

Present (for all or part of the meeting):-

Councillors:

R P Cooke

I E Davies

J W Farnham

A S Harp

A J Perkins

D B Price

G O Rowlands

R M Sutherland

W S J Taylor

Cabinet Member - Councillor F A Finlay - Environment and Health Portfolio

Cabinet Member - Councillor J M Pert - Community Portfolio

Cabinet Member - Councillor R M Smith - Leisure Portfolio

Officers in attendance:-

Mr T Clegg - Chief Executive

Mrs E Fullagar - Chief Accountant

Mrs T Redpath - Corporate Business and Partnerships Manager

Mr R Simpson - Customer Services Group Manager

Mrs A Nevin - Health and Housing Manager

Mr A Bailey - Scrutiny Officer

#### **CWB10 Appointment of Chairman**

RESOLVED:- that Councillor R M Sutherland be appointed Chairman for the meeting.

Chairman - Councillor R M Sutherland - In the Chair

#### **CWB11 Minutes**

The Minutes of the last meeting of the Community Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee held on 10 July 2018, having been published in Digest No 245 were submitted and signed.

#### **CWB12 Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from the Chairman (Councillor A P Edgeller) and Councillors V E M Jenkinson (Substitute A J Perkins) and from Staffordshire County Councillor C V Trowbridge.

### **CWB13 Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee**

Considered the report of Councillor A P Edgeller (V1 20/8/18) on matters considered by the Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee at their previous meetings on 9, 16 and 23 July and 13 August 2018.

The Committee discussed the following aspects of the report:-

- The need for an explanation of all abbreviations used throughout the report
- In relation to the Staffordshire and Stoke on Trent Sustainability and Transformation Partnership (STP) - the need for an explanation of the future workforce pillar focused on widening participation and developing new roles at all levels to improve supply of staff

RESOLVED:- that in exercise of the powers delegated to the Committee, the report be noted.

### **CWB14 Final Accounts 2017/2018**

Considered the report of the Head of Finance (V1 16/8/18) that set out the Final Accounts position to the 31 March 2018 for the Community, Environment and Leisure Portfolios.

The Committee discussed the following aspects of the report, to which the Cabinet Member (Community Portfolio), the Cabinet Member (Leisure Portfolio), the Chief Accountant, the Customer Services Group Manager and the Health and Housing Manager responded accordingly:-

- The reasons behind the following variances:-
  - Environment Portfolio - Waste and Recycling
  - Environment Portfolio - Strategic Health Delivery
  - Environment Portfolio - Pest Control
  - Leisure Portfolio - Allotments
- The reasons behind the following Capital Programme slippages:-
  - Community Portfolio - Private Sector Housing Assistance
  - Environment Portfolio - Streetscene Equipment
  - Leisure Portfolio Castle - Health and Safety Works
  - Leisure Portfolio - MET Rigging
  - Leisure Portfolio - Stone Leisure Strategy

During the discussion, the Committee requested to receive further details in relation to the Council's remaining leisure and culture responsibilities including a staffing structure.

RESOLVED:- that in exercise of the powers delegated to the Committee:-

- (a) the Committee receive further details in relation to the Council's remaining leisure and culture responsibilities including a staffing structure;
- (b) the Final Accounts position for the year ended 31 March 2018, be noted.

## CWB15 **Performance Reporting 2018-21**

The Committee considered a report of the Corporate Business and Partnerships Manager that set out details of the new performance reporting arrangements that included the following three distinct elements:-

- Performance at a glance
- Narrative update against business objectives
- Improvement report

The performance and financial management details for those areas within the remit of the Committee for the quarter 1 period up to 30 June 2018 were also provided.

The Committee discussed the following aspects of the report with the Cabinet Member (Community Portfolio), the Cabinet Member (Leisure Portfolio), the Chief Executive, the Health and Housing Manager, the Corporate Business and Partnerships Manager and the Customer Services Group Manager:-

- LI21 - % of volunteers reporting an improvement in personal health and wellbeing
- LI124 - % of programmed health and safety inspections of businesses carried out when due
- LI25 - No of empty homes brought back into use
- LI28 - No of homeless preventions, including details of the numbers of rough sleepers in Stafford
- LI30 - No of Disabled Facilities Grants completed
- 2.1.4 - Implement the Litter Campaign project plan as well as keep the streets and parks clean and attractive for everyone to enjoy
- 2.1.6 - Refresh Streetscene strategy to ensure it is focused on retaining high quality environments in neighbourhoods, parks and Town Centres - the need for the Committee to receive further information
- 2.4.1 - To ensure all Council employees and Elected Members have an informed understanding of health and wellbeing and can understand the impact their role has on health and wellbeing
- Community Capital Programme - Disabled Facilities Grant
- Community Capital Programme - Empty Homes

RESOLVED:- that in exercise of the powers delegated to the Committee, the performance and financial management data relating to areas of activity within this Committee's remit be noted.

**CWB16 Work Programme - Community Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee**

Considered the report of the Head of Law and Administration, which presented the Community Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee's Work Programme (V2 23/8/18) for forthcoming meetings up to March 2019.

The Chief Executive explained that the Work Programme now included provision for the Committee to scrutinise appropriate items delivered through the Council's Service Delivery Plan up to twelve months in advance, which maintaining the flexibility to respond to any issues that could arise.

The Committee discussed the need for a future awareness session concerning the implications of the Homeless Reduction Act.

RESOLVED:- that in exercise of the powers delegated to the Committee, the Work Programme (V2 23/8/18) be approved, subject to the amendments made at the meeting.

CHAIRMAN