

THE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Thursday, 12 March 2020

Attendance:

Councillors
Brook (Chairperson)

Lumby
Craske
Gemmell
Gordon-Smith

Hiscock
Horrill
Power

Apologies for Absence:

Councillors Gottlieb and Laming

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1. **APOLOGIES AND DEPUTY MEMBERS**

Apologies were noted as above.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

Councillors Hiscock and Tod declared a non pecuniary interest in relation to items upon the agenda that may be connected to their role as County Councillors.

3. **CHAIRPERSON'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

4. **MINUTES**

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on the 5 February 2020 be approved and adopted.

5. **SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2019/20 AND FORWARD PLAN FOR APRIL 2020**

RESOLVED:

That the Scrutiny Work Programme for 2019/20 and the Forward Plan for April 2020 be noted.

6. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No comments or questions were made during public participation.

7. **COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP PERFORMANCE REVIEW**
(Report Ref SC021)

The Leader, in the absence of Councillor Porter, introduced the report. The Neighbourhood Services and Community Safety Manager and the Acting District Police Commander then addressed the committee and set out the key issues along with operational priorities.

The committee asked questions and raised comments which were responded to by officers, the Acting District Police Commander and The Leader accordingly.

At the conclusion of questions and debate, the committee agreed the following points:

- that the council's Communications Team provide support to the Community Safety Partnership to assist informing the public on issues such as fly-tipping and begging and information on which organisation had responsibility to act.
- that officers consider how more information could be provided to residents and councillors regarding cyber crime, including the circulation of the current reporting system web address.
- that future reports include data from other relevant Clinical Commissioning Groups in order to provide district wide information and trends on issues such as mental health.
- that future reports include data on the number of fly tips occurring on private land.

Members thanked officers and the Acting District Police Commander for their continued support.

RESOLVED:

That the report, ref SC021 is noted.

8. **IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EXTENSION TO THE REFUSE AND RECYCLING ARRANGEMENTS**
(Report Ref SC022)

The Strategic Director: Resources and Strategic Director: Services introduced the report. The Committee was advised that as a consequence of the disaggregation of the joint waste contract, it was necessary to change the waste collection rounds that served the Winchester district. This had occurred in October 2019. A new district wide kerbside glass collection service started at the same time.

Representatives from the Southern Internal Audit Partnership (SIAP), updated the committee and set out the key points within their report as described in Appendix 1 and 2. Councillor Tod (Cabinet Member for Service Quality and Transformation) also addressed the committee.

The committee asked questions and raised comments which were responded to by officers and Councillor Tod accordingly. At the conclusion of questions and debate, the committee agreed the following points:

- that successful project management and processes with less reliance on a single individual were vital for future success.
- it was crucial that advanced communication takes place with all councillors informing of the project timescales, milestones, delivery expectations and any slippages.
- that if calendars were viewed online the colours need to be reviewed for maximum clarity.
- that a councillor briefing on the new approach to waste collection be arranged.
- that targeted, specific communication with ward members on major projects was vital.
- that a follow up report was required regarding the implementation of these actions that demonstrated that the specified changes had been embedded.

RESOLVED:

That the internal audit report, ref SC022 and the associated learning points and actions were noted.

The meeting commenced at 6.30 pm and concluded at 9.25 pm

Chairperson