# **SWT Community Scrutiny Committee**

Wednesday, 23rd February, 2022, 6.15 pm

The John Meikle Room - The Deane House



Members: Libby Lisgo (Chair), Dave Mansell (Vice-Chair), Simon Coles,

Tom Deakin, Steve Griffiths, John Hunt, Dawn Johnson, Richard Lees, Mark Lithgow, Janet Lloyd, Andy Milne, Andy Pritchard, Vivienne Stock-Williams, Ray Tully and

Sarah Wakefield

# **Agenda**

### 1. Apologies

To receive any apologies for absence.

# 2. Minutes of the previous meeting of the Community Scrutiny Committee

To approve the minutes of the previous meeting of the Community Scrutiny Committee held on 27th January 2022

#### 3. Declarations of Interest

To receive and note any declarations of disclosable pecuniary or prejudicial or personal interests in respect of any matters included on the agenda for consideration at this meeting.

(The personal interests of Councillors and Clerks of Somerset County Council, Town or Parish Councils and other Local Authorities will automatically be recorded in the minutes.)

#### 4. Public Participation

The Chair to advise the Committee of any items on which members of the public have requested to speak and advise those members of the public present of the details of the Council's public participation scheme.

For those members of the public who have submitted any questions or statements, please note, a three-minute time limit applies to each speaker and you will be asked to speak

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before Councillors debate the issue.

### **Temporary measures during the Coronavirus pandemic**

Due to the temporary legislation (within the Coronavirus Act 2020, which allowed for use of virtual meetings) coming to an end on 6 May 2021, the council's committee meetings will now take place in the office buildings at the John Meikle Room, Deane House, Belvedere Road, Taunton. Unfortunately due to capacity requirements the Chamber at West Somerset House is not able to be used at this current moment.

Following the Government guidance on measures to reduce the transmission of coronavirus (COVID-19), the council meeting rooms will have very limited capacity. With this in mind, we will only be allowing those members of the public who have registered to speak to attend the meetings in person at the office buildings, if they wish. (We will still be offering to those members of the public that are not comfortable in attending, for their statements to be read out by a member of the Governance team). Please can we urge all members of the public who are only interested in listening to the debate to view our live webcasts from the safety of their own home to help prevent the transmission of coronavirus (COVID-19).

# 5. Community Scrutiny Request/Recommendation Trackers

(Pages 17 - 20)

To update the Community Scrutiny Committee on the progress of resolutions and recommendations from previous meetings of the Committee.

#### 6. Community Scrutiny Forward Plan

(Pages 21 - 22)

To receive items and review the Forward Plan.

#### 7. Executive and Full Council Forward Plans

(Pages 23 - 26)

To review the Forward Plans of the Executive and Full Council.

#### 8. Community Scrutiny Chair's Annual Report

(Pages 27 - 28)

This matter is the responsibility of the Chair of Community Scrutiny Committee, Councillor Libby Lisgo.

To approve the Annual report of the Community Scrutiny Committee 2021/11 for consideration by Full Council. Article 6 of the SWT Constitution states that "The Scrutiny Committees must report annually on their work".

#### 9. HRA Financial Performance 2021/22 Q3

(Pages 29 - 46)

This matter is the responsibility of Executive Councillor Fran Smith, Housing

Report Author: Kerry Prisco (Management Accounting and Reporting Lead)

This report provides an update on the projected outturn financial position of the Council's Housing Revenue Account (HRA) for the financial year 2021/22 (as 31 December 2021).

## 10. Wordsworth Drive and Coleridge Crescent Regeneration

(Pages 47 - 62)

This matter is the responsibility of Executive Councillor Member Councillor Francesca Smith

Report Author: Chris Brown, Assistant Director Development & Regeneration, Ian Shoemark, Project Manager

The Community Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider a number of recommendations as listed in 2.1 of the report, prior to progression on to the Executive Committee.

# 11. Sports and Leisure Management (Everyone Active) Bi-Annual Report

(Pages 63 - 80)

This matter is the responsibility of Executive Councillor Derek Perry

Report Author: Stuart Noyce, Assistant Director - Commercial Services

The Community Scrutiny Committee is requested to note the contents of the six-monthly update for the period 1 April 2021 to 30 September 2021.

#### 12. Executive Portfolio Holder for Leisure - Cllr Derek Perry

(Pages 81 - 82)

To consider reports from Executive Councillors on their respective portfolios: -

Councillor Derek Perry – Deputy Leader and Sports, Parks and Leisure.

3.2 of the Scrutiny Terms of Reference states that the Scrutiny Committee may review and scrutinise and ask questions of the Leader, lead Councillors, and the Executive in relation to their portfolios.

ANDREW PRITCHARD CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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