



## **Minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Board**

**19 September 2019**

**-: Present :-**

Councillor Howgate (Chairman)

Councillors Brown, Bye, Foster, Kennedy, Loxton, Atiya-Alla and Doggett

(Also in attendance: Councillors Brooks, Ellery, Law, Chris Lewis, Long, Mills, David Thomas and John Thomas)

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### **12. Apologies**

It was reported that, in accordance with the wishes of the Liberal Democrat Group, the membership of the Board had been amended to include Councillors Doggett and Atiya-Alla in place of Councillors Mandy Darling and Heyse.

### **13. Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 20 August 2019 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

### **14. Land Release Fund**

The Board considered a report prepared by the Interim Director of Place and a separate report prepared by Councillor Kennedy. The attached report set out the Boards recommendations to Cabinet.

### **15. Budget Monitoring 2019/20 - Quarter One**

The Board noted a report that provided a high level budget summary of the Council's forecasted revenue and capital income and expenditure for quarter one of the 2019/20 financial year.

### **16. Turning the Tide on Poverty**

The Board received a presentation from the Director of Public Health on 'Turning the Tide of Poverty – Opportunities and Challenges'. The presentation set out the following six policy areas:

- Give every child the best start in life;
- Enable all children and young people and adults to maximise their capabilities and have control over their lives;
- Create fair employment and good work for all;
- Ensure healthy standards of living for all;

- Create and develop healthy and sustainable places and communities; and
- Strengthen the role of ill health prevention.

The Director of Public Health detailed the work that was already underway and set out the potential for future opportunities if a place based planning approach was adopted.

The Board considered the six policy areas and determined that a task and finish group on each policy area would enable members to meet with partners and fully analyse the effects of the current work and what other work could be done to further address the issues of poverty.

### **Resolved**

That a Task and Finish Group be established to consider the following policy areas:

- Give every child the best start in life;
- Enable all children and young people and adults to maximise their capabilities and have control over their lives;
- Create fair employment and good work for all;
- Ensure healthy standards of living for all;
- Create and develop healthy and sustainable places and communities; and
- Strengthen the role of ill health prevention.

Chairman

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