

Minutes of the Meeting of the OVERVIEW SELECT COMMITTEE

Held: THURSDAY, 1 NOVEMBER 2018 at 5:30 pm

PRESENT:

Councillor Singh (Chair)
Councillor Govind (Vice Chair)

Councillor Bajaj Councillor Cleaver Councillor Cutkelvin
Councillor Grant

Councillor Gugnani Councillor Khote

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In Attendance

Councillor Myers – Assistant City Mayor – Entrepreneurial Councils Agenda.

35. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Dawood and Westley. The City Mayor also submitted his apologies.

36. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Govind declared that in respect of the Scrutiny Report into the review of the Bus Services Act 2017, he worked for a bus company.

45. DRAFT SCRUTINY REPORT 2016-2018

Councillor Singh, Chair of the Overview Select Committee presented the Draft Scrutiny Report 2016-2018 and said that this had also been sent to the previous Chairs of the different Commissions to seek their views. The Scrutiny Report would be submitted to Full Council on Thursday 15 November 2018.

The Chair invited comments and questions. Comments from Members, included the following:

- Councillor Cutkelvin, Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Commission stated that the Commission had been pleased that the Local Authority had kept the sports services 'in house' rather than contracting them out to other providers. Councillor Cutkelvin added that the Leisure Centres were a very important part of the city's health economy and health and wellbeing going forward.
- Councillor Cleaver, Chair of the Adult Social Care Scrutiny Commission welcomed the references in the report to the Commission's in depth look at communication relating to autism. She expressed concerns that there were people with little knowledge of autism and suggested that everyone needed to try for a better understanding of the condition. It may be that someone was not mis-behaving in a public place, but just had different communication skills. Councillor Cleaver thanked everyone who had contributed towards this work on autism.

The Chair thanked all the Scrutiny Chairs and Members for their work in the Commissions over the previous two years and stated that Members would have a further chance to comment on the report at Full Council.

AGREED:

that the Draft Scrutiny Report 2016-2018 and Members' comments be noted and forwarded to the meeting of Full Council on 15 November 2018