

SCRUTINY BOARD (INCLUSIVE GROWTH, CULTURE AND SPORT)

WEDNESDAY, 11TH OCTOBER, 2017

PRESENT: Councillor A Lamb in the Chair

Councillors B Flynn, R Grahame,
M Harland, G Hyde, J Illingworth, S Lay,
K Maqsood, R. Stephenson and
K Wakefield

26 Late Items

There were no late items.

27 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were no disclosable pecuniary interests declared to the meeting.

28 Apologies for Absence and Notification of Substitutes

Apologies for absence were submitted by Councillors M Robinson and N Walshaw.

Notification had been received that Councillor B Flynn was to substitute for Councillor M Robinson.

29 Minutes - 6th September 2017

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 6 September 2017 be approved as a correct record.

30 Systems approach to physical activity in Leeds

The Head of Sport and Active Lifestyles submitted a report which outlined a new model for the delivery of physical activity within localities and sought support in engaging communities and partners into this collaborative, systems based approach.

The following information was appended to the report:

- Sport England – Local Delivery Pilots, Expression of Interest form (March 2017)

The following were in attendance:

- Councillor James Lewis, Executive Member for Resources and Strategy
- Mark Allman, Head of Sport and Active Lifestyles

- Susan Haigh, Active Leeds Partnership Manager, Sport & Active Lifestyles
- Gill Keddie, Development Manager, Sport & Active Lifestyles
- Judith Fox, Public Health Manager, Adults and Health
- Mark Mills, Executive Manager, Asset Management and Regeneration
- Baksho Uppal, Area Leader, Communities Team.

The Board received a PowerPoint presentation on 'Approaches to reducing physical inactivity in the city'.

The key areas of discussion were:

- The health and wider benefits of physical activity.
- The need to embed physical activity into people's everyday lives in terms of the physical and social environments.
- The strong links between inactivity and deprivation – the Board particularly acknowledged how this informed the Council's original expression of interest to the Sports England Local Delivery Pilot fund in March 2017.
- The reasons for the local delivery pilot bid not being successful and details of subsequent discussions held with Sport England to still develop an investment plan for whole systems work in priority communities in Leeds.
- The opportunities presented by the Council's move towards more focused locality working in terms of achieving greater alignment and more collaboration around the physical activity agenda. Reference was also made to the case study work undertaken with the Communities Team in the inner south of the city.
- An overview of existing successful local projects.
- The need to promote the range of activities in communities and making greater use of existing provision. Linked to this, the Board particularly recognised the need for schools to also open up their sports facilities and pitches for wider community use.
- The importance of a whole school approach including physical education, after-school sports and active travel to and from school.
- The involvement of sports clubs, e.g. Leeds Rhinos and Yorkshire Cricket Club, in encouraging young people to take up physical activity.
- The next steps and key challenges in delivering a systems approach to physical activity.
- The Board acknowledged the powerful contribution that physical activity and sport can have in support of wider council outcomes and priorities. It therefore agreed to arrange a further session surrounding the development of a systems approach to physical activity and to invite a wider range of representatives, including the Council's Chief Executive and Leader.

RESOLVED – That a further session surrounding the development of a systems approach to physical activity is scheduled into the Board's work schedule.

(Councillor R Stephenson left the meeting at 11.05am, Councillor K Maqsood at 12.30pm and Councillor B Flynn at 12.40pm, during the consideration of this item).

31 Work Schedule

The Head of Governance and Scrutiny Support submitted a report which invited Members to consider the Board's work schedule for the 2017/18 municipal year.

The following updates were provided:

- Council's approach towards Devolution – the Board agreed to hold a working group meeting to consider potential gaps and opportunities regarding delivery of the devolution agenda. It was agreed that the meeting be held on Monday, 13 November 2017 at 9.30am.
- Locality Working – It was advised that Environment, Housing and Communities Scrutiny Board was holding a working group meeting on Monday, 30 October at 9.00am to discuss the development of a new locality working model. In view of the cross-cutting nature of this matter, other Scrutiny Board Chairs were being invited to attend this working group meeting or to nominate another Scrutiny Board representative in their absence. Councillor S Lay expressed an interest in attending this working group meeting if required.

RESOLVED – That subject to any on-going discussions and scheduling decisions, the Board's outline work schedule be approved.

32 Date and Time of Next Meeting

Wednesday, 15 November 2017 at 10.00am (pre-meeting for all Board Members at 9.30am)

(The meeting concluded at 12.55pm)