



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE HELD ON 10th MARCH 2022

PRESENT: Councillor T Jay (Chair), Councillors S Pritchard, J Chesworth, A Cooper, R Ford, S Goodall, Dr S Peple and R Rogers

CABINET Councillor Jeremy Oates

The following officers were present: Andrew Barratt (Chief Executive), Matthew Fletcher (Head of Economic Development and Regeneration), Laura Patrick (Regeneration Officer) and Jo Hutchison (Democratic Services, Scrutiny and Elections Officer)

Apologies received from: Councillor(s) J Jones

53 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor J Jones.

It was noted that Councillor Jones had been appointed to this Committee and the Chair thanked Councillor Harper who had recently retired as a member of this Committee.

54 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 1 February 2022 were approved as a correct record.

(Moved by Councillor J Chesworth and seconded by Councillor S Goodall)

55 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

56 CHAIR'S UPDATE

The Chair reported that an all councillors briefing on treasury management activities led by the Executive Director, Finance and supported by the Council's treasury management consultants, Link Asset Services, had been held on 9 February 2022.

57 RESPONSES TO REPORTS OF THE CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

The Chair reported that at the February Committee meeting the Committee considered the Post Implementation Review of My Tamworth Portal item and made a recommendation to Cabinet requesting that the Audit & Governance Committee look at the tendering process.

The Committee's recommendation was presented to Cabinet at its meeting on 17 February 2022 and Cabinet supported that and requested that the Audit & Governance Committee report back to Cabinet or Corporate Scrutiny on its findings.

58 CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REFERRED TO THE CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FROM CABINET / COUNCIL

None.

59 FORWARD PLAN

There were no further items identified by the Committee for its consideration at this point.

60 DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FOR 2021-22

The Chair reported that this draft Annual Report for 2021/2 aimed to summarise the work covered by the Committee this year. He reported that it would be updated following this meeting to cover any relevant items from this meeting. Following that the final version would be prepared for presentation to full Council in the next municipal year.

61 CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PLAN

It was noted that this was the final scheduled meeting for this municipal year. No additional items were added to the work plan. The work plan is set out below:

Corporate Scrutiny Work Plan

Work Plan 2021 – 2022		
TARGET MEETING DATE	SUBJECT	MEETING WHEN ITEM ADDED TO WORK PLAN
Dates to be agreed		
TBC	Update on corporate prioritisation	August 2020
July 2022 (tbc)	Market Contract – post implementation review	November 2021
TBC	Parking Toolkit review – working group to be formed (Cllr S Goodall)	October 2019
Bi-annual updates (March & September)	Solway Trading Company Update	December 2019
TBC	Gungate Masterplan	January 2020
TBC	Joint Waste contract update	June 2021
TBC	Reset & Recovery Workstreams	November 2021
TBC	Investment Review	November 2021
TBC	Staffordshire Leaders Board	February 2022
May / June 2022 (tbc)	Asset Management Strategy	February 2022

Upcoming Corporate Scrutiny Committee Meetings

62 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That members of the press and public be now excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item on the grounds that the business involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

(Moved by Councillor Dr S Peuple and seconded by Councillor R Ford)

63 UPDATE ON SOLWAY (TAMWORTH) LTD

The Chair welcomed the Leader of the Council, the Chief Executive, the Head of Economic Development and Regeneration and the Regeneration Officer to the Committee for this item.

After consideration of the update provided, it was agreed that the Committee noted the report, and that the Chief Executive would take forward the recommendations contained within the report to Cabinet or Council (as appropriate), taking into account the comments made by the Committee.

Chair