

EAST STAFFORDSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

SCRUTINY (ECONOMIC GROWTH, COMMUNITIES AND HEALTH) COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting of the Scrutiny (Economic Growth, Communities and Health) Committee held in the Meeting Room at the Brewhouse Arts Centre, Burton upon Trent on Tuesday 19th December 2017.

Present:

Councillors A Johnson (Chairman), D Florence-Jukes, S A Hussain, R A Johnston, C B Jones, S McKiernan, B G Peters, Mrs L Shelton, S Smith, P Walker and C Wileman.

Officers Present:

The Programmes and Transformation Team Leader and the Principal Democratic Services Officer.

Also Present:

Dr Vivienne McVey, Chief Strategy Officer and Michelle Lee, Managing Director, (Virgin Care).

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors R A Faulkner, Mrs J A Killoran and S McGarry.

18/17 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor B G Peters advised the Committee that he would be attending this meeting as both a Borough Councillor and a County Councillor and that he was also a governor at Burton Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

Councillor S A Hussain advised that he was a member of the Burton Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

19/17 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There was no urgent business for consideration at the meeting pursuant to Rule 12.

20/17 **MINUTES**

Resolved:

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 30th October 2017 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

21/17 **VIRGIN CARE**

Michelle Lee (Managing Director) and Dr Vivienne McVey (Chief Strategy Officer) from Virgin Care attended the meeting and gave a presentation on improving lives.

The Committee noted that the service aims incorporated the following:

- To provide earlier support and more options for people;
- To make sure all organisations are working well together, integrating care;
- To streamline how our community services work;
- To avoid unnecessary hospital admissions;

- To reduce amount of time spent in hospital;
- To improve patient outcomes for people of East Staffordshire.

The service model included providing community services (i.e. district nursing; immediate care nursing; falls prevention; stroke supported discharge; community rehabilitation), supporting integrated care to Primary Care/Queens Hospital (i.e. diabetes; heart failure; frailty) and supporting unscheduled care (i.e. GP out of hours, NHS 111, acute admissions).

Councillors noted that the Care Co-Ordination Centre was now simplifying routes of access and co-ordinating responses according to patient need. The Co-Ordination centre consolidated eleven points of access into one, providing access to responsive and proactive services including nursing and therapy and retaining strong links with Adult Social Care to prevent duplication and ensure integrated response. Another role of the Centre was to facilitate discharge and prevent admission (i.e. coordinating palliative support workers deployed for rapid discharge from hospital and preventing admission at end of life).

The early supported discharge community stroke team offered specialist stroke rehabilitation and nurse support for adults with a new diagnosis of stroke and Councillors noted that there had been demonstrable improvements in outcomes for stroke survivors.

The Committee noted that future developments for Virgin Care included:

- Lumira Development (Scheduling/open to GPs and Queens Hospital);
- Implement and embed (East Staffordshire integrated frailty team; LTC pathways; End of Life Strategy);
- Improve Relationship with GP/Primary Care (continue to host regular engagement events; Continue to invite them to work with us on projects such as LTCs; looking to develop GP web page on our intranet);
- Care Coordination Services (telephony system; telehealth);
- Partnership working (to build upon relationships and become the Service Integrator Virgin Care aims to be).

It was noted that Virgin Care were not directly involved in the collaboration proposals between Queens Hospital Burton and Royal Derby Teaching Hospital, as they were a stakeholder only.

The Chairman presented questions which had been submitted by Councillors in advance of the meeting.

An opportunity for questions followed.

It was agreed to circulate a copy of the presentation electronically following the meeting.

Resolved:

That representatives from Virgin Care be invited to attend future meetings as necessary to update the Committee on any significant changes to the organisation.

At this juncture Councillor S A Hussain left the meeting.

22/17 **WORK PROGRAMME**

The Committee received an update from Lead Councillors on the work programme and an update from the County Council representative on the Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee.

The Committee noted changes to the membership of the scrutiny sub groups.

NOTED.

At this juncture Councillor S Smith left the meeting.

