

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

6.00 P.M.

5TH AUGUST 2020

PRESENT:- Councillors Tricia Heath (Chair), Paul Anderton, Stephie Barber, Alan Biddulph, Tim Dant (substitute for Abi Mills), Merv Evans, Stewart Scothern, David Whitaker and Jason Wood (substitute for Mandy King)

Also in Attendance:-

Councillors Erica Lewis and Cary Matthews
Jody Lauder - Carigiet Cowen Chartered Surveyors

Apologies for Absence:-

Councillors Mandy King and Abi Mills

Officers in attendance:-

Kieran Keane	Chief Executive
Daniel Bates	Director of Corporate Services
Mark Davies	Director for Communities and the Environment
Jason Syers	Director for Economic Growth and Regeneration
Luke Gorst	Head of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer
Paul Thompson	Chief Financial Officer (Head of Finance & Section 151 Officer)
Debbie Chambers	Head of Democratic Services
Stephen Metcalfe	Principal Democratic Support Officer
Paul Rogers	Senior Regeneration Officer
Jenny Kay	Civic & Ceremonial Democratic Support Officer

1 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR

The Chairman requested nominations for Vice-Chair of the Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor Patricia Heath, seconded by Councillor Stephie Barber and unanimously agreed:

“That Councillor Stewart Scothern be appointed Vice-Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the Municipal Year.”

Resolved:

That Councillor Stewart Scothern be appointed Vice-Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the Municipal Year.

2 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 11th March 2020, were agreed by the Chairman as a correct record.

3 ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS AUTHORISED BY THE CHAIR

There were no items of Urgent Business.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

5 APPOINTMENTS

The Committee was requested to make the following appointments:

- Scrutiny Champion
- Pre- Scrutiny Champion

Also to appoint to the following bodies:

- Homelessness Forum
- Lancaster, Morecambe and District Fairtrade Group

Resolved:

- (1) That Councillor Patricia Heath be appointed Scrutiny Champion for the Municipal Year.
- (2) That Councillor Stephie Barber be appointed the Pre-Scrutiny Champion for the Municipal Year.
- (3) The following appointments were agreed to outside bodies:
 - Homelessness Forum – Councillor Mandy King
 - Lancaster, Morecambe & District Fairtrade Group - Councillor David Whitaker

6 WORK PROGRAMME REPORT

The Committee was requested to consider a report detailing the progress on suggestions for the Work Programme for the forthcoming year. It was reported that all Councillors had been emailed requesting ideas and a media release had been produced.

Resolved :

- (1) That the Committee notes the report and the processes for considering current and future scrutiny Work Programme topics and agenda items.
- (2) That the Committee notes that a report on any suggestions for the Work Programme will be provided at the next meeting.

7 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was proposed by Councillor Stewart Scothern, seconded by Councillor Stephie Barber and resolved unanimously:

Resolved :-

That, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business, on the grounds that it could involve the possible disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 3 of Schedule 12A of that Act.

The press and public were excluded from the meeting at this point.

**8 REQUEST TO CALL-IN CABINET DECISION - PROPERTY INVESTMENT STRATEGY
- INVESTMENT PROPOSAL (PHASE 3 BUSINESS CASE) - EXEMPT MINUTE 27
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A request to Call-in the Cabinet decision in relation to the Property Investment Strategy – Investment Proposal Phase 3 Business Case. The report was exempt from publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

Further details are set out in exempt minute 8.

Chair

(The meeting ended at 9.10 p.m.)

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