

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Leisure and Community Scrutiny Panel (to be confirmed at the next meeting)

Date: Wednesday, 28 June 2023

Venue: Collingwood Room - Civic Offices

PRESENT:

Councillor Mrs C L A Hockley (Chairman)

Councillor (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors: Mrs S M Bayford, R Bird, M J Ford, JP, Miss T G Harper, Mrs K K Trott and Mrs P M Bryant (deputising for Mrs L E Clubley)

Also Present: Councillor Mrs S M Walker, Executive Member for Leisure and Community.



1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology of absence was received from Councillor Mrs L E Clubley.

2. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Leisure and Community Scrutiny Panel meeting held on the 31 May 2023 be signed and confirmed as a correct record.

3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman made no announcements at the meeting.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISCLOSURES OF ADVICE OR DIRECTIONS

There were no declarations of interest made at the meeting.

5. DEPUTATIONS

There were no deputations received at the meeting.

6. OPPORTUNITIES PLAN

The Panel received a presentation from the Policy, Research and Engagement Manager providing an overview of the Council's Opportunities Plan which currently under development. The presentation focused on the Leisure and Community Portfolio and the significant Year 1 project proposals which will be considered by the Executive on the 04 September 2023.

Members asked questions for clarification on some of the projects within the Opportunities Plan, including the Paddle Tennis and Genesis Centre, expressing overall support for the projects outlined in the presentation.

RESOLVED that the Leisure and Community Scrutiny Panel note the contents of the presentation.

7. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

The Panel RESOLVED that it was in the public interest to exclude the public and representatives of the press for this item on the grounds that the matter to be dealt with under item 8 of the agenda involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

8. FESTIVE LIGHTS - AWARD OF CONTRACT

The Panel received a report and supporting presentation from the Leisure and Community Manager on the Festive Lights Award of contract which is to be considered by the Executive at its meeting on the 03 July 2023.

The Leisure and Community Manager advised that there is an error in the Executive report at paragraph 17. The Paragraph should read - The current scheme uses approx. ~~2,000~~ 4163kWh over the festive lighting period which is 7 weeks from around 20 November until 05 January when the scheme is illuminated from 4pm to 11pm each day. The preferred bidder, based on the same timings, will use approx. ~~1,008~~ 2081kWh.

The Panel discussed the contents of the confidential Appendix A at length and provided Officers with valuable feedback on the possible options available from the preferred bidder, should the Executive agree to accept the results of the procurement exercise and award the contract to the contractor ranked 1st.

RESOLVED that the Leisure and Community Scrutiny Panel: -

- a) note the contents of the Executive report attached at appendix 1; and
- b) recommends that the Executive agree to award the contract the contractor ranked 1st at their meeting on the 03 July 2023.

At the end of this item, the meeting moved back into open session.

9. EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

(1) Community Fund Application - Shopmobility

There were no comments or questions for clarification in respect of this item.

(2) Fareham Live - Award of Contract

There were no comments or questions for clarification in respect of this item.

(3) Voluntary Sector Support Fund - Burr ridge Community Association

This decision sheet was tabled at the meeting.

There were no comments or questions for clarification in respect of this item.

10. LEISURE AND COMMUNITY SCRUTINY PANEL PRIORITIES

The Chairman asked Members of the Panel to consider the Scrutiny Priorities for the Leisure and Community Scrutiny Panel.

Members asked that an update be brought to the Panel on the Westbury Manor Museum by the Hampshire Cultural Test (HCT). A scoping report was agreed by the Panel last year which invited the HCT to attend a meeting of the Panel. Officers explained that this would be investigated further with the HCT and an update would be provided to Members in due course.

RESOLVED that the Leisure and Community Scrutiny Panel considered the Scrutiny Priorities.

(The meeting started at 6.01 pm
and ended at 6.58 pm).

