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Decision Summary

Committee: COUNCIL

Date: WEDNESDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2016

Committee Clerk: Andrea Woodside TEL: 01484 221000

Chair

Councillor Jim Dodds

Councillors Attended

K Allison, B Armer, D Bellamy, M Bolt, C Burke, J Calvert, A Cooper, N Dad, E Firth, M Grainger-Mead, C Greaves, D Hall, S Hall, L Holmes, E Hill, E Holroyd-Doveton, M Hussain, C Iredale, P Kane, V Kendrick, M Khan, J Lawson, V Lees-Hamilton, R Light, G Lowe, T Lyons, A Marchington, N Mather, P McBride, D O'Donovan, A Palfreeman, S Pandor, N Patrick, C Pattison, A U Pinnock, A Pinnock, K Pinnock, H Richards, M Sarwar, C Scott, D Sheard, K Sims, E Smaje, M Sokhal, J Stewart-Turner, J Taylor, K Taylor, G Turner, N Turner, S Ullah, M Watson, G Wilson, L Wilkinson, F Fadia, G Asif, R Eastwood, J Homewood, M Kaushik, B McGuin, M Pervaiz, Smith and R Walker

Attendees

Co-optees

Apologies

Councillor Masood Ahmed, Councillor Mahmood Akhtar, Councillor Donald Firth, Councillor Judith Hughes, Councillor Marielle O'Neill and Councillor Amanda Stubley

Observers

1: Announcements by the Mayor and Chief Executive

To receive any announcements by the Mayor and Chief Executive.

The Mayor informed Council of the death of Cora Carter MBE, the founder member of Kirklees Federation of Tenants and Residents Association, and former Chair of Kirklees Neighbourhood Housing. Tributes were paid by Councillors Marchington, Smaje, Mather and Richards.

The Mayor presented Councillor Hill with a certificate in recognition of her being shortlisted by the LGiU for Young Councillor of the Year.

On behalf of the Chief Executive, the Head of Legal, Governance and Monitoring provided an overview of Agenda Items 10 and 11.

2: Apologies for absence

Group Business Managers to submit any apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Ahmed, Akhtar, D Firth, Hughes, O'Neill and Stubley.

3: Minutes of Previous Meeting

To receive the Minutes of the previous meeting of Council, held on 14 September and 12 October 2016.

Approved as a correct record.

4: Declaration of Interests

The Councillors will be asked to say if there are any items of the Agenda in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, which would prevent them from participating in any discussion of them items or participating in any vote upon the items, or any other interests.

Councillor Sims declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 13, in reference to the Minutes of Cabinet on 20 September 2016 (Minute Number 56), in his capacity as a Director of Kirklees Stadium Development Limited.

Councillor Smaje declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 9 on the grounds that she is a Board Member of Kirklees Neighbourhood Housing.

Councillor Bellamy declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 9 on the grounds that she is a tenant of Kirklees Neighbourhood Housing.

Councillor K Pinnock declared an 'other' interest in Agenda Item 8 on the grounds that she is a Member of the Council of Huddersfield University.

5: Petitions

Any Member of the Council can submit a petition, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 9.

No petitions were submitted.

6: Deputations/Petitions

Council will receive any deputations and/or petitions from members of the public, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10.

Council received (i) a deputation and petition from Alisa Devlin, on behalf of Huddersfield Town Centre Action Group, in regards to the impact of bus gates upon Huddersfield Town Centre and (ii) a deputation from Jenny Goldman in relation to Open Access Youth Service in provision in Kirklees.

The Mayor advised that the subject matter of the deputations (and petition) be referred to the appropriate Directorate for further investigation.

7: Questions by Members of the Public

Council will receive any questions from members of the public, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11.

Alisa Devlin, on behalf on Huddersfield Town Centre Action Group, asked a question regarding information on the footfall figures on Westgate, Huddersfield, and investment in the town centre.

The Cabinet Member replied thereto.

8: West Yorkshire Combined Authority

To receive the Minutes of the meeting of West Yorkshire Combined Authority, held on 28 July 2016, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 5.

The Minutes of the West Yorkshire Combined Authority, held on 28 July 2016, were received for information.

9: Kirklees Neighbourhood Housing Annual Report (Reference from Cabinet)

To receive the Kirklees Neighbourhood Housing 2015-2016 Annual Report.

The Kirklees Neighbourhood Housing Annual Report was received and noted.

10: Appointment of Independent Persons (Reference from Corporate Governance and Audit Committee)

To consider the re-appointment of Independent Persons to the Standards Regime.

Contact: Julie Muscroft, Assistant Director – Legal, Governance and Monitoring

That Richard Michael Stow and Angela Doreen Vine be re-appointed as the Independent Person and Deputy Independent Person, respectively, for a further period of up to one year.

11: Transitional Constitutional Changes (Reference from Corporate Governance and Audit Committee)

To receive for information.

Contact: Julie Muscroft, Assistant Director - Legal, Governance and Monitoring

That the designation of the Assistant Director (Financial management, Risk, IT and Performance) as the Section 151 Statutory Officer, and the changes to the responsibility for non-executive functions during the transitional period, as set out within the report, be noted.

12: Written Questions to the Leader and Cabinet Members

To receive written questions to the Leader and Cabinet in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12.

(Note: The deadline for the submission of written questions is 10.00am Tuesday 08 November 2016)

The schedule of submitted written questions will tabled at the meeting.

(1) Question by Councillor Smith to the Cabinet Member for Economy, Skills, Transportation and Planning - Transportation and Planning (Councillor McBride)

"Can you please feedback to Council on footfall figures in Huddersfield following the enablement of Bus Gates?"

