

Minutes of the Community Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee held at the Civic Centre, Riverside, Stafford on Thursday 16 November 2023

Chairman - Councillor A P Edgeller

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

Councillors:

K M Aspin P A Leason
J A Barron J A Nixon
A P Edgeller L Nixon
A D Hobbs J T Rose
P W Jones J Thorley

Also present Councillors I D Fordham , A T A Godfrey, J Hood, E G R Jones and J M Pert.

Officers in attendance:-

A Nevin - Head of Wellbeing
J Presland - Head of Operations

G McMullin - Environmental Health Officer
B Martin - Assistant Contracts Manager

V Cooper - Partnerships Manager

J Allen - Democratic Services Officer

Also present:-

G Smith (Business Manager) - Veolia

D Kitchen (Operations Manager) - Veolia

Before the meeting commenced, a minute's silence was held to remember former Councillor Mrs Christine Baron, who had previously chaired this Committee.

CWB15 Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 5 September 2023, as previously circulated, were approved as a correct record.

CWB16 Health and Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee

It was reported that Staffordshire County Council intended to produce an update report in December for consideration at the 16 January 2024 meeting of the Committee to cover the period September to November 2023.

CWB17 Veolia Annual Report

A presentation was delivered by Graeme Smith, Business Manager and Dave Kitchen, Operations Manager, both of Veolia

Members subsequently considered a report providing the Veolia Annual Report and Service Improvement Plan relating to the period from April 2022 to March 2023 in respect of the Recycling and Waste Collection Services and Dry Recycling contract that Veolia manage on behalf of the Council. This concluded with a Question and Answers session.

Members subsequently voted on the recommendation as set out, which was declared to be carried.

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

CWB18 Air Quality Update

Considered the report of the Interim Head of Regulatory Services on work undertaken by the Council to monitor the air quality of the Borough to ensure that it is satisfactory when measured against the Government's standards.

Members subsequently voted on the recommendation as set out, which was declared to be carried.

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

CWB19 Quarter 2 Performance Update

Considered a report providing Members with an update on performance for Quarter 2 of 2023-2024 for those areas under the remit of the Committee.

During consideration of the report Officers responded accordingly to questions relating to:-

- Insurance for litter pickers;
- HS2;
- Boxing group at Alleyne's Academy for young people suffering trauma;
- Funding from Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner for dealing with anti-social behaviour. Members requested a breakdown of costs.

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

CWB20 Work Programme

Considered a report presenting the Community Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee's work programme.

Members duly voted on the recommendation as set out, which was declared to be carried.

RESOLVED:- that in accordance with the powers delegated to the Committee the work programme be noted, subject to the amendments as agreed.

CHAIR