

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Meeting of The Council

Date: Thursday, 19th July, 2018

Place: Council Chamber - Civic Suite

Present: Councillor D Jarvis (Chair)
Councillors A Holland (Deputy Chair), B Arscott, S Aylen, B Ayling, M Borton, H Boyd, A Bright, K Buck, S Buckley, L Burton, D Burzotta, T Byford, A Chalk, J Courtenay, T Cox, M Davidson, A Dear, M Dent, M Flewitt, N Folkard, D Garne, D Garston, J Garston, I Gilbert, S Habermel, R Hadley, T Harp, A Jones, J Lamb, H McDonald, D McGlone, J McMahon, A Moring, C Mulroney, D Nelson, C Nevin, D Norman MBE, G Phillips, K Robinson, L Salter, M Stafford, J Ware-Lane, C Walker, P Wexham and R Woodley

Start/End Time: 6.30 - 9.35 pm

154 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Evans, Terry, Ward, Willis and Van Looy.

155 Declarations of Interest

- **Councillor Arscott**

Development Control Committee – 6th June 2018

Minute 27 and 28 (17/02074/FUL and 17/02075/LBC Havens 138-140 Hamlet Court Road) – non-pecuniary interest – Personnel/volunteers of Age Concern are known to him;

Minute 31 (18/00579/FULH – 27 Glenbervie Drive) – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interest – lives in Glenbervie Drive (withdrew);

People Scrutiny Committee – 10th July 2018

Minute 131 – Schools Progress Report – non-pecuniary interest – Governor at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School (Assisi Trust);

People Scrutiny Committee – 19th July 2018

Agenda item relating to Schools Progress report – non pecuniary – Governor at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School (Assisi Trust);

- **Councillor Aylen**

Cabinet Committee – 21st June 2018

Minute 81 – Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Belfairs Park Drive – non-pecuniary interest – friends live in the vicinity;

- **Councillor Ayling**

Development Control Committee – 6th June 2018

Minute 27 and 28 (17/02074/FUL and 17/02075/LBC Havens 138-140 Hamlet Court Road) – non-pecuniary interest – Council representative on Age Concern a few years ago;

Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 12th July 2018

Minute 144 – Compulsory Licensing Scheme – disclosable pecuniary interest – Residential Landlord – However, as this matter could not be debated the issues of participation and withdrawal from the Council meeting did not arise.

- **Councillor Borton**

People Scrutiny Committee – 10th July 2018

Minutes 122 (Primary Care Strategy), 131 (Scrutiny Committee Updates) – non-pecuniary interest – daughter is a nurse at Basildon Hospital;

Minute 128 – Annual Public Health Report – non-pecuniary – DWP mentioned and is her employer;

Minute 130 – Schools Progress Report – non-pecuniary interest – Governor at Milton Hall School;

People Scrutiny Committee – 19th July 2018

Agenda item relating to School Progress report – non-pecuniary – Governor at Milton Hall School;

Agenda item relating to Scrutiny Committee - updates – non-pecuniary – daughter is a mental health nurse at Basildon Hospital;

- **Councillor Boyd**

People Scrutiny Committee – 10th July 2018

Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in all the called-in/referred minutes – attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

Minute 122 – Primary Care Strategy – non-pecuniary interest – Dr Garcia is at GP local practice;

Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 12th July 2018

Minute 144 – Compulsory Licensing Scheme – disclosable pecuniary interest – Residential Landlord – However, as this matter could not be debated the issues of participation and withdrawal from the Council meeting did not arise.

People Scrutiny Committee – 19th July 2018

Cabinet Member – disqualifying non-pecuniary interest in the Schools Progress Report; attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

- **Councillor Bright**

Place Scrutiny Committee – 9th July 2018

Minute 108 – Air Quality – non-pecuniary interest – works for the Minister for the Environment;

- **Councillor Buckley**

Cabinet Committee – 21st June 2018

Minute 82 – Requests for Traffic Restrictions – non-pecuniary interest – lobbied and spoke for residents on the Eastwoodbury Crescent Service Road;

- **Councillor Burzotta**

Place Scrutiny Committee – 9th July 2018

Minute 112 – In-depth Scrutiny Projects and Summary of Work – non-pecuniary interest – family business in the town centre;

