HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

24th November 2016

PRESENT:-

Conservative Group

Councillor Hewlett (Chairman), Councillor Smith (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Mrs Coyle, Grant, Mrs Hall (substituting for Councillor Billings), Muller, Murray (substituting for Councillor Coe), Swann and Mrs Wyatt

Labour Group

Councillors Rhind, Southerd (substituting for Councillor Richards), Mrs Stuart and Taylor

HCS/49 CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF HOUSING QUALITY AWARD

The Chairman announced the Council's achievement in being awarded a Quality Award for East Midlands Development of the Year from the Chartered Institute of Housing, in relation to developments at Pennine Way, Swadlincote and Lullington Road, Overseal. The Director of Housing and Environmental Services introduced Housing Officers Victoria Robb, Lee Carter and Richard Thornewill to receive the Award. The Chairman led Members in congratulating the Housing team on their achievements.

HCS/50 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Billings, Coe (Conservative Group) and Richards (Labour Group).

HCS/51 MINUTES

The Open Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th October 2016 were noted and approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

HCS/52 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Committee was informed that no declarations of interest had been received.

HCS/53 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 10

The Committee was informed that no questions from members of the public had been received.

HCS/54 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Council had been received.

HCS/55 REPORTS OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

There were no Overview and Scrutiny Reports to be submitted.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

HCS/56 CORPORATE PLAN 2016-21: PERFORMANCE REPORT (1 JULY – 30 SEPTEMBER 2016)

The Director of Housing and Environmental Services presented the report to Committee.

RESOLVED:

Members noted progress against performance targets.

HCS/57 DERBYSHIRE HEALTHY WORKPLACES PROGRAMME

The Health Partnership Manager presented the report to Committee.

Queries raised by Members relating to the sickness absence figures, Body MOT's and County Council funding were responded to by the Director of Community and Planning and the Health Partnership Manager.

RESOLVED:-

Members approved South Derbyshire District Council being signed up to the Derbyshire Healthy Workplaces Programme.

HCS/58 SOUTH DERBYSHIRE SCHOOL SPORT PARTNERSHIP

The School Sports Partnership Activator presented the report to Committee.

Members voiced their appreciation for the sports activities and their success in the schools. A query as to how this initiative is inclusive of not only the larger schools but also the smaller schools was responded to by the Director of Community and Planning Services, who also referred to the beneficial outcomes, including increased participation in after-school and school holiday events.

RESOLVED:-

- 1) Members noted the update on the South Derbyshire School Sport Partnership (SSP) area of work.
- 2) Members approved the continuation of the hosting of the School Sport Partnership and apply for relevant funding when available.

3) Members approved the South Derbyshire School Sport Partnership to diversify the service offer.

HCS/59 ROSLISTON FORESTRY CENTRE - UPDATE

The Director of Community and Planning Services presented the report to Committee, also presenting the new Project Officer, Louise Glover.

Members, in referencing the unique nature of the Centre, noted the need for care in its future development and direction. The Director acknowledged these comments and confirmed that Members would be included throughout the process.

RESOLVED:-

Members approved the process for the future management and development of Rosliston Forestry Centre.

HCS/60 REVIEW OF IGNITING THE LEGACY PROGRAMME

The Sport and Health Partnership Manager presented the report to Committee.

Members commented on the support this programme gave to the local economy, the potential for further investment and the effective targeting of groups not currently engaged.

RESOLVED:-

Members noted the update and approved the work taking place under the Igniting the Legacy Programme, along with the intention to seek future funding from Sport England.

HCS/61 **VOLUNTEERING POLICY**

The Safer Communities Manager presented the report to Committee.

Members raised issues relating to the recruitment of volunteers, their training and retention, safeguarding and the relationship between this policy and that of the County Council. The Safer Communities Manager, the Sport and Health Partnership Manager and the Director of Community and Planning Services responded to all gueries in turn.

RESOLVED:-

Members approved the Council Volunteer Policy.

HCS/62 CORPORATE ENFORCEMENT POLICY

The Environmental Health Manager presented the report to Committee.

Councillor Southerd commended the report as a valuable source of information for all Members.

RESOLVED:-

Members approved the new Corporate Enforcement Policy.

HCS/63 **COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME**

RESOLVED:-

Members considered and approved the updated work programme.

HCS/64 <u>LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)</u>

RESOLVED:-

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

<u>MINUTES</u>

The Exempt Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th October 2016 were received.

<u>TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 11</u>

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received.

The Meeting terminated at 7.15pm.

COUNCILLOR J HEWLETT

CHAIRMAN