Cabinet Member replied thereto

(2) Question by Councillor Smith to the Cabinet Member for Housing and Enforcement Management (Councillor Mather)

"What has the Council spent on clearing fly-tipping in the last 3 months?"

Cabinet Member replied thereto

(3) Question by Councillor McGuin to the Cabinet Member for Community Cohesion and Schools (Councillor Ahmed)

"Is the Councillor minded to recommend allowing All Hallows to expand its age range?"

Cabinet Member replied thereto

(4) Question by Councillor Palfreeman to the Deputy Leader/Cabinet Member for Strategy and Strategic Resources, New Council and Regional Issues (Councillor Pandor)

"What is 'New Council'?"

Cabinet Member replied thereto

(5) Question by Councillor Palfreeman to the Cabinet Member for Housing and Enforcement Management (Councillor Mather)

"How much has the Council spent in each of the last three years removing, or causing the removal, of unauthorised advertising material from buildings and street furniture in Kirklees? How many proceedings have been initiated under the provisions of s224 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 with what proportion of success? How many fixed penalty notices under the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 have been issued? Finally, how many applications for consent for the display of material has the Council received during each of the 3 years?"

Cabinet Member replied thereto

(6) Question by Councillor Palfreeman to the Deputy Leader/Cabinet Member for Strategy and Strategic Resources, New Council and Regional Issues (Councillor Pandor)

"In the list of roles published for item 14 on today's agenda you are described as being responsible for "Strategy and Strategic Resources, New Council and Regional Issues".

Is this description of your responsibilities correct?"

Cabinet Member replied thereto

(7) Question by Councillor Palfreeman to the Deputy Leader/Cabinet Member for Strategy and Strategic Resources, New Council and Regional Issues (Councillor Pandor)

'Do you agree with the concept of job sharing?'

Cabinet Member replied thereto

13: Minutes of Cabinet and Cabinet Committee - Local Issues

To receive the information; the minutes of the meetings of Cabinet held on 09 February, 08 March, 24 March, 05 April, 09 May, 24 May, 26 July, 23 August, 16 September and 20 September 2016 and the meetings of Cabinet Committee – Local Issues held on 14 September 2016.

That the Minutes of Cabinet and Cabinet Committee – Local Issues, be received and noted.

14: Holding Executive to Account

- (a) To receive the following updates from Cabinet members:
 - (i) Sustainable Transformation Plan for Health (Councillor Kendrick)
 - (ii) Transport for the North (Councillor McBride)
- (b) Oral Questions/Comments to Cabinet Members on their Portfolios and relevant Cabinet minutes
- (a) Community Cohesion and Schools (Councillor Ahmed)
- (b) Family Support and Child Protection (Councillor Hill)
- (c) Adults, Health and Activity to Improve Health (Councillor Kendrick)
- (d) Highways and Neighbourhoods (Councillor Khan)
- (e) Housing and Enforcement Management (Councillor Mather)
- (f) Economy, Skills, Transformation and Planning (Councillor McBride)
- (g) Strategy and Strategic Resources, New Council and Regional Issues (Councillors Pandor and Sheard)
- (h) Asset Strategy, Resources and Creative Kirklees (Councillor G Turner)

Council received Cabinet Member Portfolio Updates from Councillors Kendrick (Sustainable Transformation Plan) and Councillor McBride (Transport for the North).

Within the remaining time permitted for this item, oral questions were presented to the following Cabinet Portfolios; Community Cohesion and Schools, Family Support and Child Protection and Adults, Health and Activity to Improve Health.

15: Minutes of Other Committees

- (a) Appeals Panel
- (b) Corporate Governance and Audit Committee
- (c) District Committee Dewsbury and Mirfield
- (d) Corporate Parenting Board
- (e) District Committee Batley and Spen
- (f) District Committee Huddersfield
- (g) District Committee Kirklees Rural
- (h) Health and Well Being Board
- (i) Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee
- (j) Personnel Committee
- (k) Policy Committee
- (I) Strategic Planning Committee

That the Minutes of other Committees be received and noted.

16: Oral Questions to Committee Chairs and Nominated Spokespersons of Joint Committees/External Bodies

- (a) Appeals Panel (Councillor Armer)
- (b) Corporate Governance and Audit Committee (Councillor Richards)
- (c) Corporate Parenting Board (Councillor Hill)
- (d) District Committee Batley and Spen (Councillor Lowe)
- (e) District Committee Dewsbury and Mirfield (Councillor Dad)
- (f) District Committee Huddersfield (Councillor Ullah)
- (g) District Committee Kirklees Rural (Councillor Watson)
- (h) Employee Relations Sub Committee (Councillor Pandor)
- (i) Health and Wellbeing Board (Councillor Kendrick)
- (j) Licensing and Safety Committee including Licensing Panel and Regulatory Panel (Councillor Scott)

- (k) Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee (Councillor Stewart-Turner)
- (I) Personnel Committee (Councillor Pandor)
- (m) Planning Sub Committee Heavy Woollen Area (Councillor Kane)
- (n) Planning Sub Committee Huddersfield Area (Councillor Lyons)
- (o) Policy Committee (Councillor Walker)
- (p) Strategic Planning Committee (Councillor S Hall)
- (q) Kirklees Neighbourhood Housing (Councillor Smaje)
- (r) Kirklees Active Leisure (Councillor Sokhal)
- (s) West Yorkshire Combined Authority (including transport issues) (Councillor Pandor)
- (u) West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority (Councillor Hughes)
- (v) West Yorkshire Joint Service Committee (Councillor Pandor)
- (w) West Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel (Councillor Hussain)

Item not considered (due to time constraints).