- **Councillor Chalk**

Development Control Committee – 6th June 2018

Minute 25 (18/00669 St Bernards High School) – non-pecuniary interest – had previously worked at the school for 11 years;

Cabinet Committee – 21st June 2018

Minute 82 – Requests for Traffic Regulation Orders – Belfairs Park Drive – non-pecuniary interest – lives in the vicinity;

- **Councillor Courtenay**

Place Scrutiny Committee

Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in all the called-in/referred minutes – attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

- **Councillor Cox**

People Scrutiny Committee – 10th July 2018

Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in all the called-in/referred minutes – attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 9th July 2018

Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in all the called-in/referred minutes – attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

- **Councillor Davidson**

Audit Committee – 25th April 2018

All minutes in so far as they relate to South Essex Homes – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interest (was able to participate in the debate and vote by virtue of the dispensation agreed by the Standards Committee at its meeting on 28th February 2017).

- **Councillor Dear**

Development Control Committee – 6th June 2018

Minute 27 and 28 (17/02074/FUL and 17/02075/LBC Havens 138-140 Hamlet Court Road) – non-pecuniary interest – Council representative on Age Concern but has no involvement to date;

Cabinet Committee – 21st June 2018

Minute 81 – Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – non-pecuniary interest – friends live in the neighbouring roads;

- **Councillor Evans**

Development Control Committee – 4th July 2018

Minute 87 – 18/00688/BC4M – Belfairs Academy – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interest – friend of the Principal of the Academy (withdrew);

Minute 94 – 18/00443/ADV & 18/00758/LBC – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interest – Acquainted with the Chairman of the Football Club who has made donations to her charity (withdrew);

Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 12th July 2018

Minute 144 – Compulsory Licensing Scheme – disclosable pecuniary interest – Residential Landlord – However, as this matter could not be debated the issues of participation and withdrawal from the Council meeting did not arise.

- **Councillor Flewitt**

Development Control Committee – 6th June 2018

Minute 22 – 18/00634/BC3M – non-pecuniary interest – discussed this matter as a Cabinet Member;

Cabinet – 19th June 2018

Minute 54 – Provision of Syrian Vulnerable Person Resettlement Programme – non-pecuniary interest – has been lobbied on this matter by residents;

Health & Wellbeing Board – 20th June 2018

Minute 70 – STP Update – non-pecuniary interest – has lobbied on this issue;

Minute 72 – JTAI – non-pecuniary interest – cross cutting themes with his Cabinet Member role;

Minute 73 – Partnership Violence & Vulnerability – cross cutting themes with his Cabinet Member role;

Cabinet Committee – 21st June 2018

Minute 82 – Requests for traffic Restrictions – Eastwoodbury Crescent – non-pecuniary interest – has been lobbied in respect of this matter;

Cabinet Committee – 5th July 2018

Minute 100 – Permanent Vehicular Crossing Exceptional Circumstances Applications – Application No. 17/00112 – non-pecuniary interest – applicant's mother is known to him;

Place Scrutiny Committee

Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in all the called-in/referred minutes – attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

Licensing Committee – 10th July 2018

Minute 117 – Sex Establishment Licensing Policy Consultation – non-pecuniary – has discussed the matter with some Members;

People Scrutiny Committee – 10th July 2018

Minute 126 – JTAI – non-pecuniary interest – has discussed this matter with officers concerning the Police element;

Minute 127 – Provision of Syrian Vulnerable Person Resettlement Programme – non-pecuniary interest – has been lobbied on this matter by residents;

Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 9th July 2018

Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in all the called-in/referred minutes – attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

Minute 138 – MPR – non-pecuniary interest – Hate Crime Ambassador;

- **Councillor Folkard**

People Scrutiny Committee – 10th July 2018

Minute 131 – Scrutiny Committee Updates – relative works at Broomfield Hospital; Ambassador for the fund raising team at Southend Hospital;

Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 12th July 2018

Minute 144 – Compulsory Licensing Scheme – non-pecuniary interest – SBC appointed representative on SEAL;

Council – 19th July 2018

Agenda Item 29 – Opposition Business (STP) – non-pecuniary interest – relative works at Broomfield Hospital; Ambassador for the fund raising team at Southend Hospital;

- **Councillor Garne**

Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 12th July 2018

Minute 144 – Compulsory Licensing Scheme – disclosable pecuniary interest – Residential Landlord – However, as this matter could not be debated the issues of participation and withdrawal from the Council meeting did not arise.

