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Borough of Tamworth

10 March 2015

Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend a **meeting of the Council of this Borough** to be held on **TUESDAY, 17TH MARCH, 2015** at 6.15 pm in the **COUNCIL CHAMBER - MARMION HOUSE**, for the transaction of the following business:-

AGENDA

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- 7 Scrutiny Chairs' Report** (Pages 1 - 10)
(Report of the Chair of Aspire and Prosper Scrutiny Committee)
(Report of the Chair of Healthier and Safer Scrutiny Committee)

Yours faithfully

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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Marmion House
Lichfield Street
Tamworth

Aspire and prosper scrutiny report 2014/15

“To aspire & prosper in Tamworth” is the first strategic priority of this council and a priority that not only members present here tonight will hold very dear to them but so will all of Tamworth’s residents. We want Tamworth to be a place where everyone maximises their potential and is supported to do so not just by this council and its partners but by other residents, businesses and community groups. To do this, members of the Aspire & Prosper scrutiny committee have over the past year tried their very best to ask questions and monitor the performance of this council and other significant contributors to the aspire & prosper agenda.

At the start of our year our first scrutiny item was connectivity to the rail station in Tamworth and what bus services could be improved to connect people on their way. A sub committee was formed and a survey online produced some amazing results as well as other issues with bus timetables and services across the town. Although not what we were scrutinising they will be passed over to arriva and perhaps next year’s committee can ask for an update.

Our next major piece of work was to scrutinise the night time economy and the issues around crime, employment, what is on offer is it what the residents of Tamworth want. Surprisingly although only a very basic questionnaire the results came out very positive around the night time offer and people were genuinely happy with the town. We found out that people wanted lively streets for all the right reasons, cleanliness and to feel safe. A subcommittee of myself joy and tony Madge went out onto the town and spoke with some of our revellers to find out if anything we could do differently. Some of the suggestions around late night openings and themed shopping nights have already been passed to our town centre team. I think we all have to accept that our town centres need to change to keep up with online shopping, the choices we make as to where we eat and where do our families go on a night out. People want to feel safe in a clean and friendly environment. We also know with the introduction of the culture quarter this will bring in those things that people want.

We have been able to have a regeneration presentation on the two areas of Tamworth tinkers green and the kerria where members were asking questions about the decant process and any lessons learnt from this huge project.

The creative quarter update again allowed members to really see how this will look ask questions and have a better understanding of how this will bring so much more to our town.

In the autumn we discussed darwell park and industrial lease holds and how we could better advise our business tenants in the future.

At the start of this year we scrutinised the local plan and the housing needs for our town which was quite an intense meeting to say the least. The committee were given the opportunity to ask how the numbers were reached and the formula used which is used country wide. A number of questions were raised regarding the housing numbers and I thank the officers present on this occasion for all their hard work in getting extra paperwork to us and involving members in individual meetings to discuss further.

Education aspirations still remain a major part of our discussions in order for us to raise the aspirations of the next generation to do well to work hard and to make school the best days

possible. Education isn't a one size fits all and we feel that this needs to be continued throughout the coming months to ensure that all our children can achieve.

Finally agile working within Marmion house was on the agenda and figures about savings and how it has affected working within the council.

We had a final regeneration update as to where we are now so that all members are better informed of the process and how the two developments will move forward.

I want to thank all of the officers who have attended our committees this municipal year and a special thanks to Cllr Steve claymore and to rob Mitchell who have attended 7 of our 8 meetings. To the committee who have undertaken some major workloads on some very important issues and have managed to keep our meetings political friendly I thank you also. A special thankyou to Cllr couchman and to Cllr kingstone who although not on the committee came and gave us a verbal update on education. To my vice chair Cllr joy Goodall who after only being elected in June last year has really helped us make great strides in a number of the projects worked on this year. So thank you joy.

I hope that next years committee whoever they are will continue the hard work done so far in some very interesting subject matter.

Thank you mr mayor

Healthier & Safer Scrutiny Committee

2014/15 Annual Report

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Introduction

2014/15 has and still is a very busy year for Tamworth Borough Council's Healthier & Safer scrutiny committee members.

