

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Meeting of People Scrutiny Committee

Date: Wednesday, 1st September, 2021

Place: Council Chamber - Civic Suite

Present: Councillor L Salter (Chair)
Councillors H Boyd (Vice-Chair), B Beggs, J Courtenay, T Cowdrey,
M Dent*, K Evans, N Folkard*, D Garne, B Hooper, J Lamb, A Line, I Shead,
M Stafford, A Thompson

*Substitute in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 31.

In Attendance: Councillors L Burton, P Collins, A Jones and C Nevin (Cabinet Members),
S Baker, A Barnes, T Forster, M Marks, B Martin, S Newman,
K Ramkhelawon, S Tautz and J Williams
O Richards (Healthwatch Southend), T Watts (Southend Carers Forum) (Co-
Opted Members), M Faulkner-Hatt, O Slaughter (Southend Youth Council)
(Observers)

Start/End Time: 6.30 pm - 7.35 pm

257 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor M Berry (no substitute), Councillor A Dear (Substitute: Councillor N Folkard) and Councillor K Mitchell (Substitute: Councillor M Dent).

258 Declarations of Interest

The following interests were declared at the meeting:

- (a) Councillors L Burton, P Collins, A Jones, and C Nevin, (Cabinet Members) - Interest in the called-in items; Attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19 July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011.
- (b) Councillors L Burton, P Collins, A Jones and C Nevin (Cabinet Members) - Interest in the referred item; Attended pursuant to the dispensation agreed at Council on 19 July 2012, under S.33 of the Localism Act 2011.
- (c) Councillor L Salter - Minute 261 (Southend 2050: Annual Review and Refresh of Outcomes and Roadmap Milestones), Minute 262 (Annual Public Health Report 2020/21) and Minute 263 (Corporate Risk Register) - Husband is a consultant surgeon at Southend Hospital; Daughter is a consultant at Basildon Hospital; Son-in-law is a general practitioner in the Borough - Non-pecuniary interests.
- (d) Councillor T Cowdrey - Minute 259 (Questions from Members of the Public) Mentioned in the question to be presented at the meeting in the capacity of a former member of the Advisory Board of Healthwatch Southend - Non-pecuniary interest.
- (e) Councillor N Folkard - Minute 261 (Southend 2050: Annual Review and Refresh of Outcomes and Roadmap Milestones), Minute 262 (Annual Public Health Report 2020/21) and Minute 263 (Corporate Risk Register) - Ambassador for Fund Raising

Team at Southend University Hospital; Daughter is Head of Nursing for Paediatrics across Mid and South Essex Hospitals - Non-pecuniary interests.

- (f) Councillor C Nevin - Minute 261 (Southend 2050: Annual Review and Refresh of Outcomes and Roadmap Milestones) and Minute 262 (Annual Public Health Report 2020/21) - Family members employed by Mid and South-Essex (MSE) NHS Foundation Trust; Previous association with MSE hospitals; Employed at external NHS Trust - Non-pecuniary interests.
- (g) Councillor C Nevin - Minute 263 (Corporate Risk Register) - Former employee at care homes within the Borough - Non-pecuniary interest.

259 Questions from Members of the Public

The Committee noted the response of the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health Integration to a question presented by Mr M Ali.

260 Minutes of the Meeting held on 6 July 2021

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 6 July 2021 be confirmed as a correct record and signed.

261 Southend 2050: Annual Review and Refresh of the Outcomes & Roadmap Milestones

The Committee considered Minute 216 of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 27 July 2021, which had been referred directly to each of the three Scrutiny Committees and called-in, together with a report of the Chief Executive presenting the annual review and refresh of Southend 2050 that set out how the Council would use the evolved Southend 2050 outcomes to drive recovery.

Resolved:

That the following decisions of the Cabinet be noted:

“1. That the refresh of the Southend 2050 outcomes and high-level roadmap milestones, be endorsed.

2. That further developed work on the review and refresh of the Southend 2050 outcomes and associated roadmap milestones be presented to Cabinet in September, including the associated outcome success measures.

3. That the planned engagement over the summer and additional Special Cabinet meeting on 7th September 2021, following the Scrutiny Committees, be noted.

4. That it be noted that the Southend 2050 roadmap milestones will form part of future reports that update on Southend’s recovery journey in order for responsive developments.

5. That it be noted that the performance and measures of success and progress to achieve 2050 will continue to be reported through the Outcome Success Measures Report, reported twice a year to Cabinet.”

Note: This is an Executive Function, save that approval of the final decision is a Council Function

Cabinet Member: Councillor I Gilbert

262 Annual Public Health Report

The Committee considered Minute 217 of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 27 July 2021, which had been called-in to the People Scrutiny Committee, together with a report of the Executive Director (Children and Public Health) presenting the Annual Report of the Director of Public Health for 2020.

At the request of councillors, the Director of Public Health undertook to circulate the Council's Vaccination Hesitancy Plan for the national vaccination programme arising from the COVID-19 pandemic to all members of the Committee.

Resolved:

That the following decision of the Cabinet be noted:

"That the 2020 Annual Report of the Director of Public Health, including the highlighted actions, be approved."

Note: This is an Executive Function
Cabinet Member: Councillor C Nevin

263 Corporate Risk Register

The Committee considered Minute 223 of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 27 July 2021, which had been called-in to each of the three Scrutiny Committees, together with a report of the Chief Executive presenting the updated Corporate Risk Register summary.

The Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health Integration undertook to provide a written response to questions raised by members of the Committee, with regard to the current numbers of Council and agency staff employed in both care home settings and for the delivery of domiciliary home care across the Borough.

Resolved:

That the following decision of the Cabinet be noted:

"That the updated Corporate Risk Register summary and the position at June 2021, outlined in Appendix 1 to the submitted report, be approved."

Note: This is an Executive Function
Cabinet Member: Councillor P Collins

264 Independent SEND Peer Review

The Committee received an update on the progress of the commissioning of an independent peer review of SEND provision, as agreed by the Cabinet at its meeting on 27 July 2021.

Resolved:

That the report be noted.

265 Joint In-Depth Scrutiny Project 2021/22

The Committee received an update on the progress that had been made in respect of the joint In-Depth Scrutiny Project for 2021/22, on the theme of 'Enabling Councillors to be Effective'.

Resolved:

That the report be noted.

Note: This is a Scrutiny function

Chair: _____