

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

28th November 2018

PRESENT:-

Conservative Group

Councillor Mrs Wyatt (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Atkin and Mrs Patten

Labour Group

Councillor Mrs Stuart

OS/31 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillors Swann and Murray (Conservative Group) and Councillors Dr Pearson and Bambrick (Labour Group)

OS/32 **MINUTES**

The Open Minutes of the Meetings held on 25th September 2018 were taken as read, approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

OS/33 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ARISING FROM ITEMS ON AGENDA**

The Committee was informed that no declarations had been received.

OS/34 **QUESTIONS RECEIVED BY 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.

OS/35 **QUESTIONS RECEIVED BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 11**

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

OS/36 **SAFER AND STRONGER NEIGHBORHOODS FUNDING STREAM**

The Communities Manager presented the report to Committee highlighting the Safer and Stronger Communities funding stream, explaining the application process and the projects that have been funded over the past five years.

RESOLVED:-

The Committee considered the current position of the Safer and Stronger Communities funding stream.

OS/37 **MULTI-TEAM WORKING (Scoping)**

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) updated the Committee on the examples of multi-team working across the Council, highlighting the closer collaboration between the teams within the Council and external agencies such as the Police, the development of service standards and the provision of grounds maintenance schedule. The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) explained that the main initiative was to establish a combined customer service, and provision for mobile reporting to enable officers to report issues whilst they are on site. The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) explained that in addition, it is envisaged that a customer reporting system may be a possibility, however, there would be a cost to the new IT infrastructure. Members agreed that the customer reporting system would be a great idea.

Members queried the grounds maintenance schedules. The Strategic Director explained that a paper is going through the group Leaders, she would like officers to be flexible and would be content with Members to discuss the way forward at Group meeting.

RESOLVED:-

Members noted the Multi-Team Working update and acknowledged the progress that had been made.

OS/38 **COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME****RESOLVED:-**

Members considered and approved the updated work programme.

OS/39 **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.

**EXEMPT QUESTIONS FROM 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 6.40pm.

COUNCILLOR S WYATT

VICE-CHAIRMAN