
SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12 JANUARY 2023

Present: Councillors Fuller (Chair), Houghton (Vice-Chair), Cooper, Guthrie, Moulton, White, Winning, T Bunday and Furnell
Appointed Members: Rob Sanders and Francis Otieno

Apologies: Councillors Savage and Shields

Also in attendance: Cabinet Member for Transport and District Regeneration – Councillor Keogh
Cabinet Member for Safe City – Councillor Renyard

34. **APOLOGIES AND CHANGES IN PANEL MEMBERSHIP (IF ANY)**

It was noted that following receipt of the temporary resignation of Councillors Savage and Shields from the Committee, the Monitoring Officer, acting under delegated powers, had appointed Councillors A Bunday and Furnell to replace them for the purposes of this meeting.

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

RESOLVED: that the minutes for the Committee meeting on 15 December 2022 be approved and signed as a correct record.

36. **FORWARD PLAN**

The Committee considered the report of the Scrutiny Manager 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.

In regard to Appendix 1 the Cabinet Member for Transport and District Regeneration – Councillor Keogh and Wade Holmes - Service Manager for Integrated Transport were present and with the consent of the Chair addressed the meeting.

RESOLVED:

(i) On consideration of the briefing paper relating to the forthcoming Cabinet Decision “Application for the designation of civil enforcement area for moving violations” the Committee noted the forthcoming decision.

37. **SAFE CITY PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL REVIEW**

The Committee considered the report of the Chair of the Safe City Partnership providing the Committee with an update for 2021/22 on community safety in Southampton and the Safe City Partnership.

Barbara Swyer - Chair of the Safe City Partnership, Cabinet Member for Safe City – Councillor Renyard, Chief Inspector Marcus Kennedy - Hampshire Constabulary, Claire Edgar - Executive Director Wellbeing and Housing and Chris Brown - Community

Cohesion Manager were in attendance and with the consent of the Chair addressed the meeting.

RESOLVED that the Committee recommended that:

- (1) To improve confidence in the safe city partners, the Safe City Partnership reflects on the importance of communicating positive actions and outcomes to the public.
- (2) The Sector Sergeants within the Neighbourhood Policing Teams seek to develop effective relationships and lines of communication with Ward Councillors to ensure that the Constabulary are informed about issues and concerns impacting on the local community.
- (3) Consideration is given to refreshing and rebranding the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme in Southampton to reflect the technological opportunities that are now available.
- (4) To raise its profile and public support, the connection between community groups, Councillors and Community Payback is enhanced.
- (5) To build on the strengths of the Safe City Partnership, the Partnership reviews good practice from high performing comparable partnerships across England and Wales.
- (6) To provide a more accurate insight into the effectiveness of the Safe City Partnership, the next iteration of the annual report to scrutiny is more strengths based, providing a balanced narrative outlining positive outcomes alongside the published crime data.

38. **MONITORING SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE EXECUTIVE**

The Committee noted the report of the Scrutiny Manager enabling the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee to monitor and track progress on recommendations made to the Executive at previous meetings.