- **Councillor D Garston**

Development Control Committee – 6th June 2018

Minute 27 and 28 (17/02074/FUL and 17/02075/LBC Havens 138-140 Hamlet Court Road) – non-pecuniary interest – people involved with the application are known to him;

Minute 36 (18/00254/FUL W5, The Shore, 22-23 The Leas) – non-pecuniary interest – One of the objectors (public speaker) is known to him;

- **Councillor J Garston**

Development Control Committee – 6th June 2018

Minute 27 and 28 (17/02074/FUL and 17/02075/LBC Havens 138-140 Hamlet Court Road) – non-pecuniary interest – people involved with the application are known to him;

Minute 35 (16/01723/DOV5 Marine Plaza land between Southchurch Avenue and Pleasant Road) – non-pecuniary interest – owns a property in the vicinity;

Development Control Committee – 4th July 2018

Minutes 92 and 93 – 18/01060/DOV5 & 18/00874/AMDT – Marine Plaza, land between Southchurch Avenue and Pleasant Road – non-pecuniary interest – owns a property in the vicinity;

Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 12th July 2018

Minute 144 – Compulsory Licensing Scheme – disclosable pecuniary interest – Residential Landlord – However, as this matter could not be debated the issues of participation and withdrawal from the Council meeting did not arise.

- **Councillor Habermel**

Development Control Committee – 6th June 2018

Minutes 36, 37 and 38 (18/00254/FUL, 17/015474/FUL and 17/01716/FUL The Shore, 22-23 The Leas) – non-pecuniary interest – knows the architect/agent who has undertaken some work for him in the past;

Development Control Committee – 4th July 2018

Minute 95 – 18/00690/FUL – 38 Towerfield Road – non-pecuniary interest – knows the applicant and has spoken on her behalf in respect of a previous application;

People Scrutiny Committee – 10th July 2018

Minutes 122 (Primary Care Strategy) and 131 (Scrutiny Committee Updates) – non-pecuniary interest – sister is a nurse at Southend Hospital; nephew is a physiotherapist based at Southend; brother is a paramedic with London Ambulance Service;

Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 12th July 2018

Minute 144 – Compulsory Licensing Scheme – disclosable pecuniary interest – Residential Landlord – However, as this matter could not be debated the issues of participation and withdrawal from the Council meeting did not arise.

People Scrutiny Committee – 18th July 2018

Agenda item relating to Scrutiny Committee - updates – non-pecuniary – sister is a nurse at Southend Hospital; nephew is a physiotherapist based at Southend; brother is a paramedic with London Ambulance Service;

- **Councillor Hadley**

Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 12th July 2018

Minute 144 – Compulsory Licensing Scheme – disclosable pecuniary interest – Residential Landlord – However, as this matter could not be debated the issues of participation and withdrawal from the Council meeting did not arise.

- **Councillor Harp**

- **People Scrutiny Committee – 10th July 2018**

- Minute 122 – Primary Care Strategy – non-pecuniary interest – Chair of St Lukes PPG and member of PPG Forum;

- **Council – 19th July 2018**

- Agenda Item 29 – Opposition Business (STP) – non-pecuniary interest – Chair of ST Lukes PPG and member of PPG Forum;

- **People Scrutiny Committee – 18th July 2018**

- Agenda item relating to Scrutiny Committee - updates – non-pecuniary – Chair of St Lukes PPG and member of PPG Forum;

- **Councillor Jones**

- **Cabinet – 19th June 2018**

- Minute 44 – Development Plan Review in relation to all transport matters – non-pecuniary interest – son works for C2C;

- **Place Scrutiny Committee – 9th July 2018**

- Minute 106 - Development Plan Review in relation to all transport matters – non-pecuniary interest – son works for C2C;

- Minute 108 – Air Quality – non-pecuniary interest – husband works in motor industry in the import and export of petrol and diesel engines;