The future of services offered at the Good Hope hospital and Sir Robert Peel hospital, the planned closure of Meadowrythe, cycle paths in Tamworth and Staffordshire's Health & Wellbeing Board have all featured on the committee's work plan.

At the first meeting of the new electoral year, the committee members agreed to scrutinise three important issues that affect many residents of the borough:

- cycle paths in Tamworth
- the planned closure of Meadowrythe by the County Council
- Staffordshire Health & Wellbeing Board's report on Locality Commissioning Boards

The committee also agreed to invite Burton Hospital NHS Foundation Trust and NHS South East Staffordshire & Seisdon Peninsula CCG to a meeting to discuss the future services to be offered at Sir Robert Peel hospital.

1 July 2014

Let's Work Together

The committee received an update from Tamworth Borough Council officers on the Let's Work Together project that started in Tamworth in 2012. Following several questions and comments from the committee members, the officers were thanked for the report and it was agreed to request an annual update on the project.

18 September 2014

Planned Closure of Meadowrythe by Staffordshire County Council

Cllr Alan White, Staffordshire County Council's Cabinet Member for Care, presented a document on Centres of Excellence for Dementia and Ageing Well in Staffordshire –

<http://democracy.tamworth.gov.uk/documents/s9666/Tamworth%20Healthier%20Safer%20Scrutiny%20Report%20DCoE%2018%2009%202014.pdf>.

Following several questions and comments from the committee members Cllr White was thanked for the update

Cycle Paths in Tamworth

Following an email from Will Spencer, from the Transport Strategy Team at Staffordshire County Council, the Committee's Vice Chair Cllr Allan Lunn gave an update on the cycle paths in Tamworth.

Following several questions and comments from the committee members, Cllr Lunn was thanked for the update and the committee requested a further update be given following the implementation of the Tamworth Borough Integrated Transport Strategy.

16 October 2014

Scrutiny of Tamworth Borough Council Run Toilets

The Portfolio Holder for Operations and Assets, Cllr Robert Pritchard, updated the committee on the service review of the council run toilets. He informed the committee that the current public toilets in Aldergate were being moved into the TIC, which is next door to the toilet block, and this will result in the public toilets being open longer hours each day.

Following several questions and comments from the committee members, no motions were proposed other than to thank Cllr Pritchard for the update.

Cycle Paths in Tamworth

Cllr Lunn advised that a member of the public had contacted him to raise some questions. These will be passed to the Transport Strategy Team at Staffordshire County Council and the Committee will be updated with any further developments.

20 November 2014

Meeting with Burton Hospital NHS Foundation Trust and NHS South East Staffordshire & Seisdon Peninsula CCG to Discuss the Future Plans for Sir Robert Peel Hospital

The meeting with Burton Trust and the CCG that covers Tamworth was called to discuss the consultation on the future of day case theatre at Sir Robert Peel Community Hospital Tamworth.

The Director Business Development and the Director Operations from Burton Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, and Accountable Officer and the Turnaround Director from South East Staffordshire and Seisdon Peninsula Clinical Commissioning Group updated the committee on the future of the surgical ward at the Sir Robert Peel Hospital.

The Committee were advised by the Burton Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust that they would be recommending to its board in December that the decision to close surgical ward be delayed until June 2015.

Following several probing questions and comments from the committee members, it was agreed to thank Burton Hospitals NHS Trust and South East Staffordshire and Seisdon Peninsula CCG be thanked for the updated, and South East Staffordshire and Seisdon Peninsula CCG be invited to attend the next meeting of the Committee when Heart of England Trust are also attending.

9 January 2015

Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust and NHS South East Staffordshire & Seisdon Peninsula CCG

At the start of the meeting, the Chairman updated members by reading out an e-mail received from Mr Lawrence the Chair of the Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust confirming that they were unable to attend tonight.

The Chairman confirmed that as a result of this he requested confirmation regarding the deadlines for submitting a response on the consultation, he read out the response which confirmed that the website

for feedback on the current consultation would be open till the end of February, but there would be a CCG lead consultation thereafter, starting around May for 8 to 12 weeks.

