

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

22nd November 2018

PRESENT:-

Conservative Group

Councillor Hewlett (Chairman) and Councillors Dr. Coyle, Ford (substituting for Councillor Smith), Pegg (substituting for Councillor Mrs Wyatt) Grant, Roberts, Stanton and Watson

Labour Group

Councillors Rhind, Richards, Shepherd and Wilkins

Independent / Non-Grouped Member

Councillor Tipping

HCS/46 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Smith and Mrs Wyatt (Conservative Group) and Councillor Coe (Independent/ Non-Grouped Member)

HCS/47 **MINUTES**

The Open Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th October 2018 were noted, approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

HCS/48 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

HCS/49 **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/50 **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/51 **REPORTS OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

There were no Overview and Scrutiny Reports to be submitted.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

HCS/52 **CORPORATE PLAN 2016-21: PERFORMANCE REPORT (1 JULY – 30 SEPT 2018)**

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) presented the report to Committee highlighting the amended Risk Register and Action Plan to allow closer monitoring of risk areas.

Councillor Grant expressed concern with the areas flagged in red within the appendices to the report seeking further clarification. The Housing Services Manager addressed these concerns and advised that a stock condition survey was being undertaken in order to review and monitor this area.

RESOLVED:-

1.1 The Committee considered progress against performance targets set out in the Corporate Plan.

1.2 The Committee reviewed the Risk Register and Action Plan for the Committee's services.

HCS/53 **CONTRIBUTION TO ACTIVE DERBYSHIRE**

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) presented the report, which was welcomed by the Committee.

RESOLVED:-

1.1 The Committee approved a financial contribution to Active Derbyshire for 2018/19 of £12,191 for the delivery of outcomes set out in a Service Level Agreement with the Council.

1.2 The Committee approved, in principle, to the above sum also being made in 2019/20 and 2020/21 subject to Service Level Agreement outcomes being met and the financial position being able to sustain this contribution.

HCS/54 **COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS SCHEME**

The Community Partnership Officer (Ian Hey) presented the report to Committee.

RESOLVED:-

The Committee accepted the recommendations of the Community Partnership Scheme Assessment Panel, to award grants as detailed in section 4.19 of the report.

HCS/55 **SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL SURVEILLANCE POLICY**
The Communities Manager presented the report to Committee explaining the proposed Policy.

Clarification was sought and provided on the use of surveillance at domestic properties, and the length of time such evidence is retained.

RESOLVED:-

The Committee adopted the new South Derbyshire District Council Surveillance Policy as attached to the report.

HCS/56 **LEASEHOLDER HANDBOOK**
The Performance and Policy Manager presented the report to Committee.

RESOLVED:-

The Committee approved the new Council Leaseholder Handbook.

HCS/57 **STAR SURVEY 2018**
The Performance and Policy Manager presented the report to Committee explaining the findings of the tenant satisfaction Survey of Tenants and Residents (STAR) survey which was concluded in August 2018. The Committee was advised that a meeting between Officers and the Tenants' Panel would take place to analyse the full STAR 2018 results ahead of a workshop with officers, tenants and BMG Research, the consultants that undertook the survey, in order to identify and agree actions to support the continuing work.

RESOLVED:-

The Committee noted the findings of the satisfaction Survey of Tenants and Residents (STAR) survey.

HCS/58 **COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME**

RESOLVED:-

The Committee considered and approved the updated Committee Work Programme including the amendment to submit the reports titled 'STAR Survey Action Plan' and 'Housing Core Benchmarking' to the Committee scheduled for 7th March 2019.

HCS/59 **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 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.

MINUTES

The Exempt Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th October 2018 were received.

**TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL
PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 11**

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received.

**DIRECT ACQUISITION OF COUNCIL HOUSING AT CADLEY PARK
(Paragraph 2)**

The Committee approved the recommendation in the report.

EXTENSION OF CONTRACT – PARKLIFE OFFICER (Paragraph 1)

The Meeting terminated at 7.00pm.

COUNCILLOR J HEWLETT

CHAIRMAN