
SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 4 FEBRUARY 2016

Present: Councillors Fitzhenry (Chair), Fuller, Furnell, Galton, Hannides (Except Minute 45), Jordan (Except Minute 47 and 48), Keogh (Except Minute 45), Morrell and Moulton (Vice-Chair)

Apologies: Councillors Whitbread and Revd. J Williams

Also in attendance: Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport
Cabinet Member for Transformation and Chair of the Air Quality Scrutiny Inquiry
Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care
Cabinet Member for Housing and Sustainability
Cabinet Member for Communities, Leisure and Culture

45. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (INCLUDING MATTERS ARISING)**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 14 January 2016 be approved and signed as a correct record.

46. **FORWARD PLAN**

A. **TOWNHILL PARK REGENERATION: PHASE 1**

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Development, Economy and Housing Renewal detailing the item, "Townhill Park Regeneration: Phase 1" requested for discussion from the current Forward Plan.

Councillor Pope was present and with the consent of the Chair addressed the meeting.

RESOLVED:

- (i) that Cabinet Member requests that the HRA Business Plan be remodelled as a matter of urgency to reflect the updated inflation figures;
- (ii) that the Cabinet Member speak with Housing Associations, prior to the commencement of the tender process to clarify whether there would be any interest in Shared Ownership or mixed tenure development on the site;
- (iii) that the current timescales for the proposed Millbrook and Maybush and subsequent regeneration schemes be circulated to the Committee; and
- (iv) that information be provided to the Committee on the potential impact the developing devolution proposal could have on the estate regeneration programme, model and delivery timescales.

B. **PROCEEDING WITH PHASE TWO OF AN INTEGRATED SERVICE FOR CRISIS RESPONSE, REHABILITATION, REABLEMENT AND HOSPITAL DISCHARGE**

The Committee considered the report of the Commissioning Manger, Place detailing the item, "Proceeding with Phase Two of an Integrated Service for Integrated Service for Crisis Response, Rehabilitation, Reablement and Hospital Discharge" requested for discussion from the current Forward Plan.

Ms L Hayes, Mr Bundy and Councillor Pope were present and with the consent of the Chair addressed the meeting.

RESOLVED:

- (i) that the Cabinet Member reflects on the issue of parking charges at the Royal South Hants Hospital;
- (ii) that the Council reviews the language used when consulting with vulnerable people to ensure that questions are not leading and are easy to understand; and
- (iii) that the forthcoming development on the former Woodside lodge site include accommodation that could be utilised for limited periods of time to support people with short term care needs.

NOTE: Councillor Galton declared a personal interest in the above matter in view of his wife's employment to the NHS Trust – University Hospital Southampton and remained in the meeting during the consideration of this matter.

47. **AIR QUALITY UPDATE**

The Committee considered the report of the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport providing an update on the progress delivering the agreed recommendations from the Air Quality Scrutiny Inquiry.

RESOLVED:

- (i) that the Cabinet Member circulate the requested information relating to Real Time Passenger Information at bus stops;
- (ii) that officers identify and circulate the responses to the Committee relating to:
 - a) the resources the Council was investing in addressing air quality in the City
 - b) the resources that would be required in order to meet the 2020 targets
 - c) the resources that would be required to enable the Authority to submit bids for numerous grants available to support the achievement of the 2020 targets;
- (iii) that consideration be given to visiting retailers in Southampton who continue to sell coal fired products to see if the Council could influence their purchasing behaviours.

NOTE: Councillor Galton declared a personal interest in the above matter as he was a member of the Scrutiny Inquiry Panel on Air Quality. He also reported that he was a member of the NO Southampton Biomass Group and the WDCF (Western Docks Consultation Forum). He remained in the meeting during the consideration of this matter.

48. **TRANSFORMATION OF THE SOUTHAMPTON LIBRARY SERVICE - UPDATE**

The Committee considered the report of the Cabinet Member for Communities, Culture and Leisure providing an update on the transformation of the Southampton Library Service.

Denise Wyatt and Councillor Pope were present and with the consent of the Chair addressed the meeting.

The Committee determined to move into private and confidential session in order to hear and receive confidential information regarding the Stage 2 library submissions. In accordance with the Council's Constitution, specifically the Access to Information Procedure Rules contained within the Constitution, the press and public be excluded from the meeting in respect of this item. This was based on category 3 (financial and business affairs) of paragraph 10.4 of the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules. It was not in the public interest to disclose this because the information related to the submissions for the running of five libraries and was commercially sensitive.

RESOLVED that a confidential briefing note be circulated to the Committee providing an update on the progress towards the implementation of community libraries.

49. **MONITORING SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATION TO THE EXECUTIVE**

The Committee considered the report of the Service Director, Legal and Governance detailing the actions of the Executive and monitoring progress of the recommendations of the Committee.

RESOLVED that in relation to the action taken against recommendation 8, clarification be sought regarding the Managed Service Provider and whether the MSP would be required to pay the Living Wage (as agreed by the Administration, as part of the Pay and Allowance proposals) rather than National Living Wage due to be introduced from April 2016.