Meeting:	Community Select Committee
Date:	Monday, 4 November 2019
Place:	Shimkent Room - Daneshill House, Danestrete
Members Present:	Councillors: Sarah Mead, Margaret Notley, Adrian Brown, Teresa Callaghan, Alex Farquharson, Liz Harrington, John Mead, Claire Parris and Loraine Rossati

1	**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**	
	There were no apologies for absence and no declarations of interest.	
2	**MINUTES - TUESDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2019**	
	It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting of the Community Select Committee held on 17 September 2019 are approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.	
3	**SPORTS & LEISURE SCRUTINY REVIEW**	
	Members reported back to the Committee on the evidence gathered for the scrutiny review into Sports and Leisure. John O'Callaghan, Herts Sports Partnership and Jen Jeffries, Chair of the Youth Council were in attendance at the meeting. Apologies had been received from Louise Gallagher-Smith, Sporting Futures. Members were presented with survey responses from the Youth Council and from Member residents' survey regarding Sports and Leisure across Stevenage and some Member responses to their own desktop and fact finding research. Councillor Margaret Notley, Vice-Chair of the Committee reported back on her findings in relation to Leisure Provision in	

Stevenage for Older People.

A number of potential recommendations were suggested by the Chair regarding accessibility issues. Councillor Callaghan agreed to provide a written report on her findings to the next meeting of the Committee.

John O' Callaghan commended the Council as leading in the area of sport and leisure provision in the County. He advised that the Sports Partnership were working on an activity finder as part of their website which should go live before the end of the year.

The Leisure Services Manager advised that the Council was continuously looking at opportunities for change and adapting the sports and leisure offer to meet needs.

The Chair of the Youth Council spoke about the activities and leisure provision which representatives from the Youth Council would like including equipment/areas in parks for older children, activities in parks including local bands and youth clubs to go to with friends.

It was **RESOLVED**:

1. That the Scrutiny Officer include the feedback given at the meeting including the recommendations raised by the Chair regarding accessibility issues, in the Scrutiny review report;

2. That any further written research or reports be submitted to the Scrutiny Officer prior to the next meeting;

3. That the Leisure Services Manager be asked to provide information relating to the cost of the installation of basketball hoops in parks;

4. That John O' Callaghan and Jen Jeffries be thanked for their attendance and contribution to the meeting.

4	**URGENT PART 1 BUSINESS**	
	None.	
5	**EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**	
	It was **RESOLVED**: 1. That, under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in paragraphs 1 to 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, as amended by SI 2006 No. 88. 2. That having considered the reasons for the following item being in Part II, it be determined that maintaining the exemption from disclosure of the information contained therein outweighed the public interest in disclosure.	
6	**PART II MINUTES - TUESDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2019**	
	It was **RESOLVED** that the Part II Minutes of the Community Select Committee meeting held on 17 September 2019 are approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.	
7	**URGENT PART II BUSINESS**	

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