

Minutes of the Leisure and Community Policy Development and Review Panel

(to be confirmed at the next meeting)

Date: Wednesday, 26 July 2017

Venue: Collingwood Room - Civic Offices

PRESENT:

Councillor Mrs C L A Hockley (Chairman)

Councillor Mrs L E Clubley (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors: Mrs S M Bayford, M J Ford, JP, Ms S Pankhurst, D L Steadman

and Mrs K K Trott

Also Present:



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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies of absence made at this meeting.

2. MINUTES

It was AGREED that the Minutes of the Leisure and Community Policy Development and Review Panel held on the 01 March 2017 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Chairman's announcements made at this meeting.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISCLOSURES OR ADVICE OR DIRECTIONS

There were no declarations of interest made at this meeting.

5. **DEPUTATIONS**

There were no deputations made at this meeting.

6. CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU - PRESENTATION

The Panel received a presentation by Deborah Stringfellow and Jacquie Smart from Citizens Advice Fareham.

The presentation gave an overview to Members of all the work that Citizens Advice Fareham carry out within the Fareham Borough and their continued efforts to; develop and expand outreach work, improve access to their wide variety of services and manage the ongoing financial pressures by expanding sources of funding.

Members requested that their thanks be extended to volunteers for their hard work in doing such a difficult job.

It was AGREED that, Deborah Stringfellow and Jacquie Smart from Citizens Advice Fareham be thanked for their informative presentation.

7. OVERVIEW OF LEISURE AND COMMUNITY PORTFOLIO SERVICES

The Panel received a presentation from the Head of Leisure and Environmental Services on an overview of the Leisure and Community Portfolio Services.

The presentation gave a detailed summary of all aspects of the Leisure and Community Portfolio, including –

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- The Team Detailing the members of the Leisure and Community, Countryside Rangers and Ferneham Hall teams.
- Finances Highlighting the portfolios budgets and the continuous challenges of maintaining the Leisure and Community services for the Borough.
- Leisure Centres Updating Members on the continued success of Fareham's two Leisure centres.
- Achievements over the past 12 months, including the new Holly Hill Leisure Centre, new play areas across the Borough and the remodelling of Westbury Manor Museum.
- Children and Young People listing the opportunities provided by the Council for children and young people in the Borough.

It was AGREED that the Head of Leisure and Environmental Services and his team be thanked for their informative presentation.

8. WESTBURY MANOR MUSEUM REMODELLING UPDATE

The Panel received a presentation from the Leisure and Community Manager updating them on the newly refurbished Westbury Manor Museum.

The Museum was re-opened on 22 July 2017 by the Mayor of Fareham with an exciting programme of events through the summer which aims to encourage people into the Museum and advertises the new facilities to the wider community.

The Hampshire Cultural Trust has set new arrangements for a 10 year management agreement and will be presenting an item to the 07 March 2018 Leisure and Community Meeting detailing the Museum's performance to the Panel.

It was AGREED that the Leisure and Community Manager be thanked for her update to the Panel.

9. REVIEW OF WORK PROGRAMME 2017/18

The Panel considered a report by the Director of Operations which reviews the Panel's work programme for 2017/18.

Members discussed the Titchfield Country Park and Park Lane Vision Updates which are currently unallocated items on the work programme for 2017/18. It was agreed that these items will be visited during the Members' Tour scheduled to take place in September and should therefore be removed from the work programme.

Members requested that an update on Ferneham Hall performance and future plans for amalgamation with the Ashcroft Arts Centre be added to the work programme for 2017/18 as an unallocated item.

It was AGREED that:-

- (a) the Titchfield Country Park and Park Lane Vision Updates be removed from the work programme for 2017/18;
- (b) that an update on Ferneham Hall performance and future plans for amalgamation with the Ashcroft Centre be added to the work programme for 2017/18 as an unallocated item; and
- (c) subject to (a) and (b) above, the panel approves the current work programme for 2017/18.

(The meeting started at 6.00 pm and ended at 7.10 pm).