

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

DECISION SHEET

Meeting of the Cabinet Panel on Community Engagement, Enterprise and Co-Operative Development held as a Virtual Meeting on Monday, 19th July, 2021 at 7.30 pm

1 WELCOME AND REMOTE/PARTLY REMOTE MEETINGS PROTOCOL SUMMARY

The Chair welcomed everyone to this virtual Cabinet Panel on Community Engagement and Co-operative Development meeting that was being conducted with Members, Officers and Members of the Public at various locations, communicating via audio/video and online, and advised that there was the opportunity for the public and press to listen and view proceedings.

The Committee, Member and Scrutiny Officer undertook a roll call and referred Members to the Remote/Partly Remote Meetings Protocol Summary included with the agenda and the full version which was available on the Council's website and included information regarding:

- Live Streaming;
- Noise interference;
- Rules of Debate; and
- Voting.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Councillors Tony Hunter and Kay Tart.

Having given due notice, Councillor Michael Muir advised that he was substituting for Councillor Tony Hunter and Councillor Ian Albert advised that he was substituting for Councillor Kay Tart.

3 MINUTES - 7 JUNE 2021

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Cabinet Panel held on 7 June 2021 be approved as a true record of the proceedings and that the Committee, Member and Scrutiny Officer be authorised to apply the Chair's digital signature.

4 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (1) The Chair advised that the meeting was about Community Engagement with a focus on Social Media.
- (2) The Chair welcomed those present at the meeting, especially those attending from the community;
- (3) The Chair advised that, in accordance with Council Policy, the meeting would be audio recorded as well as filmed. The audio recording would be available on the Council's website and the film recording via the NHDC YouTube channel;
- (4) The Chair drew attention to the item on the agenda front pages regarding Declarations of Interest and reminded Members that, in line with the Code of Conduct, any Declarations of Interest needed to be declared immediately prior to the item in question.

5 NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business notified.

6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Attendees from the public briefly introduced themselves and their organisations.

7 INFORMATION NOTE AND GROUP DISCUSSION

The Chair led a discussion on the Council's engagement with the community, particularly with regard to social media.

8 MEMBERS' DISCUSSION

The Chair led a discussion amongst Members on the Council's engagement with the community, particularly with regard to social media.

9 ACTIONS ARISING AND WORK PROGRAMME

RESOLVED: That the Community Engagement Team Leader be requested to update the Work Programme with the following action points arising from the evening's discussion:

- (1) To consider the provision of training for Members on social media;
- (2) To review the use of the meetings calendar on the NHDC website;
- (3) To consider a clear theme and direction for the next meeting due to take place on 6 September 2021.