



Minutes

Name of meeting	CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
Date and time	TUESDAY, 11 JUNE 2019 AT 5.00 PM
Venue	COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL, NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT
Present	Cllrs Andrew Garratt (Chairman), Debbie Andre, Julie Jones-Evans, Michael Lilley, Lora Peacey-Wilcox, Brian Tyndall
Co-opted (Voting)	Gill Kennett (IWALC Rep)
Cabinet Members	Cllrs Paul Brading, Steve Hastings, Tig Outlaw, Dave Stewart, Ian Ward
Officers Present	Chris Ashman, Danika Barber, Natasha Dix, Amanda Gregory, Sarah Jackson, John Metcalfe, Alex Minns, Wendy Perera, Nikki Shave, Paul Thistlewood, Megan Tuckwell, Helen Turner, Tracey Webb

1. [Minutes](#)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Minutes of the meeting held on 7 May 2019 be confirmed.

2. [Declarations of Interest](#)

Cllr Lora Peacey-Wilcox declared an interest in relation minute item 7 as a user of the green waste bins and bins from the Amey contract.

Cllr Debbie Andre declared an interest in relation minute item 7 as a user of the green waste bins and bins from the Amey contract.

3. [Public Question Time](#)

Mr Martin Bake asked for the committees support in requesting a full assessment to be undertaken regarding possible health, safety, and environmental implications of wireless technology. The chairman clarified that the Policy and Scrutiny Committee for Neighbourhoods and Regeneration would consider how to address this.

A supplementary question was asked with regards to access to documentation on the council's contracts with suppliers of wireless technology. The Chief Executive advised that the Assistant Director of Corporate Services and Monitoring Officer would advise on any requests for the disclosure of documents, in accordance with appropriate legislation.

4. **Election of Vice Chairman**

Cllr Michael Lilley was nominated as vice chairman, which was moved and seconded. A vote was taken, the result of which was as follows:

RESOLVED:

THAT Cllr Michael Lilley be elected Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

5. **Progress on outcomes and recommendations from previous meetings**

The chairman presented the report on outcomes from previous meetings and the committee noted the progress against recommendations.

RESOLVED:

THAT progress on outcomes and recommendations be noted.

6. **Community Safety Partnership (CSP)**

The Chair of the Isle of Wight CSP presented the strategic assessment plan and comparative data update for the CSP.

Questions were raised regarding the spike in rates of reoffending and sexual offences and it was clarified that there was no reason to believe that an increase in offences was linked to prison releases. It was advised that data for the Isle of Wight included that of crimes which took place in prison, and members expressed concern that this could be distorting the data. Questions were raised regarding those killed or seriously injured on roads. Discussion took place regarding education on road safety and information was provided regarding the 'Safe Drive Stay Alive' and 'Head On' programmes. No data showed an increase in children killed or seriously injured while travelling to-and-from school since the reduction in crossing patrols. It was advised that the Community Safety Partnership had no direct finance and was resourced by each partner. Concerns were raised regarding CCTV and the committee sought the CSP's view on the decision to cease monitoring. The Leader reassured the committee that CCTV would continue to record and would be available to the police. The impact would be assessed after six months.

RESOLVED:

- i) THAT the report on progress achieved up to the end of May 2019 on the Isle of Wight Community Safety Partnership Delivery Plan 2018-20 be noted.
- ii) THAT the committee confirmed it was satisfied that the Community Safety Partnership fulfilled its statutory duty.

7. **Annual Waste and Recycling Customer Service Survey**

The Cabinet Member for Procurement, Waste Management, Special Projects and Forward Planning presented the results of the 2017 and 2018 Annual Waste and Recycling Customer Service Survey. It was noted that the results in 2018 showed higher participation and customer satisfaction than in 2017.

