

STEVENAGE BOROUGH COUNCIL
COMMUNITY SELECT COMMITTEE

Agenda
Item: **2**

MINUTES

Date: Tuesday 1 July 2014

Time: 18.00 hrs.

Place: Shimkent Room, Daneshill House, Danestrete, Stevenage

Present: Councillors: S Walker (Chair), M Notley (Vice-Chair),
L Bell, R Broom, E Connolly, M Gardner, A McGuinness and
J Mead.

Start/End Time: Start Time: 18.00 hrs.
End Time: 18.35 hrs.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor L Harrington and the Youth Mayor, Shae Field.

There were no declarations of interests.

2. TERMS OF REFERENCE

It was **RESOLVED** that the Terms of Reference be noted.

3. MINUTES – 16 APRIL 2014

With regards to Minute 3 - Health Discussion, the Strategic Director Community assured Members that following a meeting with the Hertfordshire County Council (HCC) Director of Public Health previous week the agreed funds would be made available in due course to address locally identified priorities.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting held on 16 April 2014 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

4. UPDATED SCRUTINY WORKPLAN FOR 2014-15

The meeting considered that since the HCC's Herts Direct Community Directory provided a County wide information service for the voluntary sector, it would not be productive for the Committee to look into providing a similar service locally.

In response to issues around Community Transport, Members requested that SBC Officers continue discussions with partners on the possibility of providing a single integrated Community Transport Service via a management service.

Members were advised that following the dissolution of the Housing Select

Committee, the Committee would now include the review of Housing Private Rented Sector on its work plan schedule. A suggestion that members who served on the Housing Select Committee should be invited to contribute to the review was noted.

The meeting agreed to revisit the Committee's recommendations from the 2012/13 review of the Museum.

It was **RESOLVED**

1. That Members note the updated Scrutiny work plan for the 2014/15 Municipal year and the schedule of meetings outlined in the report. The work plan include a review of Housing Private Rented Sector and HRA Business Plan (items previously agreed by Housing Select Committee).
2. That SBC Officers explore the possibility of providing a single integrated Community Transport Service with partners through a management service and that subject to the outcome of these discussions, the Select Committee will further this issue.
3. That as the Council's Statutory Crime & Disorder Committee a meeting to be convened for the purpose of monitoring progress against the current Community Safety Action Plan Priorities (4 November) and then consider a draft Community Safety Action Plan (February 2015).
4. That the Policy Development work for 2014/2015 identified for the Committee detailed in the report be noted.
5. That Officers provide updates to the Committee on the recommendations from the previous reviews of the Museum in 2012/13 (including details of the Museum of New Towns initiative), Homelessness and Decent Homes.

4. URGENT PART I BUSINESS

None

5. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Not required

PART II

6. URGENT PART II BUSINESS

None

Chair