- **Councillor Lamb**

- **Cabinet – 19th June 2018**

- Minute 45 – Social Value Policy – non-pecuniary interest – Trustee of SAVS;

- **Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 9th July 2018**

- Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in all the called-in/referred minutes – attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

- **Councillor McDonald**

- **Development Control Committee – 4th July 2018**

- Minutes 87 and 89 – 18/00688/BC4M (Belfairs Academy) and 18/00629/AMDT (Shoeburyness High School) – non-pecuniary interest – works for a charity that provides support services to both schools;

- **Cabinet Committee – 5th July 2018**

- Minute 100 – Permanent Vehicular Crossing Exceptional Circumstances Applications – Application No. 17/00112 – non-pecuniary interest – applicant's mother is known to her;

- **Councillor McGlone**

- **Cabinet Committee – 21st June 2018**

- Minute 82 – Requests for Traffic Restrictions (Eastwoodbury Crescent)– non-pecuniary interest – is known to some residents as the Ward Councillor;

- **Councillor McMahon**

Place Scrutiny Committee – 9th July 2018

Minute 109 – Ambition Southend Strategy – non-pecuniary interest – her employment role is to support and advise people with complex/serious mental health needs;

Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 12th July 2018

Minute 140 – Annual Report – non-pecuniary interest – been a night shelter worker; member of SCF provision of services for the homeless; co-founder of HARP – homeless facilities in Southend;

People Scrutiny Committee – 18th July 2018

Agenda item relating to Scrutiny Committee - updates – non-pecuniary – Conservative member for Kursaal – Better Start Ward Panel; NHS retired nurse; work within EPUT facilities as an Advocate.

- **Councillor Mulroney**

Development Control Committee – 6th June 2018

Minute 33 (18/00484/FULM – Rileys, 258 Leigh Road) – non-pecuniary interest – Member of Leigh Town Council (non-participant in planning);

Cabinet – 19th June 2018

Minute 52 – Wheeled Sports Facility – non-pecuniary interest – member of Development Control Committee;

Development Control – 4th July 2018

Minute 87 (18/00688/BC4M – Belfairs Academy) – non-pecuniary interest – Member of Leigh Town Council (non-participant in planning);

Place Scrutiny Committee – 9th July 2018

Minute 110 – Wheeled Sports Facility – non-pecuniary interest – member of Development Control Committee;

People Scrutiny Committee – 10th July 2018

Minute 122 – Primary Care Strategy – non-pecuniary interest – patient at Dr Garcia surgery;

- **Councillor Nelson**

Council – 19th July 2018

Agenda Item 29 – Opposition Business – non-pecuniary interest – wife is a nurse at Southend Hospital and the local MP is his employer;

- **Councillor Nevin**

People Scrutiny Committee – 10th July 2018

Minute 128 – Annual Public Health Report – non-pecuniary interest – niece works for Public Health England;

Minute 131 – Scrutiny Committee Updates – non-pecuniary interest – previous employee at Southend Hospital; NHS Employee at Barts; 2 children work at MEHT and sister works for Basildon Hospital;

People Scrutiny Committee – 18th July 2018

Agenda item relating to Scrutiny Committee – updates – non-pecuniary – works in NHS outside area; Previous employee at Southend Hospital; 2 children work at MEHT and step sister works at Basildon Hospital;

- **Councillor Phillips**

Place Scrutiny Committee – 9th July 2018

Minute 108 – Air Quality – non-pecuniary interest – son works for DEFRA;

- **Councillor Salter**

Health and Wellbeing Board – 20th June 2018

Minute 70 – STP Update – non-pecuniary interest – husband is a consultant surgeon at Southend Hospital and hold senior posts at the hospital; son-in-law is a GP; daughter is a doctor at Broomfield Hospital;

Place Scrutiny Committee – 9th July 2018

Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in all the called-in/referred minutes – attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

People Scrutiny Committee – 10th July 2018

Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in all the called-in/referred minutes – attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

Minutes 122 (Primary Care Strategy) and 131 (Scrutiny Updates) – non-pecuniary interest – husband is consultant surgeon at Southend Hospital and holds senior post at hospital; son-in-law is GP; daughter is a doctor at Broomfield Hospital;

Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 9th July 2018

Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in all the called-in/referred minutes – attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;

Minute 144 – Compulsory Licensing Scheme – disclosable pecuniary interest – Residential Landlord – However, as this matter could not be debated the issues of participation and withdrawal from the Council meeting did not arise.

