

**OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY
COMMITTEE**

6.00 P.M.

20TH APRIL 2022

PRESENT:- Councillors Richard Austen-Baker (Chair), Roger Dennison (Vice-Chair), Roger Cleet (substitute for Debbie Jenkins), Adrian De La Mare (Conservative substitute), Mandy King, Jack Lenox and Abi Mills

Apologies for Absence:-

Councillors Debbie Jenkins and Alistair Sinclair

Officers in attendance:-

Jenny Kay	Civic & Ceremonial Democratic Support Officer
Stephen Metcalfe	Principal Democratic Support Officer

31 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 9th March 2022 were signed by the Chair as a correct record.

32 ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS AUTHORISED BY THE CHAIR

There were no Items of Urgent Business.

33 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

34 DISCUSSIONS WITH THE CABINET MEMBER WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR ECONOMIC RECOVERY HAS BEEN INVITED TO THE MEETING TO DISCUSS HER PORTFOLIO:

The Chair welcomed Councillor Tricia Heath, Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Economic Recovery to the meeting.

Councillor Heath gave the Committee an overview of her portfolio which included Business Recovery, Business Development in Morecambe and Tourism & Marketing. It was reported that a Morecambe Vision Advisory Group had recently been established that included the Council's key partners, which would focus on Morecambe's future and inform any future Government funding bids.

The Committee went on to discuss Frontierland and were advised that its development was seen as a priority for Cabinet.

A number of questions were raised relating to COVID support funds, Heysham port, Capital Investment Strategy, and the Council's Tourism and Leisure offer.

Resolved :-

That Councillor Heath be thanked for her attendance at the meeting.

35 TASK GROUP - SCOPING

The Committee considered the Scoping document that had been produced for the Ethical Sustainable Investment Strategy Formal Task Group.

It was agreed by the Committee to establish this Task Group on a PR basis with a membership of 9, with the information and terms of reference set out in the scoping document, subject to the following addition:-

“That professional and academic advice and input in global ethics be sought at the first and last meeting of the Task Group.”

Resolved :-

That an Ethical Sustainable Investment Strategy Formal Task Group be established on a PR basis with a membership of 9, with the information and terms of reference set out in the scoping document, subject to the following addition :-

That professional and academic advice and input in global ethics be sought at the first and last meeting of the Task Group.

36 WORK PROGRAMME

Members discussed the Committee’s Work Programme and were reminded that the Committee would need to agree its Work Programme in the new Municipal year. Suggestions for the Work Programme would be requested as usual by Democratic Services in accordance with the Council’s Constitution.

Chair

(The meeting ended at 7.00 p.m.)

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