

HASSOCKS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the **POLICY, RESOURCES and COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE**
meeting held on **Tuesday 25th July 2017 at 7.30pm**

Attendees: Parish Councillors: Judith Foot; Kate Bailey, Georgia Cheshire; Sue Hatton; Chris Hobbs and Ian Weir.

Clerk: Ian Cumberworth

PRC17/10 APOLOGIES: Cllr Frances Gaudencio; Peter Gibbons and Justine Fisher

PRC17/11 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS: None declared.

PRC17/12 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th July 2017 as previously circulated were accepted subject to the insertion of the names of the two members (Cllr Foot and Cllr Fisher) considered for the position of Vice Chair the Committee was an accurate record.

PRC17/13 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION. There were no members of the public present.

PRC17/14 REPORTS

14.1 Business Plan

The Clerk introduced this report which set out the draft Business Plan (Appendix 1) proposals to be considered as part of the development of the 2018 – 2023 Business Plan. The plan had been divided into six sections and then individual elements assigned to specific Committees to develop.

With regard to Policy Resources & Communication Committee 5 out of the 6 sections have work streams assigned to the Committee.

- Neighbourhood Plan (2)
- Engaging with the Community (4)
- A Parish for all (2)
- A great place to live, work and enjoy (3)
- Connecting our Villages (0)
- Our Staff and Ourselves (3)

The Clerk indicated that members should be encouraged to participate fully in the development of the detailed plan not only for the elements assigned specifically for this Committee but the wider document covering other Committees. If members had any specific comments on the plan or wished for additional priorities to be considered as part of the wider process they were invited to direct these through the clerk's office

so that they can be co-ordinated and fed into the appropriate work streams.

Members were then requested to consider the detailed elements assigned to Policy Resources & Communications and to seek volunteers to work up the detailed plan for consideration at a future Policy Resources & Communications Committee.

Cllr Foot took members through each section of the plan and discussed each priority in turn (14), members actively participated in this approach and discussed each element in detail providing suggestions as to how each of these could be developed further as part of the future scoping exercise.

Members also considered whether the elements that had been assigned to Policy Resources & Communications Committee were appropriate; overall members were satisfied with the work streams allocated however it was felt that item (3) relating to youth set out in the section Parish for All assigned to Grounds and Environment should also be assigned to Policy Resources & Communications Committee.

Cllr Weir indicated that he had identified a number of additions/amendments he would like to be considered as part of the Policy Resources & Communications business plan programme and undertook to forward these via the clerk to enable them to be considered as part of the work streams.

Members also discussed the need to engage with other partners as the plan develops to ensure opportunities to work together are explored and to encourage greater partnership initiatives where feasible. Members agreed to do this once the plan has been developed further by the respective Committees. It was also agreed to develop an overarching vision statement to reflect the ethos of the Council which could be based on the one developed for the previous plan.

RESOLVED

That Cllr Judith Foot and Cllr Frances Gaudencio be nominated to develop the business plan actions assigned to the Policy Resource and Communications Committee so that the detailed priorities can be considered at a future meeting.

PRC17/15 Urgent Matters at the discretion of the Chair for noting and/or inclusion on a future agenda.

There were no other urgent matters.

Meeting closed at 9.45

PRC17/16 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

19th September 2017