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Health, Wellbeing & Partnerships Scrutiny Committee - 09/09/19

## HEALTH, WELLBEING & PARTNERSHIPS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Monday, 9th September, 2019 Time of Commencement: 7.00 pm

Present: Councillor Ian Wilkes (Chair)

Councillors: S. Burgess T. Kearon K.Owen

Miss J Cooper A. Lawley B. Panter J. Cooper H. Maxfield R. Wright

A. Gardner P. Northcott

Officers: Andrew Bird Head of Recycling, Waste and

Fleet Services

Robin Wiles

Also in attendance: Councillor Mark Holland Portfolio Holder - Leisure,

Culture and Heritage

### 1. APOLOGIES

An apology was received from Councillor Moffatt who was represented by Councillor Lawley.

### 2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Northcott declared an interest as a nominated County Council member with no voting rights.

## 3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

**Agreed:** That the minutes of the last meeting held on 19 June 2019 be agreed as a correct record.

### 4. UPDATE FROM CABINET

The Leader of the Council submitted a report which updated members on items raised by Committee members at the last meeting on 19 June.

The response from the Home Office to the request concerning monkey dust was circulated.

Safeguarding training for Community Hall management and Parish Councillors had been added to the safeguarding action plan for inclusion by March 2020.

## 5. MINUTES OF THE HEALTHY STAFFORDSHIRE SELECT COMMITTEE - 15 JULY 2019

A request was made for the Borough Cabinet Member, who is a member of the Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee, to submit a report to this Committee in relation to the items discussed at the Select Committee.

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**Agreed:** That the District/Borough Councils digest of the Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee held on 15 July be noted.

## 6. STAFFORDSHIRE POLICE, FIRE AND CRIME PANEL - 15 JULY 2019

**Agreed:** That the report of the Chairman of the Police, Fire and Crime Panel held on 15 July 2019 be noted.

## 7. CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE MINISTER FOR CRIME, SAFEGUARDING AND VULNERABILITY

This agenda item concerned the letter from the Home Office circulated and reported at Item 4 – Update from the Cabinet.

#### 8. DEMENTIA FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES IN NEWCASTLE UNDER LYME

The Partnerships Locality Officer updated members on the progress in relation to the Council's Dementia Action Plan together with activities to promote Dementia Awareness and Dementia Friendly Communities in the Borough.

The financial implications of carrying out the work with limited resources were highlighted with the role of partners in developing the database viewed as crucial.

Members suggested that outcome dates be included in the plan.

All Members would receive an invitation to attend the local Dementia Champion training with the aim that a Dementia Champion be recruited.

**Agreed:** That the report be noted.

#### 9. WORK PROGRAMME

The Chief Executive submitted the Work Programme for consideration by members.

Councillor Panter raised an issue regarding the relationship between social media and mental health and Councillor Panter agreed to report to a future meeting of the Committee following an examination of this topic. Councillor Panter also had an interest in the location of diabetes awareness clinics within the Borough and agreed to submit a report to a future meeting of the Committee on the results of his investigations.

Councillor Holland reminded members of the responsibility to undertake work which was directly relevant to this Committee with Councillor Kearon, in strengthening the direction of Councillor Holland's comments with a plea to members to focus on matters which were in the control of this Committee to influence. With regard to the frequency of meetings Councillor Kearon pointed out that Task and Finish Groups were a timely and effective way to scrutinise.

The report on J2, scheduled to be considered at this meeting, was not available and it was agreed that a special meeting of this committee be held to discuss the marketing of the facility.

**Agreed:** That the work programme be noted.

### 10. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

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

## 11. URGENT BUSINESS

There were no items of urgent business

## 12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 2 DECEMBER 2019

Chair

Meeting concluded at 8.05 pm

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