Council – 19th July 2018

Agenda Item 29 – Opposition Business (STP) – non-pecuniary interest – husband is a consultant surgeon at Southend Hospital and hold senior posts at the hospital; son-in-law is a GP; daughter is a doctor at Broomfield Hospital;

- **Councillor Van Looy**

Cabinet Committee – 21st June 2018

Minute 81 – Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Ambleside Drive – Non-pecuniary interest – friends and relatives live in the area;

Development Control Committee – 4th July 2018

Minute 88 – 17/01180/FULM – 636 Southchurch Road – non-pecuniary interest – owns a business in Southchurch Road;

- **Councillor Walker**

Development Control Committee – 6th June 2018

Minute 27 and 28 (17/02074/FUL and 17/02075/LBC Havens 138-140 Hamlet Court Road) – non-pecuniary interest – Personnel/volunteers of Age Concern are known to him;

Minute 35 (16/01723/DOV5 Marine Plaza land between Southchurch Avenue and Pleasant Road – non-pecuniary interest (withdrew from the meeting whilst the application was considered on the basis of pre-determination);

Cabinet – 19th June 2018

Minute 55 – Consultation on St Mary's Prittlewell CofE Primary School Permanent Expansion – non-pecuniary interest – attends the school on a weekly basis with the Southend Boys and Girls choir;

People Scrutiny Committee – 19th July 2018

Agenda item relating to School Progress report – non-pecuniary – wife teaches at West Leigh Schools; Southend Boys & Girls Training Choirs rehearse at St Mary's School;

- **Councillor Ward**

Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee – 12th July 2018

Minute 144 – Compulsory Licensing Scheme – disclosable pecuniary interest – Residential Landlord – However, as this matter could not be debated the issues of participation and withdrawal from the Council meeting did not arise.

- **Councillor Ware-Lane**

Cabinet Committee – 21st June 2018

Minute 81 – Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders – Windsor Road & Osborne Road – non-pecuniary interest – lives in the area;

People Scrutiny Committee – 10th July 2018

Minute 122 – Primary Care Strategy – non-pecuniary interest - family members work for NHS;

Minute 123 – MPR – non-pecuniary interest - daughter is a social worker;

Minute 130 - Schools Progress Report – non-pecuniary interest - partner works in a school;

Council – 19th July 2018

Agenda Item 29 – Opposition Business (STP) – non-pecuniary interest – family members work for NHS;

- **Councillor Wexham**

Development Control Committee – 6th June 2018

Minutes 36, 37 and 38 (18/00254/FUL, 17/015474/FUL and 17/01716/FUL The Shore, 22-23 The Leas) – non-pecuniary interest – knows the architect/agent as a former officer of the Council;

156 Communications

The Council stood for a one minute silence as a mark of respect to former Councillors Mr Richard Brown, Mr Nigel Baker and Mrs Daphne White who had recently passed away.

157 Questions from Members of the Public

The relevant Cabinet Members responded to written questions received from two members of the public.

158 Questions from Members of the Council

The relevant Cabinet Members responded to questions received from Councillor Aylen.

159 Petition - Parking Restrictions Earls Hall Avenue

Councillor Davidson presented a petition on behalf of local residents containing 102 signatures requesting the Council to introduce a double yellow line parking restriction on the south side of Earls Hall Avenue.

Resolved:

That in accordance with Standing Order 15.7 the petition be referred to the Cabinet Committee.

160 Minutes of the Special Council meeting held on Thursday 19th April 2018

Resolved:-

That the Minutes of the Special Meeting held on Thursday 19th April 2018 be confirmed as a correct record and signed.

