

GROWTH & INFRASTRUCTURE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the meeting held on Thursday, 14 July 2011 commencing at 10.00 am and finishing at 1.00 pm

Present:

Voting Members: Councillor David Nimmo-Smith – in the Chair

Councillor Nicholas P. Turner (Deputy Chairman)
Councillor Anne Purse
Councillor Roger Belson
Councillor Michael Gibbard
Councillor Pete Handley
Councillor Charles Mathew
Councillor Keith Strangwood
Councillor John Tanner
Councillor David Turner

Other Members in Attendance: Councillor Lorraine Lindsay-Gale

Officers: Huw Jones
Martin Tugwell
Steve Howell
Peter Day
Katie Barrett
Jayme Radford
Simon Grove-White

The Scrutiny Committee considered the matters, reports and recommendations contained or referred to in the agenda for the meeting [, together with a schedule of addenda tabled at the meeting/the following additional documents:] and agreed as set out below. Copies of the agenda and reports [agenda, reports and schedule/additional documents] are attached to the signed Minutes.

17/11 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS (Agenda No. 1)

There were no absences or temporary appointments

18/11 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - SEE GUIDANCE NOTE ON THE BACK PAGE

(Agenda No. 2)

There were no declarations of interest

19/11 MINUTES

(Agenda No. 3)

The minutes of the meeting on May 25th 2011 were signed and approved.

20/11 SPEAKING TO OR PETITIONING THE COMMITTEE

(Agenda No. 4)

There were no requests to speak to or petition the Committee.

21/11 FORWARD PLAN

(Agenda No. 5)

The committee discussed the Forward Plan for 2011/12.

Martin Tugwell AGREED to give an update on partnership working within the Countryside Service.

Huw Jones AGREED to provide further detail on LTP3 schemes relating to the Carterton area, at the request of Councillor Handley

22/11 WASTE PLANNING STRATEGY

(Agenda No. 6)

The committee received a presentation on the Waste Planning Strategy from Martin Tugwell, Deputy Director for Growth and Infrastructure. Peter Day, Minerals & Waste Policy Team Leader, fielded questions from the committee. The presentation and report are attached.

Discussion focussed on the economic incentives and policy controls driving positive behaviour.

Councillor N. Turner highlighted an apparent conflict between sections W3 and W7 of the report. Peter Day assured the committee that there was no conflict but AGREED to amend the wording of W7 to clarify.

The committee NOTED the document and look forward to examining it further after public consultation.

Officers AGREED to highlight tracked changes for the next viewing.

23/11 COMMUNITY TRANSPORT REVIEW UPDATE

(Agenda No. 7)

The committee received an update on the ongoing development of the Community Transport Strategy from Katie Barrett, Strategic Transport Manager, and Jayme Radford, Transport Planner. The briefing note is attached.

The committee NOTED the document and RESOLVED that a more detailed discussion of the strategy should take place in September.

24/11 DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

(Agenda No. 8)

Huw Jones, Director for Environment and Economy, updated the committee on current developments within the directorate.

Discussion covered the strategies in place to manage defect repairs and recent performance improvements in this area; Section 106 agreements; change management within the directorate, including updates on the progress of departmental restructures; and strategies to incentivise business growth through the Local Enterprise Partnership.

The director AGREED to provide a schedule on the key dates relating to directorate restructures.

The committee requested a detailed update on the progress of the LEP. The director and chairman AGREED to action this request.

25/11 CLOSE OF MEETING

(Agenda No. 9)

The meeting closed at 13:00

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Date of signing