

Chair - Councillor J Hood

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

Councillors:

C A Barron

A P Edgeller

R J Barron

A D Hobbs

A R G Brown

R M Sutherland

A G Cooper

Cabinet Member - Councillor J M Pert - Community and Health Portfolio

Cabinet Member - Councillor C V Trowbridge - Leisure Portfolio

Officers in attendance:-

Mr R Simpson - Head of Operations

Mrs E Fullagar - Chief Accountant

Dr T Redpath - Corporate Business and Partnerships Manager

Mrs A Nevin - Health and Housing Manager

Mr J Dean - Democratic Services Officer

Mr A Bailey - Scrutiny Officer

CWB73 Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting held on 5 January 2021, as published in Digest No 272, were submitted and signed.

CWB74 Apologies

An apology for absence was received from Councillor J K Price – Environment Portfolio.

CWB75 Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee

Considered the report of Councillor A P Edgeller on matters considered by the Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee at their previous meetings held on 30 November 2020 and 1 February 2021.

The Committee raised the following issues contained within the report:-

- West Midlands Ambulance Service University NHS Foundation Trust – Community First Responders (CFR) Scheme
 - concern over the range of drugs routinely carried by GFR's in their voluntary capacity

- Concern that 37 CFR's had resigned since the implementation of changes implemented by the Trust
- Integrated Care System Delivery Plan – clarification of the proposals
- Covid-19 Vaccination Programme – An update on the success of the programme

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

CWB76 Community Recovery Update

The Committee considered the report which updated Members on the work that had been undertaken as part of the Community Recovery Workstream.

The Corporate Business and Partnerships Manager explained that there were huge difficulties and challenges that lay ahead for all of the recovery workstreams as the Council navigated through a third lockdown and continue to respond to the pandemic at the same time as delivering business as usual. The community recovery workstream aimed to gain an understanding of the longer-term impact of the pandemic and this was being kept under constant review as the landscape was subject to continual change. The report set out the progress being made in the last quarter in relation to community recovery.

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

CWB77 Quarter 3 Performance Reporting

The Committee considered the performance and financial management details for those areas within the remit of the Committee for the quarter 3 period up to 31 December 2020.

The Committee discussed the following aspects of the report with the Cabinet Member (Community and Health Portfolio), the Cabinet Member (Leisure Portfolio), the Head of Operations, the Corporate Business and Partnerships Manager, the Health and Housing Manager and the Chief Accountant:-

- LI8 – No of residents who think the town centres are clean and tidy – congratulations to the Streescene Staff for their hard work
- LI11 - % of businesses compliant with legislation under the food hygiene system and explanation of compliance with the legislation under the food hygiene system
- LI18 – No of disabled facilities grants (DFGs) completed – An explanation for the under performance in this area and the conditions of the contract

- 2.1.3 – Monitor the air quality of the Borough to ensure a healthy environment for our future -an explanation of the mitigation measures in Stone for the construction of HS2
- 2.1.4 – Monitoring of construction works associated with major infrastructure e.g. M6 Smart Motorways and HS2 – an explanation of the traffic mitigation measures in Stafford as a result of the M6 Smart Motorway construction
- 2.2.1 – Deliver the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) project to restore Victoria Park – Confirmation that all snagging issues and final payments for Victoria Park had now been resolved
- 2.3.4 - Support the implementation of volunteer led and supported schemes to help improve Health and Wellbeing – Support for the volunteers who operated Food Banks across the Borough
- 2.4.2 - Support the co-ordination of high profile events in the Borough, for example those run by Freedom Leisure as part of the Leisure and Cultural Partnership project – Clarification of the lighting for Stone Leisure Centre
- 2.7.1 - Provide a comprehensive housing options service to prevent homelessness and support people into sustainable accommodation – review – Clarification of the work with the Probation service and Yellow Ribbon
- 2.7.2 - Ensure sufficient, well managed provision of Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation – An update on the refurbishment of Glover Street
- An explanation as to why the Covid-19 Resident’s Letter cost £16k
- The need to support Bereavement Staff during the Pandemic
- Stone Leisure Phase 2 – An explanation of the reasons for the slippage of the project to 2021/22

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.

CWB78 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 for the forthcoming meeting in March 2022.

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

CHAIR