

POLICY AND PERFORMANCE SCRUTINY PANEL

Thursday, 30 May 2019 (7:00 pm – 8:37 pm)

PRESENT:

Councillor Gomer (Chair); Councillors Broadhurst, Cross, Allingham, Asman, Doguie, Groves, Tyson-Payne, Grajewski and Parker-Jones

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Couldrey and Jurd

RESOLVED ITEMS (SUBJECT TO QUESTIONS ONLY)

20. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation on this occasion.

21. MINUTES

It was AGREED -

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Panel held on 14 March 2019 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

22. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest relating to items of business on the agenda.

23. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chair thanked the previous Chair, Councillor Alan Broadhurst, for his work during his time chairing the Panel and welcomed Councillor Grajewski to the Panel.

The Chair also set out his vision for the Panel going forward:

- Being more in touch with evidence base
- Being more effective and efficient in use of time – use of task and finish groups for pre-scrutiny preparation
- Identifying training needs

24. PARKING POLICY

The Panel received a report from the Environment Lead Specialist on the Council's Parking Policy. The new policy consolidated a number of existing policies.

Key issues highlighted included:

- Houses of Multiple Occupancy currently not being able to access a permit; this was proposed to change in the new policy. There was concern that this would place strain on roads already at/over capacity
- Concern that when virtual permits are rolled out that this may cause neighbourly disputes as people like to see if their neighbour has a permit
- Need to ensure that parking enforcement is actually followed up
- Want to ensure that there are no gaps in the policy; will be an evolving document.
- Need to involve the right residents in the consultation
- The Panel need a representative on the Parking Working Group; Sara Tyson-Payne volunteered
- The Panel would hold its own informal meeting to discuss the issues and form a view.

25. CABINET FORWARD PLAN

The Panel considered the Forward Plan of Key Decisions. The Panel requested that they consider the following issues:

- Property Acquisition Policy
- Property Transactions – number of reports, urgency powers used etc

It was AGREED that the report be noted.

26. POLICY AND PERFORMANCE SCRUTINY PANEL'S WORK PROGRAMME

Panel members considered their Work Programme to March 2020.

It was agreed that two task and finish groups (TFGs) be convened:

Environment and Transport (supported by Jason Light)

- Tim Groves
- Gin Tidridge or Louise Parker-Jones as a substitute
- Sara Tyson-Payne

Scrutiny of Scrutiny (supported by Natalie Wigman and Laura Johnston)

- Richard Gomer
- Sara Tyson-Payne
- Jephthe Doguie
- Malcolm Cross

It was AGREED that the Work Programme be noted.