

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN & WEST NORFOLK

ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY PANEL

Minutes from the Meeting of the Environment and Community Panel held on Tuesday, 14th August, 2018 at 6.00 pm in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Saturday Market Place, King's Lynn

PRESENT:

Members of the Environment and Community Panel: Councillors C Sampson (Chairman), Miss L Bambridge, Mrs C Bower, A Bubb, Mrs S Collop, Mrs S Fraser, G Hipperson, M Hopkins, J Westrop and Mrs M Wilkinson

Members of the Corporate Performance Panel: Councillors B Ayres, P Beal, J Collop, H Humphrey and D Pope

Portfolio Holders:

Councillor A Beales – Portfolio Holder for Corporate Projects and Assets

Councillor B Long – Leader of the Council

Councillor Mrs E Nockolds – Portfolio Holder for Culture, Heritage and Health.

Other Members Present:

Councillor P Kunes

Officers:

Chris Bamfield – Executive Director

Louise Gayton – Unison Representative

Lorraine Gore – Deputy Chief Executive

Ray Harding – Chief Executive

Honor Howell – Assistant Director

Cara Jordan – Legal Advisor

Sue Payne – Unison Representative

By Invitation:

Colin Mitchell – East of England LGA

Representatives from Alive Leisure: Michael Andrews, Deborah Chapman, Tommy Goode, Peter Lemon, Dr Ian Mack, Nina McKenna, Simon McKenna, Nigel Maggs-Oosterhagen, Abbie Panks, Ian Trundle and Catherine Watson.

EC24: **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Moriarty, Parish, Taylor and Tilbrook.

EC25: **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

EC26: **URGENT BUSINESS**

There was none.

EC27: **MEMBERS PRESENT PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 34**

Councillors Beales and Pope.

EC28: **CHAIRMAN'S CORRESPONDENCE**

There was none.

EC29: **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

RESOLVED: That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

The Chairman explained that representatives from Alive Leisure would be permitted to remain in the meeting whilst they delivered their presentation and answered questions from Members. They would then be asked to leave for Agenda Item EC31.

The Chairman informed the representatives from Alive Leisure that there were two Unison representatives present at the Meeting and asked if they would be permitted to stay in the room for Alive Leisure's presentation. It was confirmed that the Unison representatives could remain in the meeting.

EC30: **EXEMPT - PRESENTATION FROM ALIVE LEISURE**

Representatives from Alive Leisure delivered a presentation to Members which provided information on:

- The role of Alive Leisure
- Their achievements and performance
- Response and concerns relating to the Leisure Options appraisal.

The Chairman thanked the representatives from Alive Leisure for their presentation and invited questions from Members present at the Meeting. Members asked questions relating to timescales, fees and charges, finance, membership levels and processes.

The Chief Executive thanked the Trustees for all their hard work and acknowledged that they put in lots of time and effort on a voluntary

basis. He commented that they had delivered the anticipated savings and provided a good offer in West Norfolk, which had been highlighted in their presentation. He explained that the purpose of the appraisal was to examine the advantages and disadvantages of the current arrangements and other possible alternative arrangements which could be introduced.

The representatives from Alive Leisure left the meeting.

EC31: **EXEMPT - LEISURE SERVICES PROVISION**

Colin Mitchell from the East of England LGA Talent Bank had carried out an appraisal on the Leisure Services Provision. A copy of his report had been included in the Agenda and he provided Members with a presentation which included a summary of his report and highlighted issues and recommendations.

The Chairman invited the Unison Representatives to present their comments on the report.

The Chairman thanked Colin Mitchell and the Unison Representatives for their reports and invited questions and comments from Members present at the Meeting. Officers and Colin Mitchell responded to questions from members relating to the report.

RESOLVED: That the Cabinet be informed that Members of the Environment and Community Panel and Corporate Performance Panel supported the recommendation as set out in the report.

EC32: **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Environment and Community Panel would be held on Tuesday 4th September 2018 at 6.00pm in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Saturday Market Place, King's Lynn.

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm