

POLICY AND PERFORMANCE SCRUTINY PANEL

Monday, 7 December 2020 (6:45 pm – 9:07 pm)

PRESENT:

Councillor Gomer (Chair); Councillors Cross, Asman, Broadhurst, Couldrey, Duguid, Grajewski, Groves, Jurd, Tyson-Payne and Tidridge

Also in attendance: Councillors Airey and Kyrle

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Doguie

RESOLVED ITEMS (SUBJECT TO QUESTIONS ONLY)

137. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Chris Cooper spoke live during item 6, Public Transport Operators.

138. MINUTES

Councillor Couldrey was marked as absent at the last meeting, but was in fact late.

It was AGREED -

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Panel held on 23 November 2020 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

139. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Gomer declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to the public speaker Chris Cooper who spoke on using open data as they work for the same company.

140. CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair advised that the meeting planned for the 4 February 2020 will be cancelled, but that the items for the meeting will be moved to other meetings so the programme will not be affected.

141. PUBLIC TRANSPORT OPERATORS

Cllr David Airey , Cabinet Member for Transport, gave an introduction covering the current challenges faced by the industry.

Cali Sparks, Sustainable Transport Planner, gave a presentation on public transport funding arrangements.

The committee received presentations from local public transport operators:

Paul Walker – Go South Coast (Blue Star)

Jonathan Lewis – First Bus

Stuart McAulliffe – One Community

And, received a written statement from Phil Blair for Xelabus who gave his apologies for the meeting.

The representatives from the operators shared the impact of COVID 19, how they are working to make their services safe and encourage usage again. They also shared the activities they are doing to move towards zero emissions by 2030 through use of initiatives such as introducing electric vehicles.

The Panel received public participation from Chris Cooper, a local resident who spoke about mobility and open data and asked the operators if this is something that would be useful to them.

The operators, all expressed an interest in using open data, with some of the operators already starting to do this.

142. CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN - SIX MONTHLY SCRUTINY

Cllr Rupert Kyrle, Cabinet Member for the Environment, introduced the six-monthly update on the Climate Change and Environmental Emergency Action Plan.

RESOLVED –

That the Policy and Performance Scrutiny Panel noted the content of the report.

143. NEW WAYS WITH WASTE

The Head of Direct Services provided an update on the New Ways with Waste project and the interim results from the pilots for zonal collections and food waste collection from flats which had been favourable.

RESOLVED –

That the Policy and Performance Scrutiny Panel note the proposed changes following the waste collection pilot and the restart of food waste collections.

144. EASTLEIGH HOMES DELIVERY STRATEGY

The Strategic Development Manager presented the Eastleigh Homes Delivery Strategy developed with the Panel's Task and Finish Group on Housing Delivery. The Strategy was a supplement to the 2018 policy that clarified how the Council will accelerate housing supply through its own direct delivery. The Strategy explained how the council will deliver housing through;

- buying land
- redeveloping its own land
- partnering with Private Sector developers

The Strategy clarified what the Council wants to achieve through direct housing delivery and to produce a framework to evaluate prospective schemes.

Councillor Grajewski left the meeting at 20:56.

RESOLVED –

That the Policy and Performance Scrutiny Panel noted the Eastleigh Homes Delivery Strategy.