

Meeting of the Full Council – 13 October 2016

Report on the Scrutiny Committee meetings held on 17 June, 22 July, 22 and 23 September 2016

Chair: County Councillor Bill Winlow

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17 June 2016

Newton Europe Consultants

The Committee was provided with a presentation on an overview of how the role and remit of Newton Europe was contributing to the transformation of the design and delivery of services which would result in improved outcomes for adults.

Resolved: That;

1. The report be noted
2. The Committee receive periodical updates on how the recruitment of additional social workers was easing waiting times and how Adult Services was maximising its productivity.
3. The Committee receive data for sandbox Clinical Assessment Service (CAS) to Screening Initial Assessment (SIAS) referrals and non-sandbox CAS to SIAS referrals.
4. The Committee receive information on the current position of Liquid Logic and future plans in relation to improving service delivery

Strategic Economic Plan

The Committee was presented with a progress update on the Strategic Economic Plan including key initiatives and programmes.

Resolved: That the Committee note the update report.

22 July 2016

Transport Asset Management Plan (TAMP) Data Refresh June 2016

The Committee was updated on the background to highway maintenance funding, and the importance of an effective TAMP.

Resolved: That the Committee note the content of the TAMP data refresh June 2016 document.

Highways Performance

The report presented was in response to the Scrutiny Committee's request for an update on service response times to Member enquiries. The report provided an overview of the current resources, communication arrangements and performance levels.

Resolved: That;

1. The Committee note the report
2. Phil Durnell and Christine Entwistle would liaise with members directly regarding the comments they had made about specific issues in their locality.

Response by the Cabinet Member for Environment, Planning and Cultural Services to the recommendations of the Scrutiny Committee's Review of Planning Matters

The Scrutiny Committee had made recommendations following a review by the Planning Matters Task Group formed at the request of CC Liz Oades.

The report presented set out the response from the Cabinet Member for Environment, Planning and Cultural Services to the Committee's recommendations. Some of the recommendations related to the portfolios of the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport, and the Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Schools. Where appropriate their views had been sought.

Resolved: That;

1. The Committee note the support for all the recommendations from the Cabinet Member for Environment, Planning and Cultural Services
2. The recommendation on Flood Risk Management be passed to the Flood Risk Management Team so it can report back to the Scrutiny Committee at the October meeting.

22 September 2016

Request to consider a Call In – The Property Strategy – Responses to Consultation

Following a request by seven County Councillors in accordance with the "Call In" procedure rules, the Committee considered a report outlining the decision of the Cabinet on 8 September 2016 in relation to the Property Strategy.

Resolved: That the cabinet be asked to reconsider its decision of 8 September 2016 in relation to the Property Strategy, on the following grounds:

1. Both the consultation and the cabinet decision were based on incorrect financial information and the decision does not meet the Council's own priorities to support the needs of the residents of Lancashire, particularly the more deprived communities

2. The Scrutiny Committee also sought assurances that the methodology was applied consistently and fairly

23 September 2016

Prevent

A report was presented to the Committee providing information on the implementation of the Prevent Duty, Section 26 of the Counter-terrorism and Security Act 2015 across the authority since its commencement in July 2015, and our partnership working arrangements with regard to Prevent.

Resolved: That the Committee:

1. Note the report;
2. Note the developments and comment as appropriate;
3. Consider receiving further updates on Prevent including the developing Prevent Strategy.

Hate Crime

The Committee was informed that Lancashire County Council had considered a notice of motion at Full Council on 21 July 2016 relating to hate crime and from this, the Council resolved to:

- Display the opening paragraph in this motion prominently on the county council website and that a press release is issued to publicise the motion.
- Ask the [scrutiny committee](#) to review the current measures taken to counter racism, xenophobia, and hate crime and report back to Full Council.
- Support and work with people who are victims of hate crime, racism or xenophobia to feel confident in coming forward and reporting it.

The report provided the Scrutiny Committee with information relating to the current measures in place and support available.

Resolved: That the Committee:

1. Note the report
2. Note the developments and comment as appropriate.