

CLIMATE CHANGE AND COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Climate Change and Communities Scrutiny Committee of the Bolsover District Council held in the Council Chamber, The Arc, Clowne on Tuesday 17th October 2023 at 10:00 hours.

PRESENT:-

Members:-

Councillor Catherine Tite in the Chair

Councillors Rob Hiney-Saunders, Cathy Jeffery, Emma Stevenson (for item CLI15-23/24 only), Ashley Taylor and Carol Wood.

Officers:- Jim Fieldsend (Service Director Governance and Legal Services & Monitoring Officer), Laura Duck (Commissioning and Contracts Manager), Arron Johnson (Partnership and Strategy Manager), and Amy Bryan (Governance and Civic Manager).

Also in attendance at the meeting was Councillor Anne Clarke (Portfolio Holder for Environment).

CLI9-23/24 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence received.

CLI10-23/24 URGENT ITEMS

There were no urgent items of business to be considered at the meeting.

CLI11-23/24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

CLI12-23/24 MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Rob Hiney-Saunders and seconded by Councillor Cathy Jeffery **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Climate Change and Communities Scrutiny Committee held on 4th July 2023 be approved as a correct record.

CLI13-23/24 LIST OF KEY DECISIONS AND ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED IN PRIVATE

Committee noted the current List of Key Decisions and Items to be considered in private document.

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CLI14-23/24 REVIEW OF VOLUNTARY & COMMUNITY SECTOR GRANT ALLOCATIONS: POST-SCRUTINY MONITORING (FINAL REPORT)

Committee considered a report which presented the final post-scrutiny monitoring report on the recent Review of Voluntary & Community Sector (VCS) Grant Allocations.

The report stated that to date 11 out of 12 recommendations had been achieved, four of which had been completed but behind schedule, and one had been further extended.

The original recommendations along with Executive's response was attached to the report at Appendix 1. The latest update on the implementation of the scrutiny review's recommendations was attached to the report at Appendix 2.

In answer to a question regarding the social investment or value in monetary terms of any grant funding the Commissioning and Contracts Manager and the Partnership and Strategy Manager explained about the LOOP system that was used to forecast and evaluate projects and to assess the social value outputs from VCS grants.

Moved by Councillor Carol Wood and seconded by Councillor Rob Hiney-Saunders **RESOLVED** that (1) the progress against the review recommendations be noted.

(2) the exceptions to delivery be noted.

(3) the report and findings be made public, in accordance with Part 4.5.17(4) of the Council's Constitution.

(4) officers continue to implement the recommendations and submit a further report in six months' time highlighting progress and any exceptions to delivery.

CLI15-23/24 CLIMATE CHANGE AND COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2023/24

Committee considered its work programme for 2023/24, which was attached to the report at Appendix 1.

Committee also considered the draft scope for the Review of Council's Energy Policy for Local Housing, which was attached to the report at Appendix 2. Committee discussed the proposed scope for the review and the Monitoring Officer confirmed that the scope would be kept to up to date with any changes in legislation.

Moved by Councillor Emma Stevenson and seconded by Councillor Cathy Jeffery **RESOLVED** that the (1) Work Programme 2023/24 be noted.

(2) draft scope for the Review of Council's Energy Policy for Local Housing be approved for delivery during 2023/24.

The formal part of the meeting concluded at 10:39 hours and Members then met as a working party to continue their review work. The informal meeting closed at 11:50 hours.