

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Meeting of People Scrutiny Committee

Date: Thursday, 19th July, 2018

Place: Committee Room 5 - Civic Suite

Present: Councillor C Nevin (Chair)
Councillors M Borton (Vice-Chair), B Arscott, L Burton, A Chalk,
D Garne, S Habermel, T Harp, J McMahon, C Mulroney and
C Walker
J Broadbent – co-opted member

In Attendance: Councillor Boyd (Cabinet Member)
F Abbott, S Leftley and B Martin

Start/End Time: 5.00 - 5.35 pm

148 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Buckley (no substitute), Councillor A Dear (no substitute), Councillor Holland (no substitute), Councillor Phillips (no substitute), Councillor Ware-Lane (no substitute) and A Semmence, T Watts and E Lusty (co-opted members).

149 Declarations of Interest

The following interests were declared at the meeting:

- (a) Councillor Boyd (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;
- (b) Councillor Arscott - agenda item relating to Schools Progress report – non pecuniary – Governor at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School (Assisi Trust);
- (c) Councillor Borton - agenda item relating to School Progress report – non-pecuniary – Governor at Milton Hall School;
- (d) Councillor Walker - 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;
- (e) Councillor Borton - agenda item relating to Scrutiny Committee - updates – non-pecuniary – daughter is a mental health nurse at Basildon Hospital;
- (f) Councillor Nevin - 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;
- (g) Councillor Habermel - 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;

- (h) Councillor Harp – agenda item relating to Scrutiny Committee - updates – non-pecuniary – Chair of St Lukes PPG and member of PPG Forum;
- (i) Councillor McMahon - 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.

150 Schools Progress Report

The Committee received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (People) which informed Members of the current position with regard to the performance of all schools, including those causing concern and updated on known Academy developments.

The Committee asked that their congratulations be forwarded to schools which have performed well in the KS2 outcomes.

Resolved:-

That the report be noted.

Note:- This is an Executive Function.
Cabinet Member:- Cllr Boyd

151 Scrutiny Committee - updates

The Committee received a report of the Chief Executive which updated Members on a number of scrutiny matters.

With reference to section 4 of the report, which updated the Committee on the work of the Joint Scrutiny Committee looking at the Mid and South Essex Sustainability & Transformation Partnership (STP), the Committee received a copy of the decisions what had been taken by the CCG Joint Committee at its meeting held on 6th July 2018.

Resolved:-

1. That the report and any actions taken be noted.
2. To note the terms of reference for the Joint Scrutiny Committee looking at the Mid and South Essex STP, attached at Appendix 1 to the Report.
3. That Councillors McMahon, Mulroney and Phillips be appointed as substitute Members to the Joint Scrutiny Committee looking at the Mid and South Essex STP.
4. To agree to the establishment of a sub group to scrutinise the Primary Care Strategy for south east Essex and the following Members of the Committee be appointed to the sub group – Councillors Arscott, Borton, Chalk, McMahon and Mulroney.
5. That the report and recommendations from the in depth scrutiny project ‘Connecting communities to avoid isolation’ detailed at Appendix 2 to the Report, be agreed and the Chairman be authorised to agree any final

amendments to the draft report and that in accordance with Scrutiny Procedure Rule 10 (Part 4 (e) of the Constitution), and the Chairman of the Project Team present the report to a future Cabinet meeting.

6. That the Youth Council be invited to present the outcomes from the mental health survey to the next meeting of the Scrutiny Committee.

Note:- This is a Scrutiny Function

152 In depth Scrutiny Projects 2018/19 and Summary of Work

The Committee considered a report of the Chief Executive concerning the possible in depth scrutiny project to be undertaken by the Scrutiny Committee in 2018/19. The report also attached some information about the work carried out by the Scrutiny Committee in the 2017/18 Municipal Year.

Resolved:-

1. That, in the context of the vision for Southend 2050, the Committee's in depth scrutiny project for 2018/19 will be on the vision and gateways for children and young people which improves lives.
2. To note that the following Members have been appointed to the Panel, which will manage the in depth project – Councillor Nevin (Chairman), Councillors Buckley, Dear, Garne, McMahon, Walker, Borton and Stafford.
3. That the project will involve groups such as the Youth Council, Children in Care Council, colleges and the university in the review.
4. That the information attached at Appendix 3 to the Report, the summary of work of the 3 Scrutiny Committees during 2017 / 2018, be noted.

Note:- This is a Scrutiny Function.

153 Minutes of the Meeting of the Chairmen's Scrutiny Forum held on Monday, 11th June 2018

Resolved:

That the Minutes of the meeting of Chairmen's Scrutiny Forum held on Monday, 11th June 2018 be received and noted and the recommendations therein endorsed.

Note: This is a Scrutiny Function.

Chairman: _____