

JOINT MEETING OF ACTIVE AND COHESIVE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE AND HEALTH AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 12th April, 2017
Time of Commencement: 6.00 pm

Present:-	Councillor R Wright – Vice Chair (in the Chair)
Councillors	Miss J Cooper, Dymond, Frankish, Gardner, L Hailstones, Heesom, Loades, Naylor, Northcott, Spence, Sweeney, Walklate and G Williams
Officers	Jayne Briscoe - Scrutiny Officer and Rob Foster - Head of Leisure and Cultural Services
Also in Attendance	Councillor J Williams (Portfolio Holder for Town Centre, Property and Business). Mayor (Councillor I Wilkes)
Apologies	Councillor(s) Burch, Jones, J Tagg and Woolley

1. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest stated.

2. **MINUTES OF JOINT MEETING OF ACTIVE AND COHESIVE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE AND HEALTH AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - 6 MARCH 2017**

Agreed - That the minutes of the Joint Meeting of the Active and Cohesive Communities Scrutiny Committee and the Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee held on 6 March 2017 be regarded as correct record of the proceedings.

3. **DEMENTIA FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES - WILL BOYCE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF APPROACH TO PRESENT**

Will Boyce, Chief Executive of Approach explained to members of the Joint Scrutiny Committee why dementia was an issue of growing concern within our communities. Will Boyce placed greater emphasis on living well with dementia than the negative views of the disease. He referred to the 2 most common forms of dementia and explained the difference in their profiles; members also viewed PET scan images of a healthy brain and a brain with advanced dementia.

Will Boyce concluded his discussion with an examination of ways to make our communities more understanding and tolerant.

Members thanked Will Boyce for his informative and engaging approach to the issue of dementia and in response Will Boyce offered his support with the proposed dementia friendly swimming action plan.

4. **DEMENTIA FRIENDLY SWIMMING ACTION PLAN**

The Head of Leisure and Cultural Services, Rob Foster, submitted a Generic Local Action Plan for Year 1 of a Dementia Friendly Swimming Programme which he and other officers had completed as far as possible.

Members of the Joint Committee were supportive of the proposals and agreed that a report be submitted to Cabinet explaining the proposals and seeking support to continue with the Action Plan and to implement the proposals.

To help with the completion of the Action Plan and subsequent introduction of the proposals Councillor Frankish, Councillor G Williams and Councillor J Cooper volunteered their help and assistance to oversee the project.

At this point in the meeting members of the Active and Cohesive Communities left the meeting.

5. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING OF HEALTH AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Agreed: That the minutes of the Health and Scrutiny Committee held on 11 January 2017 be agreed as a correct record.

6. **MINUTES FROM THE HEALTHY STAFFORDSHIRE SELECT COMMITTEE**

Agreed: That the minutes of the Health Staffordshire Select Committee held on 31 January 2017 be noted.

7. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

8. **URGENT BUSINESS**

There was no urgent business.

**Councillor R Wright
(Vice Chair in the Chair)**

Meeting concluded at 7.00 pm