

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

6<sup>th</sup> September 2017

**PRESENT:-**

**Conservative Group**

Councillor Swann (Chairman), Councillor Billings (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Atkin, Mrs Coe and Mrs Patten

**Labour Group**

Councillors Bambrick and Mrs Stuart

OS/10 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillor Dr Pearson (Labour Group)

OS/11 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ARISING FROM ITEMS ON AGENDA**

Councillor Bambrick declared a personal interest in Item 6 by virtue of being a Swadlincote Community Transport Board Member.

Councillor Mrs Coe declared a personal interest in Item 6 by virtue of being a board member of various voluntary organisations.

OS/12 **QUESTIONS RECEIVED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 10**

The Committee were informed that no questions from members of the Public had been received.

OS/13 **QUESTIONS RECEIVED BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 11**

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

OS/14 **REGULATION OF INVESTIGATORY POWERS ACT 2000 (RIPA) – QUARTERLY REPORT ON USAGE**

The Director of Community and Planning Services presented the report to Committee.

**RESOLVED:-**

***Members noted the internal report on the Council's use of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000.***

OS/15 **REVIEW OF FUNDING TO VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY SECTOR ORGANISATIONS**

The Director of Community and Planning Services presented the report to Committee, stating that work relating to domestic violence was being discussed with Trident Reach and would be progressed via the relevant Policy Committee. With regard to a Shopmobility service, the Director confirmed that a tender exercise was also to be undertaken.

Councillor Mrs Patten recounted a previous process whereby organisations would show accounts, detailing how grants had been utilised. The Director thought that the grants process required sight of accounts, as written into the service level agreement, but that confirmation of this would be provided to Members. The Director further suggested that a detailed annual report be submitted to the Committee.

**RESOLVED:-**

***Members noted the additional information provided, as requested at the last Committee Meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2017 and agreed to the submission of an annual report detailing voluntary and community sector organisation funding.***

OS/16 **REVIEW OF AREA FORUM MEETINGS**

The Director of Community and Planning Services presented the report to Committee, including his suggestion for a revised, combined format, emphasising that any change would require approval by Council.

Members queried or raised comment on the selection of chairman / vice-chairman for a combined meeting, as proposed, the choice of topics, dates and venues, the need for greater publicity and ongoing County Council participation.

**RESOLVED:-**

***Members noted the report and agreed that the review process continue.***

OS/17 **REVIEW OF ETWALL LEISURE CENTRE CONTRACT / COMMUNITY ACCESS**

The Director of Community and Planning Services delivered a presentation to Committee, assisted by Helen Warren, Active Nation Assistant Contracts Manager. In this, the Director highlighted the potential next stages, namely Active Nation's proposal to take up more use of the pool, subject to school requirements, a second pool proposal, Section106 developments, relating to the overflow car park, outdoor

use and changing improvements and the future with the school under new academy ownership.

Members queried or raised comment on the potential sale of parts of the current complex to realise capital and achieve more effective use of space, the demand for, and utilisation of, a second pool, the potential for revisions to the current contract and its next renewal date, the take-up of early morning swimming sessions, the potential for increased community usage, running costs, the withdrawal of County Council funding and plans for addressing the growing need for additional sports provision. The Director and Assistant Contracts Manager addressed each query in turn.

**RESOLVED:-**

***Members noted the information provided and requested that further details regarding all forms of exercise be made available to Members.***

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 were informed that no exempt questions from Members of the Council had been received.***

The Meeting terminated at 7.20pm.

COUNCILLOR SWANN

CHAIRMAN