

Overview and Scrutiny Committee
19 JULY 2021

Present: Councillors: Tony Bevis (Chairman), Brian Donnelly (Vice-Chairman), Matthew Allen, Martin Boffey, Frances Haigh, Tim Lloyd, Bob Platt, Jack Saheid, Jim Sanson and James Wright

Apologies: Councillors: Jonathan Chowen, Billy Greening, Nigel Jupp, Josh Potts and Ian Stannard

Also Present: Councillor Ruth Fletcher

SO/18 **DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

Councillor Martin Boffey declared a personal interest in item 9 as he was a member of the Royal British Legion.

SO/19 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman announced that he would become the Horsham representative for the West Sussex Health & Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee.

SO/20 **URBAN GREENING TASK & FINISH GROUP**

It was agreed that the Membership of the Urban Greening Task & Finish Group would be:

Cllr Matthew Allen
Cllr Tony Bevis
Cllr Jonathan Chowen
Cllr Michael Croker
Cllr Ruth Fletcher
Cllr Billy Greening
Cllr Bob Platt

The first meeting of the Group would be organised in the following weeks.

SO/21 **WORK PROGRAMME**

There were no items put forward for inclusion on the Overview & Scrutiny Work Programme.

SO/22 **ROOKWOOD STAGE 1 COMPLAINT**

The Chairman stated that matters relating to this complaint had largely been covered when considering the Rookwood work programme suggestion form.

Members considered setting up a Task and Finish Group regarding the Key Decision Process and agreed that following a completed work programme suggestion form it could be discussed at a future meeting.

SO/23 **CABINET FORWARD PLAN**

Members noted the contents of the Cabinet Forward Plan.

SO/24 **THE DRILL HALL AND HIGHWOOD BRIEFING**

The Director of Community Services provided the Committee with an update on the Drill Hall and Highwood Community Service items coming up on the forward plan.

For the Drill Hall It was agreed there would be a two-year review period to allow for viable business cases to be submitted by Cabinet in January 2020. The outcome of this process would then be considered by Cabinet and then Full Council.

There had been three expressions of interest, however two of these organisations subsequently withdrew their interest. The remaining organisation, the Royal British Legion, had submitted a business case and would complete a sense checking process with HDC.

Cabinet had resolved in January 2020 to commit to building an extended alternate facility to the Drill Hall at Highwood. A scheme would be produced for this alternate venue and then opened to public consultation.

SO/25 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There was no urgent business.

The meeting closed at 6.46 pm having commenced at 5.30 pm

CHAIRMAN