

EAST STAFFORDSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

SCRUTINY (REGENERATION, DEVELOPMENT AND MARKET HALL) COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting of the Scrutiny (Regeneration, Development and Market Hall) Committee held in the Coltman VC Room, Town Hall on Thursday 9th November 2023 at 6.30pm.

Present:

Councillors K. Smith (Chairman), G. Allen (Minute nos. 29/23 to 36/23 inclusive), A. Clarke, M. Huckerby, R. Lock, M. Shrive

Officers Present:

Jennifer Norman (Programmes and Transformation Officer), Andy O'Brien (Chief Executive) (Minute nos. 31/23 to 36/23 inclusive), Mark Rizk (Head of Corporate and Environment Services), Michael Hovers (Communities and Open Spaces Manager), Martyn Peters (Maintenance Officer), Lee Ferrigon (Markets Team Leader), Daniel Caulkett (Democratic Services Officer)

Also Present:

Councillor P. Walker (Cabinet Member for Tourism and Cultural Development)

Apologies for absence were received from: Councillors A. Afsar and T. Hadley

24/23 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest at the commencement of the meeting.

25/23 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There was no urgent business submitted to the meeting pursuant to Rule 12.

26/23 **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

There were no questions from members of the public submitted.

27/23 **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE**

There were no questions from members of the Committee submitted.

28/23 **PUBLIC MINUTES**

Resolved:

That the Public Minutes of the Meeting held on the 21st September 2023 be approved by the Committee and signed as a correct record.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows.

Those voting for the motion	Those voting against	Those abstaining
Councillor K. Smith Councillor G. Allen Councillor A. Clarke Councillor M. Huckerby Councillor R. Lock Councillor M. Shrive		

29/23 **FUTURE REVIEWS**

The Programmes and Transformation Officer invited Members of the Committee to submit future Scrutiny Review items, with the below suggested:

- Views from traders on the way the Market Hall is managed
- MH running costs and who pays for this going forward

NOTED.

At this juncture Councillor G. Allen joined the meeting.

30/23 **PUBLIC EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORDS**

Members considered the Public Executive Decision Records

An opportunity for questions followed.

NOTED.

31/23 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Committee is Wednesday 13th December 2023.

NOTED.

At this juncture the Chief Executive joined the meeting.

32/23 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Resolved:

At this juncture, it was proposed and duly seconded that the Item 11 be considered in the public part of the meeting.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows.

Those voting for the motion	Those voting against	Those abstaining
Councillor G. Allen Councillor A. Clarke Councillor R. Lock		Councillor K. Smith Councillor M. Huckerby Councillor M. Shrive

33/23 **SCRUTINY REVIEW PROGRAMME UPDATE**

The Programmes and Transformation Officer invited all Officer's and Cabinet Member invited to attend, to introduce themselves.

An opportunity for questions followed.

The Cabinet Member and Head of Corporate and Environment Services outlined a procurement process will be undertook shortly in regard to the roof repair.

The Communities and Open Spaces Manager and Maintenance Officer confirmed that recurring maintenance has not ceased and continues to be carried out.

The Cabinet Member for Tourism and Cultural Development confirmed that they are providing support with existing traders with the transition and that they want the Market Hall to be the thriving heartbeat of the town.

34/23 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Resolved:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A) (4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the Press and Public be excluded from the Meeting during discussion of the following items as it would likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets before each item number on the Agenda.

PRIVATE MINUTES

PRIVATE EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORDS