

BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

HEALTH, WELLBEING AND THE ENVIRONMENT O&S

COMMITTEE

1000 hours on 28th March 2017, Committee Room 3 & 4 – Actions

Present:

Councillor John Cotton (Chair)

Councillors Deirdre Alden, Sue Anderson, Mick Brown, Andrew Hardie, Kath Hartley, Mohammed Idrees, Simon Jevon and Robert Pocock

Also Present:

Rose Kiely, Overview & Scrutiny Manager, Scrutiny Office

Gail Sadler, Research & Policy Officer, Scrutiny Office

Mike Walsh, Head of Service – Intelligence, Strategy & Prioritisation, Commissioning Centre for Excellence

Carl Griffiths, Assistant Director, Social Care

Kevin Blacktop, Senior Research and Development Specialist, Network Rail

Patrick Power, Station Manager, Birmingham New Street, Network Rail

Kris Jeffrey, Occupational Health, Network Rail

1. NOTICE OF RECORDING

The Chairman advised that this meeting would be webcast for live or subsequent broadcast via the Council's Internet site (which could be accessed at "www.birminghamnewsroom.com") and members of the press/public may record and take photographs.

The whole of the meeting would be filmed except where there were confidential or exempt items.

2. APOLOGIES

Councillors Uzma Ahmed, Carole Griffiths and Karen McCarthy.

3. ACTION NOTES/ISSUES ARISING

The action notes of the meetings held on 21st February 2017 were noted.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

5. 2015-16 LOCAL PERFORMANCE ACCOUNT

Mike Walsh (Head of Service – Intelligence, Strategy & Prioritisation, Commissioning Centre for Excellence) and Carl Griffiths (Assistant Director, Social Care) introduced the report which provides a summary of progress against a set of measures for adults who receive social care support. In particular, examples were highlighted of measures that had improved and fallen compared with the previous year. Members were advised of specific measures in need of improvement which they might wish to monitor more closely going forward.

RESOLVED:-

- Concern was raised about the timeliness of the report and it was agreed that the report would be presented much earlier in the next municipal year.
- Performance data would be presented to the committee in the form of a dashboard. The data would also include trends regarding complaints.
- The committee should also receive reports on the progress with savings and the impact on service delivery.
- Both performance data and savings reports to be presented to committee on a regular basis.

6. IMPACT OF POOR AIR QUALITY ON HEALTH IN BIRMINGHAM INQUIRY – EVIDENCE FROM NETWORK RAIL

Kevin Blacktop (Senior Research and Development Specialist), Patrick Power (Station Manager, Birmingham New Street) and Kris Jeffrey (Occupational Health) introduced a presentation on the current research project they are carrying out, in conjunction with the University of Birmingham, to assess the air quality at Birmingham New Street Station. This included the instruments/methods used to measure Carbon Dioxide, Nitrogen Dioxide and particulate matter both inside and outside the station and the timetable for analysing the results and reporting findings.

RESOLVED:-

- Kevin Blacktop agreed to provide information on planned electrification schemes.
- It was suggested that the final report produced by the University of Birmingham should be a multi-agency report which includes Local Authority data.

7. HEALTH, WELLBEING AND THE ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2016-17

The work programme was submitted. The Chair reminded members about the visits to Summer Hill House and the West Midlands Ambulance Service Hub on 13th and 20th April respectively and the need to inform Scrutiny Officers if they wish to attend.

RESOLVED:-

That the work programme be noted.

8. REQUEST(S) FOR CALL IN/COUNCILLOR CALL FOR ACTION/PETITIONS

None

9. OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

None

10. AUTHORITY TO CHAIRMAN AND OFFICERS

RESOLVED:-

That in an urgent situation between meetings the Chair, jointly with the relevant Chief Officer, has authority to act on behalf of the Committee.

The meeting ended at 1056 hours.