



COMMUNITY SELECT COMMITTEE

Date: Wednesday 6 January 2016

Time: 6.00 p.m.

Place: Shimkent Room, Daneshill House, Stevenage SG1 1HN

Contact: Guy Moody

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Members: Councillors S Mead (Chair), M Notley (Vice Chair), L Bell, E Connolly, L Harrington, S Hearn, J Mead, C Saunders, G Snell and P Stuart.

AGENDA

PART I

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
- 2. MINUTES – 18 NOVEMBER 2015**

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Community Select Committee held on 18 November 2015.

Minutes attached.

- 3. WITNESS INTERVIEWS FOR THE LOCAL COMMUNITY BUDGET REVIEW**

The Committee will interview the Leader, Chief Executive and Alderman David Kissane as part of the review into Local Community Budgets.

- 4. MEMBER EVIDENCE GATHERING**

Members that have gathered specific evidence regarding their lead roles on the review may wish to share this with the Committee:

Cllrs Elaine Connolly & Liz Harrington - purpose and focus of LCBs

Cllrs Loraine Bell and Sarah Mead - analysis of LCB allocations by projects

Cllrs Pam Stuart and Chris Saunders - perceived Value for Money and use of resources

Cllr Sarah Mead - LCB spend alignment with corporate, local and town wide needs

Cllr John Mead - Equalities & Diversity Issues. How do protected characteristic groups access and receive funding compared with the wider community?

Cllr John Mead - examples of similar Local Member Budgets from other authorities. Example scheme attached.

Cllr Margaret Notley - examples of a good use of LCB funds to celebrate successes.

5. NEXT STEPS

Members are requested to note the next steps in the review process:

A further interview session with witnesses identified in the review scope, next interview meeting date, Monday 18 January 2016:

- Executive Portfolio Holder(s) for Resources, Cllr Mrs Joan Lloyd & Neighbourhoods & Co-operative Council, Cllr Simon Speller.
- Shared Anti-Fraud Service.

6. URGENT PART 1 BUSINESS

To consider any Part 1 business accepted by the Chair as urgent.

7. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

To consider the following Motion -

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 involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in paragraphs 1-7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

PART II

8. URGENT PART II BUSINESS

To consider any Part II business accepted by the Chair as urgent.