

Minutes of the Meeting of the SOCIAL COMMITTEE held on 11 April 2016

PRESENT -

Councillor Jean Steer (Chairman); Councillors Tony Axelrod (as nominated substitute for Councillor Graham Dudley), Kate Chinn, George Crawford, Neil Dallen, Hannah Dalton and Jane Race

In Attendance:

Absent: Councillor Robert Foote, Councillor Graham Dudley, Councillor Alan Sursham and Councillor Peter Webb

Officers present: Kathryn Beldon (Director of Finance and Resources), Andrew Lunt (Head of Venues & Facilities), Alison Phillips (Accountant), Tim Richardson (Democratic Services Officer), Annette Snell (Housing Operations Manager) and Teresa Wingfield (Senior Accountant)

38 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Committee held on 28 January 2016 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

39 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made by Councillors in items on this agenda.

40 QUESTION TIME

No questions were asked or had been submitted.

41 ANNUAL REPORT ON CHARGING PROTOCOLS 2016

The Committee received a report presenting an update on the use of charging protocols during the 2015/16 financial year and requesting approval for their continued use. The protocols enabled officers to offer reductions against the published fees and charges for the Council's Social Centres within set criteria. The Head of Venues and Facilities informed the Committee that the availability of the protocols was a highly important tool for Officers, and enabled the continuance of certain bookings at the Centres.

The Committee noted the contents of the report, and following consideration:

- (1) Approved the continued use of the existing charging protocols.

42 PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT: PROGRESS REPORT THREE 2015/16 AND PROVISIONAL TARGETS FOR 2016/17

The Committee received a report setting out performance against the Committee's actions for Progress Report Three 2015/16 and provisional targets for 2016/17.

The following matters were considered:

- a) Format of report. The Director of Finance and Resources informed the Committee that this was the final Performance Management report which would be presented to the Committee in this format.
- b) Objective QL5 – categories of affordable housing. The Committee requested a breakdown of the categories of the 45 completed affordable housing units (detailed in the progress update for objective QL5 on page 17 of the agenda) and noted that officers would circulate this following the meeting.
- c) Reference to “The Epsom Centre” in Annexe 2 to the report. The Committee noted that it was proposed to rename the Longmead Social Centre as “The Epsom Centre” or “The Epsom Social Centre”, as it was a facility available to all residents of the Borough, and not just the Longmead area.
- d) Targets to provide services for the young. The Committee noted that Annexe 2 to the report detailed an objective of “Promoting healthy and active lifestyles, especially for the young and elderly”. The Director of Finance and Resources informed the Committee that this was an objective within the Corporate Plan 2016-20, and was a joint responsibility for both the Social and Leisure Committees. Targets for providing services to the young were the responsibility of the Leisure Committee.

Following consideration, the Committee:

- (1) Received Performance Management Progress Report Three 2015/16 and did not identify any issues requiring action over and above that set out within it;
- (2) Reviewed and agreed targets for 2016/17 as detailed in paragraph 3.1 and Annexe 2 of the report.

43 HEALTH LIAISON PANEL MINUTES - 23 NOVEMBER 2015

The Committee received and noted the Minutes of the Health Liaison Panel meeting held on 23 November 2015. It was noted that a report on the Public Health Meeting held at Bourne Hall on 22 February would be circulated following the meeting.

44 OUTSTANDING REFERENCES

The Committee received and noted the outstanding references.

45 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

The Committee resolved to exclude the Press and Public from the meeting in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 3 and 4 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act (as amended) and that pursuant to paragraph 10 of Part 2 of the said Schedule 12A the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.

Note: Members of the Committee were reminded of the need for confidentiality in respect of those items not considered in public

46 TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

The Committee's consideration of this item is recorded in a separate, Not for Publication Minute.

47 VOTE OF THANKS

The Committee passed a vote of thanks to the Chairman, for all her work on its behalf over the past five years. In particular, Members thanked the Chairman for her exemplary service and very caring approach to the work of the Committee.

The Chairman thanked Members and Officers for their work and support to enable the Committee to be so successful during her time as the Chairman.

The meeting began at 7.30 pm and ended at 7.58 pm

COUNCILLOR JEAN STEER (CHAIRMAN)

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