – 15: PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT YEAR END REPORT 2014 -15**

The Director of Housing and Environmental Services presented the report to members and stated that during the final quarter's performance review, all Performance Indicators had now acquired green status.

Three queries relating to performance management were raised;
LP04 - Retaining Green Flag at Maurice Lea Memorial Park
LP05 - Reducing the number of vulnerable households experiencing fuel poverty;
SO1 - Average time (in working days) taken to re-let Council homes

These queries were responded to and noted accordingly.

RESOLVED:-

That progress against performance targets be considered and approved.

HCS/11 **COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2015-16**

Members were asked to consider the updated work programme and review its content where appropriate.

RESOLVED:-

That the updated work programme be approved.

HCS/12 **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 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.

MINUTES

The Exempt minutes of the Meeting held on 16th April 2015 were received.

**TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL
PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 11**

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received.

The Meeting terminated at 7:05pm

COUNCILLOR J. HEWLETT

CHAIRMAN