161 Minutes of the Council meeting held on Thursday 19th April 2018

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 19th April 2018 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

162 Minutes of the Annual Council meeting held on Thursday 10th May 2018

Resolved:

That the minutes of the Annual Council meeting held on Thursday 10th May 2018 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

163 Minutes of the Appointments Council held Thursday 17th May 2018

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 17th May 2018 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

164 Minutes of the meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee B held Friday, 13 April 2018

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

165 Minutes of the meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee C held Wednesday, 25 April 2018

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

166 Minutes of the meeting of Audit Committee held Wednesday, 25 April 2018

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

167 Minutes of the meeting of Licensing Sub-Committee A held Thursday, 26 April 2018

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

168 Minutes of the meeting of Development Control Committee held Wednesday, 6th June 2018

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

169 Minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held Tuesday, 19th June 2018

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted and the recommendations contained in Minutes 44, 51, 57, 58 and 59 be approved.

170 Minutes of the meeting of Licensing Sub Committee A held Wednesday, 20th June 2018

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

171 Minutes of the meeting of the Health & Wellbeing Board held Wednesday, 20th June 2018

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

172 Minutes of the meeting of Cabinet Committee held Thursday, 21st June 2018

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

173 Minutes of the meeting of Development Control Committee held Wednesday, 4th July 2018

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

174 Minutes of the meeting of Cabinet Committee (PVX) held Thursday, 5th July 2018

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

175 Minutes of the meeting of Place Scrutiny Committee held Monday, 9th July 2018

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted and the recommendations in Minute 106 be approved.

176 Minutes of the meeting of Licensing Committee held Tuesday, 10th July 2018

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

177 Minutes of the meeting of People Scrutiny Committee held Tuesday, 10th July 2018

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

178 Minutes of the meeting of Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee held Thursday, 12th July 2018

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted and that the following Members be appointed to the Joint Scrutiny Working Party:

Councillor J Garston
Councillor D Nelson
Councillor N Folkard
Councillor D McGlone
Councillor K Buck
Councillor K Robinson (Chair)
Councillor I Gilbert
Councillor B Ayling

179 Minutes of the People Scrutiny Committee held Thursday, 19th July 2018

Resolved:

That the minutes of this meeting be noted.

180 Notice of Motion - Motor Neurone Disease Charter

Resolved:

That, in accordance with Standing Order 8.4, the following Notice of Motion, be referred to the Cabinet:

'Motor Neurone Disease (MND) Charter

That this Council adopts the Motor Neurone Disease (MND) charter and thereby supports achieving quality of life, dignity and respect for people with MND and their carers.

The Council notes that over 60 councils across the country have signed up to the Motor Neurone Disease (MND) Charter

The Charter is made up of 5 points:

1. People with MND have the right to an early diagnosis and information;
2. People with MND have the right to access quality care and treatments;
3. People with MND have the right to be treated as individuals and with dignity and respect;
4. People with MND have the right to maximise their quality of life; and
5. Carers of people with MND have the right to be valued, respected, listened to and well supported.

Background:

The Motor Neurone Disease (MND) Association, five-point MND Charter sets out the rights of people with MND and their carers and the pillars of good care and support. Five people a day die in the UK from MND. It is a rapidly progressive, fatal disease that can affect any adult at any time. The disease leaves people unable to walk, talk or feed themselves. The cause of MND is unknown and there is no cure.

** MND is a fatal, neurological disease for which there is no effective treatment and no cure.*

** MND kills five people in the UK every day.*

** Today there are 5,000 people living with MND in the UK. Life expectancy from diagnosis is two to five years*

** It can affect any adult at any age. Imagine being trapped inside a body that can't move.*

** MND attacks the nerves that control movement; people with MND can still think and feel, but their muscles refuse to work. As these nerves die, the muscles weaken and waste, leaving people locked in a failing body, unable to move, walk or talk.*

Why should councils adopt the charter?

Many decisions about services used by people with MND, such as social care, housing adaptations and support for carers, are made at the local level by councillors. Currently, there are significant differences in the quality of services available to people with MND locally, depending on where they happen to live. As such, it is important that councillors, and all those working for and with the council, understand the needs of people with MND and their carers. While councils aren't responsible for everything outlined in the MND Charter, they are a significant part of the jigsaw. When services such as social care and housing are provided in a timely person-centred way, this has a huge impact on the person with MND and their family. MND is a devastating, complex disease and particularly difficult to manage. If a council can get it right for MND, it can get it right for residents with other neurological conditions and disabilities too.

