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SOUTHEND-ON-SEA CITY COUNCIL

Meeting of Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

Date: Wednesday, 22nd March, 2023

Place: Council Chamber - Civic Suite

Present: Councillor D Garston (Chair)
Councillors M Borton, D Cowan, T Cowdrey, T Cox, M Davidson,
F Evans, K Evans, A Jones, A Line, R McMullan, M Sadza, C Walker
and P Wexham

In Attendance: Councillors S George, C Mulroney and M Terry (Cabinet Members)
Councillor Buck
J Burr, S Ford and T Row

Start/End Time: 5.30 pm - 6.55 pm

791 Chair's Introduction & Apologies for Absence

(a) Chair's Introduction

Prior to the consideration of the matters set out in the agenda, the Chair outlined their expectations of the standard of conduct and behaviour to be shown at the meeting.

(b) Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor D Nelson (Vice-Chair) (no substitute), Councillor H Boyd (no substitute) and Councillor I Shead (no substitute).

792 Declarations of Interest

The following interests were declared at the meeting:

(a) Councillors C Mulroney and M Terry (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.

(b) Councillor M Terry (Cabinet Member) - Minute 794 (Car Cruise PSPO) - Resident of area covered by the proposed PSPO.

(c) Councillor Walker - Minute 794 (Car Cruise PSPO) – Member of Austin 3 Litre and Southend * District Classic Car Club.

793 Questions from Members of the Public

There were no questions from members of the public relating to business included in the agenda for the meeting.

794 Car Cruise PSPO

The Committee considered Minute 782 of the special meeting of the Cabinet held on 21 March 2023, which had been referred direct for scrutiny, together with a report of the Executive Director (Neighbourhoods and Environment) presenting the response to public consultation on the proposed introduction of a Car Cruise Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO).

In response to questions, the Cabinet Member for Public Protection gave an undertaking, to review the Car Cruise PSPO at the end of the summer season to ensure the prohibited activities as currently worded in the proposed PSPO were accurate and sufficient to address the issues of intoxicated persons thorough alcohol or noxious substances. Should the Car Cruise PSPO require an amendment to address such issues specifically, this would be undertaken.

Resolved:

That the following decisions of the Cabinet be noted:

- “1. That the responses to the Consultation, as set out at Appendix 2 to the submitted report, be noted.
- 2. That the draft Public Spaces Protection Order (Car Cruise PSPO) No. 1 of 2023, be implemented.”

Note: This is an Executive function
Cabinet Member: Councillor M Terry

Chair: _____