
SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12 FEBRUARY 2015

Present: Councillors Moulton (Chair), Coombs, Fitzhenry, Keogh, Dr Paffey, Stevens, Thorpe and White

Also in Attendance: Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport
Cabinet Member for Education and Change

46. **APOLOGIES AND CHANGES IN PANEL MEMBERSHIP (IF ANY)**

The Committee noted the apologies of Councillor Morrell, Revd. Williams and Mrs Topp and following receipt of the temporary resignation of Councillor Hannides (Vice Chair) from the Committee, the Head of Legal and Democratic Services, acting under delegated powers, had appointed Councillor Norris to replace him for the purpose of this meeting.

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

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 15 January 2015 be approved and signed as a correct record.

48. **20 MPH ZONES**

The Committee considered the report of the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport outlining the assessment of the 20 mph Zone Pilot Scheme.

The Chair proposed the following additional recommendations which upon being put to the vote, were rejected:-

- (i) that where there was support from residents, the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport be requested to give consideration to supporting discrete schemes in the City where speed limits were reduced to 20 mph; and
- (ii) that the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport be requested to give consideration to the establishment of a further 20 mph Pilot Scheme in a different part of the City in order that a more robust evidence base could be established.

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that officers be requested to circulate a breakdown of the costs identified with rolling out the 20 mph speed limits across the City to the Committee;
- (ii) that the Committee be provided with information from the Safe City Partnership on the number of Southampton residents who had been trained to use speed guns under the Community Speed Watch initiative;

- (iii) that the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport be requested to give consideration to the development of criteria for the establishment of 20 mph speed limits in residential areas where Early Years provision was located; and
- (iv) that the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport be requested to clarify the process that Councillors should follow when requesting 20 mph speed limits within their wards.

49. **SCHOOL STANDARDS**

The Committee considered the report of the Cabinet Member for Education and Change providing a summary of School performance in Southampton and setting out the National context for the future of School improvement work.

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that the Cabinet Member for Education and Change be requested to provide the Committee with additional information, including timescales, on the Administration's proposals for supporting School improvement;
- (ii) that, in partnership with Schools, the Cabinet Member for Education and Change be requested to encourage Councillors and Senior Officers to become Governors at Southampton Schools with the objective of having a Councillor and/or Senior Officer on the Governing Body of every Secondary School in the City;
- (iii) that officers be requested to provide the Committee with the Administration's plans to improve educational outcomes for "Looked After Children" and disadvantaged/vulnerable children;
- (iv) that officers be requested to provide the Committee with the reasons for specific ethnic minority group students in Southampton significantly underperforming against National outcomes as identified within the report; and
- (v) that officers be requested to include an agenda item on "Key Stage 5 Schools' Performance in the City" at a future meeting of the Children and Families Scrutiny Panel.

50. **MONITORING SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE EXECUTIVE**

The Committee received and noted the report of the Assistant Chief Executive detailing the actions of the Executive and monitoring progress of the recommendations of the Committee.