The full item was deferred to a date after the CCG lead consultation commences in May and the committee held a Q&A session with Rita Symons, the Accountable Officer for South East Staffordshire and Seisdon Peninsula CCG, on health issues in Tamworth. At the end of the question and answer session, Mrs Symons was thanked for her attendance.

3 February 2015

Staffordshire Health & Wellbeing Board's Report on Locality Commissioning Boards and the Board's Response

Tamworth Borough Council's Chief Executive Dr Tony Goodwin, who has a seat on Staffordshire's Health & Wellbeing Board, gave an update on locality commissioning across Staffordshire and the Board's response.

Following several probing questions and comments from the committee members, it was agreed to carry out a further review of the Board at the April meeting and invite the Cabinet Member for Public Health Protection Service on South Staffordshire Council, Cllr Roger Lees, to give an update in his role as elected member on the Board for the southern region of Staffordshire.

19 March 2015

Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust and NHS South East Staffordshire & Seisdon Peninsula CCG

Mr Lawrence the Chair of the Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust will be attending the meeting to discuss the proposed change of location of services currently offered at the Good Hope hospital.

14 April 2015

Staffordshire Health & Wellbeing Board

An invitation has been sent to Cllr Roger Lees, elected member representative for the southern region of Staffordshire, to update the committee on the Staffordshire Health & Wellbeing Board.

Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee

The Healthy Staffordshire Select committee have held ten committee meetings and has one meeting planned to take place before the end of the current electoral year.

The Healthy Staffordshire select committee have scrutinised a wide range of health issues during 2014/15

- Mid Staffordshire NHS Foundation Trust – two committee meetings and two public accountability sessions
- Service Transfers Post Dissolution of Mid Staffordshire NHS Foundation Trust
- Minor Injuries Unit at Cannock Hospital
- Preventing Falls through Reviewing Medication and Nurse Ownership
- Development of the Intensive Support Service
- Mental Health and Wellbeing Strategy
- Learning Disabilities Modernisation Update
- Improving Lives Programme
- Hearing Aid Provision in North Staffordshire
- Proposals for reconfiguring surgical services provision at Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust
- Update to the Committee on the progress made in the Modernisation of Day Opportunities for People with Learning Disabilities
- Independent Futures update
- Better Care Fund
- Drug and Alcohol Strategy - Progress Report
- Final Draft Strategy for Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health of Children and Young People
- Improving Lives Programme
- Dementia Centres of Excellence
- The Care Act
- Code of Joint Working Arrangements
- Modernisation of Day Opportunities for People with Learning Disabilities - Kidsgrove Consultation
- Great Wyrley Community Support Unit

The Healthy Staffordshire Select committee also held nine public accountability sessions during 2014/15 with the various NHS Foundation Trusts that cover the health of Staffordshire.

The committee held two public meetings with Mid Staffordshire NHS Foundation Trust and University Hospitals North Midlands NHS Trust.

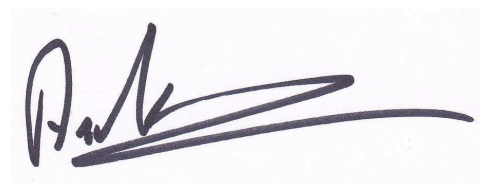
One public meeting has taken place with Burton Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust and a second is scheduled for 27 April in Burton-upon-Trent at 5pm.

The committee has also held public accountability sessions with Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Partnership NHS Trust, South Staffordshire Shropshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust, this Trust runs the George Bryan Centre adjacent to Sir Robert Peel hospital, North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare NHS Trust and West Midlands Ambulance Service NHS Trust.

A public accountability session with Staffordshire and S-O-T Partnership NHS Trust is also planned for 20 April at 5pm in Stafford.

Full details of all County Council Health Select committee meetings and public accountability sessions are available on the County Council's website

<http://modern.gov.staffordshire.gov.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=871>

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Cllr Andrew James – Chairman
Healthier & Safer scrutiny committee