The MND Association is the only national charity in England, Wales and Northern Ireland that funds and promotes global research into the disease and provides care and support for people affected by MND.

Moved by Councillor Julian Ware-Lane
Seconded by Councillor Tony Cox

181 Changes to Calendar of Meetings 2018/19

The Council was advised that the report proposing the deletion of the March 2019 Cabinet cycle was withdrawn from the Council agenda, save that the Council was asked to agree a change of date of the Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee from 11th October to 10th October 2018.

Resolved:

That the Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday 11th October be moved to Wednesday 10th October 2018 and the Calendar of Meetings for 2018/19 be amended accordingly.

182 Opposition Business: Latest Developments in the Mid & South Essex STP and related healthcare matters

In accordance with Standing Order 19 the Labour Group requested that the Mid & South Essex STP, be debated this evening.

Councillor Gilbert proposed and Councillor Woodley seconded the following motion:

'The proposed changes in health and care provision in Southend and across the Mid and South Essex footprint are destined to bring lasting change to care provided to patients. That change must carry a guarantee of better patient outcomes for everyone who needs care. The recent consultation on the measures in the Sustainability and Transformation Plan did not set out the impact of proposed changes and evidence of patient outcomes has not been demonstrated despite requests from the People Scrutiny Committee, the Joint Health Overview Committee, Southend Health and Wellbeing Board, and individual councillors, over a period of 18 months. Proposals by the STP Team

are still unclear even though the potential for amendment of those proposals has almost concluded.

The council therefore asks for the following to be placed on record.

Earlier this year, the Council's response to the STP consultation expressed dissatisfaction with the STP proposals in a number of very important areas:

- We would not support the STP without better rationale and evidence for moving stroke services to Basildon Hospital*
- We said that the proposals are weak in terms of guaranteeing investment in localities without the impact of which, the acute reconfiguration is not viable.*
- We believed that proposals around transport and transfers were unclear and poorly defined, and would not be able to support the STP until detailed workable proposals were set out*
- We found the proposals on consolidated discharge and repatriation arrangements unclear*
- We noted the challenges in workforce recruitment, retention and long-term sustainability*

This council believes that even at this late stage there is still not sufficient clarity in respect of these serious concerns. We further note that the consultation process reached only a small fraction of the population in the footprint of these proposals.

It has still not been made clear to residents that six out of the seven therapeutic areas consulted upon will be wound down at Southend Hospital, with patients being moved to Basildon and Broomfield hospitals. The consultation document made no mention of closing down services and wording is vague when public-facing documents refer to treatment being available to patients who seek help at Southend, but don't mention they will be transferred to another hospital for that care.

Southend Borough Council understands the reasons for change - 20,000 GP appointments not provided to patients, which will rise to 60,000 within only a few years, and hospitals in the STP footprint not performing as patients expect. It disagrees with the current process for delivery of change and wants to see a true process of consultation being undertaken, setting out the full impact of proposed changes, including the impact on patients, and clarity about what will happen to current services.

The council notes that the STP proposals are now subject to a formal scrutiny procedure. The council requests that the Joint Scrutiny Committee take full account of the council's continued objections to the STP. The Council further requests that the People Scrutiny Committee gives due consideration to a referral to the Secretary of State, taking these objections and other relevant factors into account.

In accordance with Standing Order 12(a) a named vote was taken on the proposal, as follows:

For the proposal:

Cllrs Arscott, Aylen, Ayling, Borton, Boyd, Bright, Buck, Buckley, Burton, Burzotta, Byford, Chalk, Courtenay, Cox, Davidson, Dear, Dent, Flewitt, Folkard, Garne, D Garston, J Garston, Gilbert, Habermel, Hadley, Harp, Holland, Jones, Lamb, McDonald, McGlone, McMahon, Moring, Mulroney, Nelson, Nevin, Norman, Phillips, Robinson, Salter, Stafford, Walker, Ware-Lane, Wexham and Woodley (45)

Against the proposal:

None

Abstentions:

Cllr Jarvis (The Mayor) (1)

Absent:

Cllrs Evans, Terry, Van Looy, Ward and Willis (5)

Accordingly, the motion was carried.

Chairman: _____