

Time Commenced – 5.00pm
Time Finished – 6.55pm

Executive Scrutiny Board

14 February 2023

Present: Councillor Repton (Chair)
Councillors Care, Dhindsa, Jennings, Martin, Prosser, Whitby

In attendance: Councillor Eyre – Cabinet Member for Community
Development, Place and Tourism
Mark Elliott – Library Services Manager
David Fletcher – Director of City Development and Growth
Steven Mason – Democratic Services Officer
Chris Morgan – Principal Regeneration Manager
Gurmail Nizzer – Director of Integrated CYP Commissioning
Rachel North – Strategic Director of Communities and Place
Simon Riley – Strategic Director of Corporate Resources
Owen Swift – Physical Activity & Sport Strategic Manager
Andy Waterhouse – Spatial Planning Group Manager

72/22 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Carr, M Holmes and Roulstone.

73/22 Late Items

There were none.

74/22 Declarations of Interest

There were none.

75/22 Minutes of the meetings held on 1 February 2023

The minutes of the meetings held on 1 February 2023 were agreed as a correct record.

76/22 Forward Plan

The Board considered the contents of the Forward Plan published on 17 January 2023 and 14 February 2023.

No items were added to the future work programme.

Resolved to note the Forward Plan.

77/22 Council Cabinet Responses to Scrutiny Recommendations

The Board considered a report of the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources which allowed the Scrutiny Board to receive responses from Council Cabinet on recommendations made at the previous Board meeting on 2 February 2023.

The Board resolved to note the report.

78/22 Council Cabinet Agenda

The Board considered a report of the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources on the Council Cabinet Agenda. Members considered the Council Cabinet agenda in its entirety for the meeting scheduled for Wednesday 15 February 2023.

Key Decisions

Determined School Admission Arrangements for Derby City Maintained and Voluntary Controlled Schools 2024-2025

The Board received a report of the Strategic Director of People Services on Determined School Admission Arrangements for Derby City Maintained and Voluntary Controlled Schools 2024-2025.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

Secondary School Place Planning Proposal – Saint Benedict Catholic Voluntary Academy

The Board received a report of the Strategic Director of People Services on Secondary School Place Planning Proposal – Saint Benedict Catholic Voluntary Academy.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

Post 16 -19 Home to School Travel Assistance Consultation Outcome

The Board received a report of the Strategic Director of People Services on Post 16 -19 Home to School Travel Assistance Consultation Outcome.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to make the following recommendation:

To ask Council Cabinet to provide support for parents to apply for bursaries, grants and additional Benefits for themselves or their post-16 SEND children.

Derby Football Hub

The Board received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Communities and Place) on Derby Football Hub.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

Derby & Derbyshire Minerals Local Plan – approval of plan for formal consultation and submission for examination

The Board received a report of the Director of Planning, Transport and Engineering on Derby & Derbyshire Minerals Local Plan – approval of plan for formal consultation and submission for examination.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

Community Managed Libraries Review - Update

The Board received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Communities and Place) on Community Managed Libraries Review – Update.

Members noted that an addendum had also been published with revised recommendations.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to make the following recommendation:

Council Cabinet urgently ends this worrying uncertainty and spells out very clearly which libraries could realistically stay open and how this will be achieved.

South Derby Growth Zone (SDGZ) and Infinity Garden Village (IGV) - use of Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) powers and details of collaboration agreements

The Board received a report of the Strategic Director of Communities and Place on South Derby Growth Zone (SDGZ) and Infinity Garden Village (IGV) - use of Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) powers and details of collaboration agreements.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

Procurement of a Strategic Development Partner to Support City Centre Regeneration

The Board received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Communities and Place) on Procurement of a Strategic Development Partner to Support City Centre Regeneration.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

Midland House Acquisition Support

The Board received a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Communities and Place) on Midland House Acquisition Support.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

Budget and Policy Framework

Medium Term Financial Plan 2023/24 – 2025/26 (Revenue Budget, Capital Budget, Dedicated Schools Grant, Reserves and Capital Strategy)

The Board received a report of the Section 151 Officer on Medium Term Financial Plan 2023/24 – 2025/26 (Revenue Budget, Capital Budget, Dedicated Schools Grant, Reserves and Capital Strategy).

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

Treasury Management and Investment Strategy 2023/24

The Board received a report of the Section 151 Officer on Treasury Management and Investment Strategy 2023/24.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

2022/23 Quarter 3 Financial Monitoring

The Board received a report of the Director of Financial Services on 2022/23 Quarter 3 Financial Monitoring.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

Contract and Financial Procedure Matters

Compliance with Contract and Financial Procedure Rules

The Board received a report of the Director of Financial Services on Compliance with Contract and Financial Procedure Rules.

The report informed Council Cabinet about the Department of Transport's (DfT) Safer Roads Fund (SRF) and the work that had been undertaken by the Road Safety Foundation (RSF) which identified, based on revised methodology, a road in Derby that requires attention to mitigate the risk of collisions.

Members noted that the report sought Council Cabinet approval for the following:

- To seek approval to submit a bid for funding to deliver measures and improvements to address those risks.

- Approval to add the Safer Roads Fund to the capital programme, subject to the agreement of the appropriate terms and conditions to accept the funding.

It was reported that an addendum had been published and sought Council Cabinet approval for the following:

- Acceptance of funding from the Office of Government Property (OGP) in the Cabinet Office £0.500m and associated delegated approvals to apply the funding.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to make the following recommendation:

To ask Council Cabinet to ensure that local members are included in discussions about proposals affecting property within their wards as part of the One Public Estate Place Pilot.

Performance

2022/23 - Q3 Performance Monitoring Report

The Board received a report of the Director of Policy, Insight and Communications on 2022/23 - Q3 Performance Monitoring Report.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

Exclusion of Press and Public

The Board resolved that under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during discussion of the following item on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

Key Decisions

Midland House Acquisition Support

The Board received exempt detail in the report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Communities and Place) on Midland House Acquisition Support.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

Budget and Policy Framework

2022/23 Quarter 3 Financial Monitoring - Business Rates and Housing Benefit Overpayment write-offs – Addendum paper

The Board received exempt detail in the report of the Director of Financial Services on 2022/23 Quarter 3 Financial Monitoring - Business Rates and Housing Benefit Overpayment write-offs.

The Executive Scrutiny Board resolved to note the report.

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