

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

14th October 2020

PRESENT:-

Conservative Group

Councillor Hewlett (Chairman), Councillor Roberts (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Atkin and Corbin.

Labour Group

Councillors Bambrick, Gee and Mrs Stuart.

OS/11 **APOLOGIES**

The Committee was informed that no apologies had been received.

OS/12 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ARISING FROM ITEMS ON AGENDA**

The Committee was informed that Councillors Atkin and Bambrick each declared an interest in item by OS/15 by virtue of being County Councillors.

OS/13 **QUESTIONS RECEIVED BY 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.

OS/14 **QUESTIONS RECEIVED BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 11**

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

OS/15 **Vision Derbyshire verbal request from the Chief Executive**

The Chief Executive sought agreement from Members to participate in the review of Vision Derbyshire and to receive full details of the project.

Members welcomed the opportunity to view the details of the project and requested the timeline for returning comments about the report and if the when the Government's White Paper was due to be published.

The Chief Executive expressed his understanding that the publication of the White Paper had been delayed until Spring 2021.

The Chairman proposed an examination of the Vision Derbyshire document be completed.

RESOLVED:

That the Committee would review the report and prepare the initial findings to be brought to the Council Meeting on 5th November.

OS/16 **CYCLE PROVISION**

The Planning Policy Officer delivered a presentation to the Committee providing an update on the Key Cycle Network in South Derbyshire highlighting the latest completed and proposed routes and advised that the Woodville to Swadlincote Regeneration Program would begin in October 2020 with completion in summer 2021.

Members raised questions about new housing estates being included, a safe crossing on Park Road, how routes are linked to neighbouring authorities, whether Hepworth Way included provision for cyclists and if maintenance was provided by the County Council.

The Planning Policy Officer advised that developers of new housing estates were including information about the Cycle Network in their promotional literature and that the County Council would be consulted on the safe crossing for Park Road. It was explained that key Network Routes would be linked with Staffordshire and Leicestershire that negotiations regarding Hepworth Way were under way and that Derbyshire County Council would be maintaining the routes.

OS/17 **COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME**

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) delivered the report to the Committee and advised Members that there was concern about possible duplication of projects on the Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme.

It was noted that the Covid-19 item suggested by Members was deemed to be a good subject for the Committee to examine. Other subjects agreed to be included on the Work Programme were Doctor's Surgeries, Vision Derbyshire, Waste and Recycling, Section 106 Funding and Play Provision.

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) agreed to provide a paper for the next Committee detailing changes within the Council during Covid-19.

Councillor Corbin requested confirmation that the criteria for Play Provisions had been used. The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) confirmed that that this would be provided.

RESOLVED:-

That the Committee considered and approved the updated work programme.

OS/18 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985**

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 would be 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.

EXEMPT QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

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

The Meeting terminated at 7:15 PM.

COUNCILLOR HEWLETT

CHAIRMAN