

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

DECISION SHEET

Meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held in the Council Chamber, District Council Offices, Letchworth Garden City on Monday, 13th June, 2022 at 7.30 pm

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Val Bryant, Ian Moody and Alistair Willoughby.

2 MINUTES - 15 MARCH 2022

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on the 15 March 2022 be approved as a true record of the proceedings and be signed by the Chair.

3 NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business notified.

4 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

(1) The Chair advised that, in accordance with Council Policy, the meeting would be audio recorded.

(2) 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 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

6 URGENT AND GENERAL EXCEPTION ITEMS

The Chair advised that he had approved two Urgent Items.

7 CALLED-IN ITEMS

There were no Called-In Items.

8 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

There were no questions submitted by Members.

9 RESOLUTIONS OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

RESOLVED: That the report entitled 'Resolutions of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee' was noted.

REASON FOR DECISION: To enable the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to review and comment on actions and feedback received regarding resolutions previously made.

10 LORD LISTER HOTEL - PROPOSED SCRUTINY WORK

Monday, 13th June, 2022

The Chair advised Members of the scrutiny work proposed for future Committee Meetings with regards to the Lord Lister Hotel, Hitchin.

11 COMMERCIAL TEAM UPDATE

Councillor Keith Hoskins, Executive Member for Enterprise and Arts, gave a verbal update on the Commercial Team for Members.

12 PERFORMANCE MONITORING FOR 2021/22 - YEAR END

RESOLVED: That the content of the report entitled '4th Quarter Updates on Performance Indicators' was noted.

REASON FOR DECISION: To update the Committee on the performance indicators as well as other indicators that officers have updated and activated on Pentana Risk.

13 END OF YEAR MONITORING REPORT ON KEY PROJECTS FOR 2021 - 22

RESOLVED: That delivery against the key projects for 2021-2022 was noted and commented on by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee and that those marked as completed can be removed from future reports.

REASON FOR DECISION: To enable achievements against the key projects for 2021/22 to be considered.

14 OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

RESOLVED:

- (1) That the Committee prioritises proposed topics for inclusion in the work programme attached as Appendix A and, where appropriate, determines the high level form and timing of scrutiny input.
- (2) That the Committee, having considered the most recent iteration of the Forward Plan, made suggestions of items to be considered at its meetings in the coming civic year and further suggestions could be made to the Committee, Member and Scrutiny Manager.
- (3) That the Corporate Peer Challenge Action Plan Extract as attached as Appendix B was considered.

REASON FOR DECISION: To allow the Committee to set a work programme which provides focussed Member oversight, encourages open debate and seeks to achieve service improvement through effective policy development and meaningful policy and service change.