



Leicester
City Council

MINUTE EXTRACT

Minutes of the Meeting of the
OVERVIEW SELECT COMMITTEE

Held: WEDNESDAY, 10 NOVEMBER 2021 at 5:30 pm

P R E S E N T:

Councillor Cassidy (Chair)

Councillor Gee
Councillor Halford
Councillor Joel

Councillor Joshi
Councillor Kitterick
Councillor Porter

Councillor Thalukdar
Councillor Westley

Also present:

Sir Peter Soulsby

City Mayor

In Attendance

Councillor Cutkelvin

Assistant City Mayor, Education and Housing

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37. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Govind, and Deputy City Mayor Councillor Russell.

38. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were asked to disclose any pecuniary or other interests they may have in the business on the agenda.

With regards to agenda items, Councillor Westley declared that some of his family Members were tenants of private landlords.

In accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct, these interests were not considered so significant that they were likely to prejudice the Councillor's judgement of the public interest. The Member was not, therefore, required to withdraw from the meeting.

50. SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2019 - 2021

Councillor Cassidy, Chair of the Overview Select Committee presented the draft Scrutiny Annual Report for 2019-21 which summarised activity of each of the Scrutiny Commissions.

The Chair noted the report was usually compiled annually, but no report had been completed for 2019/20 due to the Coronavirus pandemic. The Chair further noted that it had been a difficult period for the Council and the people of Leicester. It was reported that scrutiny had looked carefully at the work undertaken in response to the pandemic and the report included a summary of activity during the period.

The Chair added the report focussed a lot on the pandemic but had not ignored other important work. Given that further scrutiny reviews were continuing, as Chair of Overview Select Committee, he felt that that scrutiny was in good hands in terms of officers working with Members in a positive way, and he hoped the report showed how scrutiny had served as a critical friend to the Executive.

The Chair recommended that the report be presented to the meeting of Full Council on 25 November 2021. This was seconded by Councillor Joel.

AGREED:

That the draft Scrutiny Annual Report for 2019-2021 and the Chair's comments be noted and forwarded to the meeting of Full Council on 25 November 2021.