

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee

held on Thursday, 20th November, 2014 at Committee Suite 1,2 & 3,
Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor G Baxendale (Chairman)
Councillor M Grant (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors W S Davies, P Edwards, H Gaddum, P Hayes, K Hickson and
P Whiteley

In Attendance

Councillor L Smetham – Deputy Portfolio Holder, Strategic Outcomes
K Hercules – Principal Manager, Partnerships and Communities
L Woodrow Hurst – Anti-Social Behaviour Team Leader

17 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence

18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest

19 WHIPPING DECLARATIONS

There were no whipping declarations

20 PUBLIC SPEAKING

There were no members of the public present wishing to speak

21 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 25 SEPTEMBER 2014

Consideration was given to the minutes of the meeting held on 25 September 2014.

RESOLVED

That the minutes be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

22 QUARTER 2 - TATTON PARK ENTERPRISES

Consideration was given to a presentation on the second quarter performance of Tatton Park Enterprises (TPE), the presentation highlighted that TPE:

- Provides labour, supplies and services to support the catering at Tatton Park.
- Does not currently trade or undertake any services outside Tatton Park and therefore had no external customers.
- Operated on a 'not for profit' basis. All costs of Tatton Park Enterprises were fully reimbursed from the Tatton Park Trading Account.
- Main KPI is net contribution to Tatton Park Trading Account (sales net of running costs)
- At mid year TPE Ltd was on track to deliver the 2014/15 net contribution target.
- Currently employs 11 full time staff and up to 25 catering assistants across the stables and the gardeners cottage.
- Had received a loan of £240,000 from Cheshire East Council to renovate the gardeners cottage, which would be paid back over 12 years.

It was noted that there was a strong marketing campaign for Tatton Park, competition included Dunham Massey, Chester Zoo and Lyme Park. Tatton Park Vision highlighted the strategic direction up to 2017/2018. It contributed £8.9m towards the local economy and had won the visitor attraction award for 2014.

RESOLVED

That the second quarter report for Tatton Park Enterprises be received

23 ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, CRIME AND POLICING ACT 2014

Laura Woodrow Hurst gave a further presentation on the tools and powers of the Anti – Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014.

It was noted that the Council needed to decide on its policy for dealing with the tools and powers and include it in the constitution.

The Committee agreed that there was a lot of work involved for the legal team. It was agreed that the relevant legal officer should be invited to the Committee in 3 months time to discuss the sections capacity to deal with the additional work.

It was also agreed that the Committee should receive details of the appeals procedure and quarterly monitoring reports on how the powers are being used and how often.

RESOLVED

1. That the relevant legal officer be invited to Committee in 3 months time to discuss the sections capacity to deal with the tools and powers of the Anti – Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014.
2. That the Committee receive details of the appeals procedure.
3. That the Committee receive quarterly monitoring reports on how the powers are being used and how often.

24 FORWARD PLAN

Consideration was given to the items on the forward plan which fell within the remit of the Committee.

RESOLVED

That the forward plan be received.

25 WORK PROGRAMME

Consideration was given to the work programme. Councillor K Edwards attended the meeting to request that, in light of the recent media attention, Members investigate what Cheshire East does to ensure women's safety, particularly in regard to rape, domestic violence and internet trolling.

RESOLVED

That the Committee receive a report on what steps are taken by Cheshire East to ensure women's safety.

The meeting commenced at 10.30 am and concluded at 12.15 pm

Councillor G Baxendale (Chairman)