23/17 **CORPORATE PERFORMANCE REPORT 2017/18 – QUARTER 2**

The report of the Head of Service (Sal Khan) on the update on progress at the end of Quarter 2 of the 2017/18 financial year towards achieving the “Promoting Local Economic Growth” and “Protecting and Strengthening Communities” priorities as set out in the Corporate Plan was considered. The following appendices had been circulated with the report:

- Appendix 1: comprehensive data on the “Protecting Local Economic Growth” and “Protecting and Strengthening Communities” Corporate indicators;
- Appendix 2: comprehensive data on the benchmarking exercise co-ordinated by East Staffordshire Borough Council.

Councillors noted that out of the total of 117 targets, 22 contributed to the “Promoting Local Economic Growth” Corporate priority and that of these targets 18 were green status, 0 were amber, 0 were red, 3 were not yet due to be reported and 1 had been deleted. 36 of the targets contributed to the “Protecting and Strengthening Communities” Corporate Priority and that of these targets 32 were green status, 0 were amber, 1 was red and 3 were not yet due to be reported.

An opportunity for questions followed.

NOTED.

24/17 **EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORDS**

Councillors received for information a list of public Executive Decision Records.

NOTED.

25/17 **QUESTIONS**

Questions received from Councillors A A Chaudhry and M T Fitzpatrick submitted to the Committee prior to the meeting are appended to these minutes. .

26/17 **DATES AND VENUES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

Resolved:

That the next meeting take place on 24th January 2018 at 6.30pm and 21st March 2018 at 6.30pm at the Brewhouse, Burton upon Trent.

27/17 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Resolved:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972 the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it was 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 paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

SCRUTINY (ECONOMIC GROWTH, COMMUNITIES AND GROWTH) COMMITTEE
- 19th DECEMBER 2017

QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLOR M T FITZPATRICK

- 01 Can the Deputy Leader Planning confirm that the Section 106 Dashboard is up to date and the quarterly reporting mechanism is still in place?
Can the Deputy Leader explain why all members have not received a copy of this quarterly, as was agreed at a member briefing some time ago?
Will the Deputy Leader commit to put this in place forthwith?

ANSWER BY THE DEPUTY LEADER (PLANNING)

I can confirm that the S106 Dashboard is up to date and a regular updating mechanism is in place with the officers that update the spreadsheet. The quarterly reporting mechanism was in place in 2016/17 as per the then Corporate Plan but not included in the Corporate Plan refresh of indicators for 2017/18. Whilst I am not aware of an agreement for all members to receive this as per the quotation in the question I am happy for it to be shared. I have asked Officers to undertake this as at the end of December.

- 02 Will the Deputy Leader Planning please supply details of the number of new build homes delivered within the Borough per year for the past five years?
Could she also highlight which areas of the Borough these homes were delivered in?

It would be most helpful if the Deputy Leader could supply details of how many homes were brought onto the Council Tax rating list for the same period and with the same detail as mentioned above.

ANSWER BY THE DEPUTY LEADER (PLANNING)

The information is provided as below. Most of this has been previously published through the Annual Monitoring Reports and documents prepared for the 5YHLS, which are available on the Council's website.

Monitoring Period	Net Number of Completions per Year
April 2012 to March 2013	270
April 2013 to March 2014	234
April 2014 to March 2015	352
April 2015 to March 2016	459
April 2016 to March 2017	535
April 2017 to September 2017	304
Grand Total	2154

The completions per year broken down per parish are below –

Monitoring Period	Net Number of Completions per Year
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April 2012 to March 2013	270
Abbots Bromley	2
Anglesey	1
Anslow	2
Barton-under-Needwood	3
Branston	1
Burton	16
Croxden	1
Denstone	7
Draycott in the Clay	1
Horninglow and Eaton	65
Leigh	3
Marchington	5
Mayfield	3
Outwoods	19
Rocester	1
Rolleston on Dove	4
Shobnall	47
Stapenhill	6
Stretton	2
Tatenhill	3
Tutbury	4
Uttoxeter	58
Winshill	14
Wychnor	1
Yoxall	1
April 2013 to March 2014	234
Abbots Bromley	7
Anglesey	13
Burton	9
Denstone	3
Ellastone	1
Horninglow and Eaton	79
Kingstone	1
Marchington	2
Mayfield	1
Newborough	2
Outwoods	3
Rocester	3
Rolleston on Dove	3
Shobnall	78
Stanton	1
Stapenhill	4
Stretton	4
Tutbury	3
Uttoxeter	7
Uttoxeter Rural	1
Winshill	7
Yoxall	2

