

Executive Scrutiny Committee

A meeting of Executive Scrutiny Committee was held on Monday, 1st October, 2012.

Present: Cllr Ken Lupton(Chairman), Cllr Miss Tina Large Cllr Julia Cherrett, Cllr Robert Gibson, Cllr Paul Kirton, Cllr Maurice Perry, Cllr Mick Stoker, Cllr D. Wilburn (Vice Cllr Nigel Cooke), Cllr Mrs Mary Womphrey,

Officers: M. Waggott, J. Trainer and M. Henderson (LD); M. Batty (DNS)

Also in attendance: Mr Richard Amir (Parent Governor Representative), Mr Paul Beach (Parent Governor Representative)

Apologies: Cllr Mrs Lynne Apedaile, Cllr Nigel Cooke, Cllr Terry Laing, Cllr Barbara Inman, Cllr Mohammed Javed, Cllr Eileen Johnson, Cllr Jean Kirby, Cllr Mrs Jean O'Donnell and Cllr Ross Patterson,

1 Evacuation Procedure

The evacuation procedure was noted.

2 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3 Minutes for Signing - 6th June 2012

The minutes of the meeting held on 6 June 2012 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

4 Previous Minutes - 31st July 2012

Consideration was given to the draft minutes of the meeting held on 31 July 2012.

With regard to Affordable warmth members queried:

- if Housing Options worked with any landlords who refused to take part in the Community Energy Savings Programmes?

- what inspections/quality checks were undertaken on the work carried out on properties?

AGREED

1. that the minutes be approved.

2. that officers investigate the queries detailed above and report back to members.

5 Task and Finish Review - Community Safety and Security Services

Consideration was given to a report that presented a draft scope relating to a Task and Finish Review of Community Safety and Security Services. Members were also asked to consider the allocation of the review.

Members were reminded that, throughout 2011, the Housing and Community Safety Select Committee had been engaged on an EIT Review of Community Safety and Security Services, with the intention of finding a minimum of 15 per cent savings.

The savings target had been achieved but Cabinet suggested that further work be undertaken to focus on residents' satisfaction and service improvement and transformation opportunities. Executive Scrutiny Committee had agreed to programme the referral, at its meeting held, on on 27 March 2012.

It was explained that the Council used twenty areas of quality and customer feedback systems to measure the satisfaction levels of residents to determine any areas of concern that may need to be targeted by the service. These had been used to develop the draft scope.

Members noted that the Environment Select Committee would shortly complete its review of Affordable Warmth and it was suggested that it be requested to undertake this Task and Finish Review.

AGREED that:

1. the scope for a Task and Finish Review of Community Safety and Security Services be agreed.
2. the Environment Select Committee be requested to undertake the review.

6 Forward Plan

Members were provided with the Statutory Forward Plan for 1 September to 31 December 2012.

AGREED that the Statutory Forward Plan be noted.

7 Report on Chairs Updates:-

Members were provided with an update, from each Select Committee's Chair, on current and future review topics.

AGREED that the Chairs' updates be noted.