

EAST STAFFORDSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

SCRUTINY (VALUE FOR MONEY COUNCIL) COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting of the Scrutiny (Value for Money Council) Committee held in the Coltman VC Room, Town Hall on Thursday 11th April 2024 at 6.30pm.

Present:

Councillors Z. Krupski (Chairman), A. Bailey, A. Clarke, S. Gaskin, M. Holton, P. Krupski, S. Sankey (via Zoom) and M. Shrive

Officers Present:

James Abbott (Corporate and Commercial Manager) and Daniel Caulkett (Democratic Services Officer)

58/24 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

59/24 **URGENT BUSINESS**

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

60/24 **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

There were no questions from members of the public submitted.

61/24 **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE**

There were no questions from members of the Committee submitted.

62/24 **PUBLIC MINUTES**

Resolved:

That the Public Minutes of the Meeting held on the 20th March 2024 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 |
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| Councillor Z. Krupski Councillor A. Bailey Councillor A. Clarke Councillor S. Gaskin | | Councillor S. Sankey* |

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| Councillor M. Holton | | |
| Councillor P. Krupski | | |
| Councillor M. Shrive | | |

* Attended via Zoom so did not vote there upon

63/24 **CAR PARKING CHARGES SCRUTINY REVIEW**

The Corporate and Commercial Manager provided a short presentation on the Car Parking Charges Scrutiny Review final report, and outlined the recommendations to be presented to Cabinet.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows.

| Those voting for the motion | Those voting against | Those abstaining |
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| Councillor Z. Krupski Councillor A. Bailey Councillor A. Clarke Councillor S. Gaskin Councillor M. Holton Councillor P. Krupski Councillor M. Shrive | | Councillor S. Sankey* |

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64/24 **GROUNDS MAINTENANCE SCRUTINY REVIEW**

The Corporate and Commercial Manager provided a short presentation on the Grounds Maintenance Scrutiny Review final report, and outlined the recommendations to be presented to Cabinet.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows.

| Those voting for the motion | Those voting against | Those abstaining |
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| Councillor Z. Krupski Councillor A. Bailey Councillor A. Clarke Councillor S. Gaskin Councillor M. Holton Councillor P. Krupski Councillor M. Shrive | | Councillor S. Sankey* |

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65/24 **FUTURE REVIEWS**

The Corporate and Commercial Manager invited members to provide suggestions for future scrutiny review.

Topics suggested:

- Cost effectiveness of CCTV
- Fly-tipping
- Electric Vehicle Charging Programme (off-street and car parks)
- Cost of Brewhouse/ Town Hall
- Usage of Civic Function Suite

The Corporate and Commercial Manager indicated that the suggested topics listed would be circulated along with additional resources such as the Corporate Plan and Forward Plan for agreement on a programme of reviews to be agreed ahead of the next meeting.

66/24 **PUBLIC EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORDS**

Members considered the Public Executive Decision Records

NOTED.

67/24 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Committee is to be confirmed.

68/24 **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.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows.

| Those voting for the motion | Those voting against | Those abstaining |
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| Councillor Z. Krupski Councillor A. Bailey Councillor A. Clarke Councillor S. Gaskin | | Councillor S. Sankey* |

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