

MEETING OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT SCRUTINY COMMISSION

DATE: WEDNESDAY, 24 JANUARY 2018

TIME: 5:30 pm

PLACE: Meeting Room G.01, Ground Floor, City Hall, 115 Charles

Street, Leicester, LE1 1FZ

Members of the Commission

Councillor Gugnani (Chair)
Councillor Thalukdar (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Bajaj, Cank, Cutkelvin, Fonseca and Khote (1 unallocated non-grouped place)

Members of the Commission are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business listed overleaf.

Elaine Baker

For Monitoring Officer

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are asked to declare any interests they may have in the business to be discussed.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Appendix A

The Minutes of the meeting of the Neighbourhood Services and Community Involvement Scrutiny Commission held on 7 December 2017 are attached and Members are asked to confirm them as a correct record.

4. PROGRESS ON ACTIONS AGREED AT THE LAST MEETING

To note progress on actions agreed at the previous meeting and not reported elsewhere on the agenda (if any).

5. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

6. PETITIONS

The Monitoring Officer to report on the receipt of any petitions submitted in accordance with the Council's procedures.

7. QUESTIONS, REPRESENTATIONS AND STATEMENTS OF CASE

The Monitoring Officer to report on the receipt of any questions, representations and statements of case submitted in accordance with the Council's procedures.

8. LANGUAGE AND IT TRAINING

Appendix B

The Director of Learning Services submits a report detailing how the Adult Skills and Learning Service is helping the adult population from diverse and new communities in Leicester to compete for employment and training opportunities and engage better in local community life, with particular regard to those adults having language difficulties and/or difficulties accessing digital services. The Commission is recommended to:

- a) note the work being carried out in this area and refer residents to the service when needs are identified; and
- b) identify and inform the service of areas of unmet need, so that, if possible, they can be addressed within the planning of programmes for 2018-19.

Members of the Economic Development, Transport and Tourism Scrutiny Commission have been invited to the meeting to participate in the scrutiny of this item.

9. GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET 2018/19 TO Appendix C 2020/21

The Director of Finance submits a report setting out the City Mayor's proposed budget for 2018/18 to 2020/21. The Commission is recommended to pass any comments to the Overview Select Committee as part of its consideration of the report before it is presented to the Council meeting on 21 February 2018.

10. SPENDING REVIEWS

To receive an update on spending reviews affecting services within this Commission's portfolio and not considered elsewhere on the agenda. Members are recommended to receive the update and comment as appropriate.

11. WORK PROGRAMME

Appendix D

The current work programme for the Commission is attached. The Commission is asked to consider this and make comments and/or amendments as it considers necessary.

12. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS