

Communities & Localism Select Committee Agenda

Date: Thursday 29 June 2023

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: The Paralympic Room, Buckinghamshire Council, Gatehouse Road, Aylesbury

HP19 8FF

Membership:

S Bowles (Chairman), A Waite, A Alam, S Barrett, P Cooper, P Drayton, G Hollis, M Hussain JP, M Knight, F Mahon, C Oliver, G Smith, M Stannard, L Smith BEM, C Harriss and A Hussain

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- 1 Apologies for absence / Changes in membership
- 2 Appointment of Vice-Chairman
- 3 Declarations of Interest

4 Minutes 5 - 14

The minutes of the meetings held on 19th April and 17th May 2023 to be confirmed as a correct record.

5 Public Questions

Public questions is an opportunity for people who live, work or study in Buckinghamshire to put a question to a Select Committee.

The Committee will hear from members of the public who have submitted questions in advance relating to items on the agenda. The Cabinet Member, relevant key partners and responsible officers will be invited to respond.

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6 Healthy Libraries

The Committee will receive an overview of a recent Healthy Libraries pilot project, delivered jointly by Libraries and Public Health.

Contributors:

Cllr Clive Harriss, Cabinet Member for Culture and Leisure Sophie Payne, Head of Culture and Leisure David Jones, Head of Libraries Katie DeJoux, Culture and Outreach Services Manager Gina Nicholls, Health & Information Services Manager Stephanie Moffatt, Programme Lead or Frances Mason, Public Health Principal

7 VCS Grant Overview

The Committee will have an opportunity to review the new arrangements being proposed for the administration of grants for the VCS sector. The presentation will include an overview of the background to the VCS Grant review, governance processes and consultation that has taken place with the sector to date.

Contributors:

Cllr Arif Hussain, Cabinet Member for Communities Sarah Ashmead, Deputy Chief Executive Hannah Thynne, Head of Policy and Improvement Jack Pearce, Senior Policy Officer 10:10 15 - 32

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8 Digital Exclusion Review Scope

Members have expressed an interest in undertaking an indepth review into the topic of Digital Exclusion. The Committee are invited to consider and agree a scope for this piece of work and volunteers will be sought to join the review group.

Contributors:

Kelly Sutherland, Scrutiny Manager All members

9 Work Programme

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The Committee will discuss the draft work programme for the coming year.

Contributors:

All Committee Members

10 Date and time of the next meeting

The next meeting will take place on 4th October 2023 at 10am.

If you would like to attend a meeting, but need extra help to do so, for example because of a disability, please contact us as early as possible, so that we can try to put the right support in place.

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