

CANNOCK CHASE COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
WELLBEING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
TUESDAY 17 NOVEMBER, 2020 AT 4.00 P.M.
IN THE CIVIC CENTRE, BEECROFT ROAD, CANNOCK

PART 1

PRESENT: Councillors:

Freeman, Miss. M.A. (Chairman)
Jones, Mrs. V. (Chairman)

Buttery, M.S.	Stretton, Mrs. P.Z.
Crabtree, S.K.	Sutton, Mrs. H.M.
Dudson, A.	Todd, Mrs. D.M.
Muckley, A.M.	Witton, P.T.
Smith, C.D.	

Also present: County Councillor P.M. Hewitt, Staffordshire County Council

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor C. Bennett and Independent Co-opted Member Simmy Akhtar, Healthwatch.

2. Declarations of Interests of Members in Contracts and Other Matters and Restrictions on Voting by Members and Party Whip Declarations

No declarations of interests in additions to those already confirmed by Members in the Register of Members Interests were made.

3. Minutes

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 3 March, 2019 be approved as a correct record.

4. Update – Healthwatch Staffordshire

The Healthwatch representative was unable to attend the meeting, however she had previously provided an email to Members with regard to Public Board documents, Annual report and recent projects.

5. Update – Staffordshire County Council’s Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee

Due to the number of meetings of the Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee, the Chairman advised Members to visit Staffordshire County Council’s website should they wish to see any of the meeting updates.

6. Health and Culture Priority Delivery Plan Performance Update – Q1 and Q2 2020/21

The Head of Environment and Healthy Lifestyles gave a summary to Members.

A Member referred to Item 6.3 of the document and asked if there was any update from meetings attended in respect of the Commonwealth Games in 2022.

The Head of Environment and Healthy Lifestyles responded and advised Members that there were regular meetings taking place between various groups. The Host Integration Group was currently involved in discussions around the mountain biking track. The Council had committed to investing £50K into the track and this would form part of the Commonwealth Games events, and it was hoped that this would provide a future legacy for local people to use.

A Member referred to Item 6.4 and was keen to know why a number of projects had been deferred.

The Head of Environment and Healthy Lifestyles explained to Members that some projects had been deferred due to the current pandemic and resources utilised during the ‘response’ phase. However, he indicated that the Council were again in the ‘response’ phase due to the second lock down.

Members noted the Health and Culture Priority Delivery Plan Performance Update – Q1 and Q2 2020/21

7. Covid-19 Recovery Strategy

The Head of Environment and Healthy Lifestyles gave a summary to Members.

A Member referred to Item 7.12 and was keen to know why there was no Priority RAG rating with regard to the Council’s aim to be carbon neutral by 2030.

The Head of Environment and Healthy Lifestyles explained that there was no target as the impact of being carbon neutral would need to be considered in everything being re-shaped by the Council. He also indicated that a carbon neutral plan would need to be produced by the end of the year which was an important piece of work.

In response to a further question, the Head of Environment and Healthy Lifestyles reported that the Carbon Baseline had been received and explained that a costed action plan would be produced and it was hoped to be delivered by Quarter 4.

A Member asked a number of questions around the Council’s financial reserves and deficits and how it would impact on certain areas. The Head of Environment

and Healthy Lifestyles would need to provide this information separately although it was part of the Financial Recovery Plan.

Members noted the Covid-19 Recovery Strategy.

CHAIRMAN

The meeting closed at 4.25 pm