Members suggested that a shorter survey could encourage more people to respond. It was clarified that the survey was funded by the contractor to enable the council to monitor and identify reasons why some people choose not to recycle. Suggestions were made regarding the marketing of waste services that were available, and it was advised that waste would be doing similar marketing as has worked for the Council's leisure centres. With regards to lessons learnt, the Principal Manager for Waste and Recycling prepared written responses to previously submitted questions would be circulated to the committee. In addition the full range of comments made by the public in connection with the survey would be made available. It was advised that the new waste treatment plant at Forest Road, Newport was progressing and arrangements would be made for the committee to visit this.

RESOLVED:

- i) THAT arrangements be made for the committee to visit the new waste treatment plant at Forest Road, Newport.
- ii) THAT the comments submitted by the public in connection with the survey be circulated to the committee.
- iii) THAT the responses to the written questions supplied by the chair in advance of the meeting be circulated to the committee.

8. [Refresh of the Corporate Plan](#)

The Assistant Chief Executive and Director of Strategy outlined the process for the refresh of the Corporate Plan due to be considered by the Cabinet on 11 July 2019 and Full Council on 24 July 2019. It was noted that a number of projects had now been delivered and would be removed.

RESOLVED:

THAT the committee noted that the Corporate Plan for 2019-2022 would identify priorities which had been delivered, continue to be subject to the same performance measures (to enable comparisons from previous years), and continue to be used to help shape the workplan of the committee.

9. [Task Group reviews](#)

Cllr Tyndall advised that the work on Commercialisation was complete and a report would be presented at the next meeting. With regards to collaboration with town and parish councils, Cllr Andre advised that responses to the initial questionnaire had been low but did represent a cross-section of town/parish councils. A report would be brought to the next meeting with suggested outcomes.

RESOLVED:

THAT reports on the reviews undertaken on Commercialisation and Collaboration with Town and Parish Councils be submitted to the next meeting on 9 July 2019.

10. **Comments on items due to be considered by the Cabinet on 13 June 2019**

a) Quarterly Performance Management Report – Quarter Four

A range of issues were raised in connection with a number of measures and areas of expenditure and the report were noted.

b) Transport for South East Statutory Status

The report, including the arrangements for scrutiny, was noted. Cllr Lilley queried why the Isle of Wight had no designated 'clean air zones. It was clarified that this was designated in response to areas with issues with air quality, of which the island had none as of yet.

c) Isle of Wight Regeneration Strategy

A range of comments were made in connection to the Isle of Wight Regeneration Strategy, and it was suggested that consideration be given to updating the Strategy with case studies on the delivery of projects as-and-when they are completed.

d) Digital Island – The Isle of Wight Digital Strategy

The Leader advised that the report sought Cabinet approval for the Digital Island strategy confirming the council's commitment realising the opportunities for residents and businesses of a shared digital future, and proposed oversight of the strategy by an Isle of Wight Digital Board comprising key representatives from business, education, and the community.

RESOLVED:

- i) THAT the Quarterly Performance Management Report and the report on Transport for South East Statutory Status be noted.
- ii) THAT consideration should be given to updating the Isle of Wight Regeneration Strategy through its life with case studies on the delivery of projects.
- iii) THAT progress with the Isle of Wight Regeneration Strategy would be monitored by the Policy and Scrutiny Committee for Neighbourhoods and Regeneration.
- iv) THAT progress with the Digital Strategy would be monitored by the Policy and Scrutiny Committee for Neighbourhoods and Regeneration.

11. Leader's Update

The Leader provided the following updates:

- The Council had cancelled its membership with PUSH but retained membership with the Local Government Association.
- Over 7000 residents were now involved in garden waste collection contracts, which was double what had been anticipated, and due to the demand, there was now a waiting list.
- A 6-month peer inspection would be undertaken to look at the actions being taken following the Ofsted 'Good' rating on Children's Services.
- Planned maintenance had been carried out and the Cowes Floating Bridge was back in service ahead of the Isle of Wight Festival.

RESOLVED:

THAT the update be noted.

12. Committee's Workplan

The committee considered the workplan and the chair advised that it would be further populated in the coming months.

RESOLVED:

THAT the workplan be noted.

CHAIRMAN