

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Meeting of Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

Date: Thursday, 12th April, 2018

Place: Committee Room 1 - Civic Suite

Present: Councillor B Ayling (Chair)
Councillors D Kenyon (Vice-Chair), B Arscott, D Burzotta,
M Davidson, N Folkard, D Garston, I Gilbert, R Hadley,
D McGlone, J McMahon, D Norman MBE, G Phillips, M Stafford,
C Walker, P Wexham and C Willis

In Attendance: Councillors M Flewitt and A Moring (Executive Councillors)
Councillor M Terry
J K Williams, F Abbott, J Chesterton, C Robinson and M Sargood

Start/End Time: 6.30 - 8.00 pm

901 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies received.

902 Declarations of Interest

The following interests were declared at the meeting:-

- (a) Councillors Flewitt and Moring (Executive Councillors) – Disqualifying non-pecuniary interests in all the called-in/referred items; attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19th July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011;
- (b) Councillor Flewitt – agenda item relating to MPR – non-pecuniary – friends and family tenants of SEH.

903 Questions from Members of the Public

Councillor Moring, the Executive Councillor for Corporate and Community Support Services responded to a written question from Mr Webb, which was addressed to the Executive Councillor for Culture, Tourism & the Economy and also responded to a written question from Mr Webb within his portfolio.

904 Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 31st January, 2018

Resolved:-

That the Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, 31st January 2018 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

905 Monthly Performance Report

The Committee considered Minute 820 of Cabinet held on 13th March 2018 together with the Monthly Performance Report (MPR) covering the period to end February 2018, which had been circulated recently.

In response to questions regarding CP 4.10 (total number of households in temporary accommodation), the Executive Councillor agreed to provide a written response providing a breakdown of figures.

Resolved:-

That the reports be noted.

Note:- This is an Executive Function.

Executive Councillor:- As appropriate to the item.

906 Annual Procurement Plan 2018/19

The Committee considered Minute 826 of Cabinet held on 13th March 2018, which had been called in to Scrutiny, together with a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (People) presenting the Council's Annual Procurement Plan for 2018/19.

Resolved:-

That the following decision of Cabinet be noted:

“That the Annual Procurement Plan 2018/19 set out in Appendix 1 to the submitted report, be approved.”

Note:- This is an Executive Function

Executive Councillor:- Moring

907 Council Procedure Rule 46

The Committee considered Minute 830 of Cabinet held on 13th March 2018 which had been called in the scrutiny, relating to item 2.2 (Grant of agreement lease of land at East Beach for a Restaurant Development).

Resolved:-

That the submitted report be noted.

Note: This is an Executive Function

Executive Councillor: Moring

908 In depth scrutiny project - 'Additional enforcement resources for Southend'

The Committee considered a report of the Chief executive which presented the draft report of the scrutiny project for 2017/18 – 'Additional Enforcement Resources for Southend'.

Resolved:-

1. That the report and conclusions from the in depth scrutiny project, detailed at Section 4 of the report be agreed.

2. That in accordance with Scrutiny Procedure Rule 10 (part 4 (e) of the Constitution), to agree that the Chairman of the Project Team present the report to a future Cabinet meeting.

Note:- This is a Scrutiny Function.

909 Exclusion of the Public

Resolved:

That, under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the item of business set out below, on the grounds that it would involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

910 Council Procedure Rule 46 - Confidential Sheet

The Committee considered Minute 832 of Cabinet held on 13th March 2018 which had been called in the scrutiny, relating to item 2.2 (Grant of agreement lease of land at East Beach for a Restaurant Development).

Resolved:-

That the submitted report be noted.

Note: This is an Executive Function
Executive Councillor: Moring

911 Vote of Thanks

Members of the Committee thanked the Chairman for the able way in which he had conducted meetings during the Municipal Year.

Chairman: _____