
SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 14 JULY 2022

Present: Councillors Fuller (Chair), Cooper, Furnell, Guthrie, Houghton, Shields and Stead
Appointed Members: Rob Sanders

Apologies: Councillors P Baillie and Winning
Appointed Members: Catherine Hobbs and Francis Otieno

Also in attendance: Councillor Fielker – Cabinet Member for Health, Adults and Leisure

4. **APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR**

RESOLVED that Councillor Houghton be elected as Vice- Chair for the Municipal Year 2022-2023

5. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (INCLUDING MATTERS ARISING)**

RESOLVED: that the minutes for the Committee meeting on 9 June 2022 be approved and signed as a correct record.

6. **FORWARD PLAN**

The Committee considered the report of Director, Legal and Business Services enabling the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee to examine the content of the Forward Plan and to discuss issues of interest or concern with the Executive.

The Committee considered the briefing paper attached to this item detailing the forthcoming Cabinet Decision. Councillor Fielker- Cabinet Member for Health, Adults and Leisure, Paul Paskins - Head of Supplier Management, Becky Wilkinson - Public Health Consultant and a number of community representatives were present and, with the consent of the Chair address the meeting.

The Chair moved that the Committee request that the Cabinet Decision is delayed in order to enable full financial modelling to be undertaken and success metrics to be developed. Upon being put to the vote this motion was passed on a recorded vote

RECORDED VOTE to support the Motion by the Chair to delay the opening.

FOR: Councillors Fuller, Houghton Guthrie and Stead

AGAINST: Councillors Cooper, Furnell and Shields

The Committee unanimously agreed the remaining recommendations (ii-iv) as set out below.

Resolved: that the Committee requested that:

- (i) to enable value for money to be demonstrated, Cabinet postpones the scheduled decision on the re-opening of St Mary's Leisure Centre to enable full financial modelling to be undertaken and success metrics to be developed.

- (ii) irrespective of Cabinet agreeing to postpone the decision to re-open St Mary's Leisure Centre, success metrics for the initiative are developed and performance against the key indicators, including user numbers, is reported to the Committee after 6 and 12 months of the centre re-opening.
- (iii) the Administration gives due consideration to the potential impact on the viability of other community venues across the City when developing the future activity programme at St Mary's Leisure Centre.
- (iv) the Committee are provided with information detailing how much of the Council's repairs and maintenance budget has not been committed for 2022/23.

7. **CARER FRIENDLY SOUTHAMPTON - PROGRESS UPDATE**

The Committee considered the report of the Cabinet Member for Health, Adults and Leisure updating the Committee on the progress made implementing the agreed recommendations from the Carer Friendly Southampton Scrutiny Inquiry.

RESOLVED that Committee recommended that:

- (i) the Cabinet Member should ensure the Young Carers Action Plan is circulated to the Committee when it is available, and that clarification is provided outlining the reasons behind the delay in the production of this action plan.
- (ii) the Cabinet Member should give consideration is given to how the City of Culture funding awarded to Southampton could be utilised to support the wider engagement of carers in cultural activities and the delivery of the aspirations outlined in 2.4c in the Adult Carers Action Plan.
- (iii) the Committee re-consider the item prior to the re-tendering of the Carers Service.

Chair



11 August 2022