April 2014 to March 2015	352
Abbots Bromley	10
Barton-under-Needwood	2
Branston	2
Brizlincote	1
Burton	14
Denstone	1
Ellastone	2
Hanbury	2
Hoar Cross	1
Horninglow and Eaton	76
Leigh	4
Mayfield	1
Newborough	1
Outwoods	1
Rolleston on Dove	24
Shobnall	87
Stapenhill	26
Stretton	6
Tutbury	55
Uttoxeter	16
Winshill	18
Yoxall	2
April 2015 to March 2016	459
Abbots Bromley	5
Anglesey	3
Barton-under-Needwood	71
Blithfield	2
Branston	37
Burton	66
Horninglow and Eaton	70
Leigh	2
Marchington	2
Mayfield	1
Newborough	3
Outwoods	25
Rocester	1
Rolleston on Dove	3
Shobnall	35
Stapenhill	7
Stretton	30
Tutbury	72
Uttoxeter	6
Uttoxeter Rural	2
Winshill	14
Yoxall	2
April 2016 to March 2017	535
Abbots Bromley	8

Anglesey	36
Barton-under-Needwood	58
Branston	67
Burton	69
Croxden	2
Denstone	1
Ellastone	1
Hoar Cross	3
Horninglow and Eaton	18
Leigh	2
Marchington	2
Newborough	1
Rocester	1
Rolleston on Dove	2
Shobnall	18
Stanton	1
Stapenhill	8
Stretton	83
Tatenhill	1
Tutbury	35
Uttoxeter	73
Uttoxeter Rural	1
Winshill	27
Yoxall	17
April 2017 to September 2017	304
Abbots Bromley	5
Anglesey	26
Barton-under-Needwood	27
Branston	35
Burton	31
Denstone	1
Horninglow and Eaton	4
Leigh	1
Outwoods	2
Outwoods/Branston	22
Rocester	9
Rolleston on Dove	3
Shobnall	1
Stretton	66
Tutbury	28
Uttoxeter	32
Uttoxeter Rural	3
Winshill	6
Yoxall	2
Grand Total	2154

QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLOR A A CHAUDHRY

- 03 Will the Deputy Leader Cultural Services supply details of what play equipment has been removed from the Boroughs play areas and not been replaced in the last 2 years?

ANSWER BY THE DEPUTY LEADER (CULTURAL SERVICES)

No play equipment has been permanently removed from play areas over the last 2 years. A number of pieces have been removed temporarily due to persistent vandalism, these are due to be re-instated over the winter months.

- 04 Can the Deputy Leader Regulatory Services confirm that communication for the application of Selective Licensing has not been sent to properties outside the red line boundary of the Selective Licensing area pilot?
Can Deputy Leader also confirm that applications concerning properties outside of the pilot area will not and are not being processed?

ANSWER BY THE DEPUTY LEADER (REGULATORY SERVICES)

The Councillor has been informed of the answer to this question following direct contact with the officers concerned-the minor discrepancies between post code and red line delineation of the Selective Licencing area (identified by the ONS) have now been addressed.

- 05 a) Can the Deputy Leader Cultural Services confirm the process and who is responsible for increasing Cemetery Charges?
b) I am informed that the Council has written to one community advising £800+ charges for after 4pm. Can he explain this?
This undermines the cabinet and political responsibility.

ANSWER BY THE DEPUTY LEADER (CULTURAL SERVICES)

The Councillor has been informed of the answer to this question following direct contact with the officers concerned.

Question a) please refer to the Councils Fees and Charges policy.

Question b) the single instance of contractor charges being given in error has been addressed.

- 06 Can the Deputy Leader Cultural Services confirm that Cemetery staff are paid overtime as opposed to time off in lieu when working out of hours?

ANSWER BY THE DEPUTY LEADER (CULTURAL SERVICES)

Staff can choose whether they wish to claim an overtime payment or receive time off in lieu.