

EAST STAFFORDSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

Scrutiny (Climate Change and Environment) Committee

Minutes of the Meeting of the Scrutiny (Climate Change and Environment) Committee held in the Coltman VC Room, Town Hall on Monday 24th June 2024 at 6.30pm.

Present:

Councillors M. Slater (Chairman), G Allen, L Bullock, A Bailey, Mrs V J Gould, M. Holton, M. Huckerby and K Smith BEM.

Officers Present:

The Corporate and Commercial Manager (James Abbott) and the Principal Democratic Services Officer (Andrea Davies).

At the commencement of the meeting all present observed a minutes' silence in memory of Councillor Michael Ackroyd who had passed away on 21st June 2024.

52/24 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest at the commencement of the meeting.

53/24 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There was no urgent business submitted to the meeting pursuant to Rule 12.

54/24 **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

There were no questions from members of the public submitted in advance of the meeting.

55/24 **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE**

There were no questions from members of the Committee submitted in advance of the meeting.

56/24 **APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN**

Resolved:

That Councillor M Huckerby be appointed Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows.

Those voting for the motion Councillor	Those voting against Councillor	Those abstaining
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		Councillor
M. Slater		G Allen
L Bullock		
A. Bailey		
Mrs V J Gould		
M Huckerby		
K Smith BEM		

57/24 **PUBLIC MINUTES**

Resolved:

That the Public Minutes of the Meeting held on the 3rd April 2024 be approved and signed as a correct record.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows.

Those voting for the motion Councillor	Those voting against Councillor	Those abstaining Councillor
M. Slater		L Bullock
G Allen		Mrs V J Gould
A. Bailey		K Smith BEM
M Huckerby		

58/24 **SCRUTINY REVIEW PROGRAMME**

At this juncture Councillor M Holton joined the meeting.

Councillors received an update from the Corporate and Commercial Manager on the review of Community Engagement Mechanisms in relation to Climate Change. It was noted that the final report was close to completion and would be submitted to a future committee meeting for approval.

It was agreed that a review of the Impact of Green Waste Subscriptions on Climate Change be carried out, with Councillors G Allen and M Huckerby forming the sub group for this review. It was agreed a scoping paper for the review be put together and submitted to the next meeting of the committee, in addition to the relevant Cabinet Member to be invited to attend the next meeting to respond to questions from the Committee.

It was agreed that a review of the effectiveness of the Healthy Homes initiative be carried out, with Councillors Mrs V J Gould and M Holton serving on the Sub Committee. It was agreed that the Environmental Health Manager be invited to attend the next meeting to update the Committee on the initiative (Including uptake; effectiveness of the initiative etc).

NOTED.

59/24 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Committee take place on 30th September 2024.

NOTED.

60/24 **CORPORATE PLAN PERFORMANCE REPORT QUARTER 4**

The Report of the Head of Corporate and Environment Services, on the performance update on progress at the end of the fourth quarter of the 2023/24 financial year towards delivering East Staffordshire Borough Council's Corporate Plan, Leisure Services Contract Performance and Towns Fund Programme was considered. Appendix 1: Quarter 4 updates for all Corporate Plan targets had been circulated with the report.

Councillors noted that out of 132 corporate targets, 122 were green, 2 were amber; 6 were red and 2 had been deleted and that of the 130 live targets 93.85% were green; 1.54% were amber and 4.62% were red. At the end of Quarter 4 of the 2023-24 contract year a review of the Outcomes Scorecard's RAG ratings for the Key Performance Indicators in relation to the Leisure Operator showed the following: 75 Green; 1 Amber and 2 red. With regards to the Towns Fund Programme, Councillors noted project progress; key risks; current financial profiles and total spend and commitment claims for three projects was as follows: Canal Towpath Project (£157,821.28); Cycle Network Enhancements (£1,063,788.19) and the Specialist College Project (£3,504,278).

An opportunity for questions followed

NOTED.

61/24 **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 Meeting during discussion of the following items as it would 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 indicated in brackets before each item number on the Agenda

APPENDIX 2 QUARTER 4 LEISURE SERVICES CONTRACT PERFORMANCE SUMMARY; APPENDIX 3 QUARTER 4 TOWNS FUND PROGRAMME SUMMARY

PRIVATE MINUTES

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows:

Those voting for the motion Councillor	Those voting against Councillor	Those abstaining Councillor
M. Slater		
G Allen		
L Bullock		
A. Bailey		
Mrs V J Gould		
M. Holton		
M. Huckerby		

