

Minutes of the Community Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee held at the Civic Centre, Riverside, Stafford on Tuesday 18 July 2023

Chairman - Councillor A P Edgeller

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

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

Also present Councillor R Kenney

Officers in attendance:-

I Curran	-	Head of Law and Governance
J Presland	-	Head of Operations
A Nevin	-	Head of Wellbeing
N Clifton	-	Interim Head of Regulatory Services
L Booth	-	Interim Neighbourhood Services Group Manager
J Wallace	-	Licensing and Enviro-Crime Group Manager
V Cooper	-	Partnerships Manager
J Dean	-	Democratic Services Officer

CWB1 Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 23 March 2023, as previously circulated, were approved as a correct record.

CWB2 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor P A Leason.

CWB3 Health and Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Considered the report of Councillor A P Edgeller on matters considered by the Health and Care and Overview and Scrutiny Committee at their meetings held on 20 March and 12 June 2023.

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

CWB4 Draft Sex Establishment Policy

Considered a report seeking approval of a draft Sex Establishment Policy for consultation purposes.

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 draft Policy be approved for consultation purposes.

CWB5 2022/2023 Performance Reporting

Considered a report providing Members with an update on performance for Quarter 4 of 2022-2023 for those areas under the remit of the Committee.

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

- Work of Veolia with Housing Associations
- Reporting of noise complaints associated with construction
- Statutory responsibility in respect of the Prevent, Safeguarding and Domestic Abuse
- Delivery of Disabled Facilities Grant

Continuing the debate, Members discussed levels of homelessness in the Borough and the associated support mechanisms available and levels of overall crime in the Borough.

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.

CWB6 Health Scrutiny: Joint Working Arrangements

Considered a report setting out the revised Code of Joint Working Arrangements with Staffordshire County Council in respect of Health Scrutiny.

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 revised Code of Joint Working Arrangements with District and Borough Councils for Health Scrutiny be noted.

CWB7 Business Planning Report

Considered a report reviewing the programme of business considered by the Community Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee in 2022/23 with a view to the report being submitted to the Council.

Members then 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 report be approved as its Annual Report to the Council.

CWB8 Work Programme - Community Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee

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

Councillor Edgeller encouraged Members to play an active role in suggesting topics for consideration, some of which could be examined in detail through the Task and Finish Review process.

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