

AT A MEETING of the Policy and Resources Select Committee of HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL held at the Castle, Winchester on Thursday, 5th November, 2020

Chairman:

\* Councillor Jonathan Glen

Councillor Keith Evans	* Councillor Jackie Porter
Councillor Adam Carew	* Councillor Bruce Tennent
Councillor Fran Carpenter	* Councillor Michael Westbrook
* Councillor Adrian Collett	* Councillor Bill Withers Lt Col (Retd)
* Councillor Roger Huxstep	* Councillor Christopher Carter
* Councillor Peter Latham	
* Councillor Anna McNair Scott	
* Councillor Kirsty North	
* Councillor Russell Oppenheimer	

Also present with the agreement of the Chairman: Councillor Keith Mans, Leader of the Council and Executive Member for Policy and Resources, Councillor Stephen Reid, Executive Member for Commercial Strategy, Human Resources and Performance and Councillor Judith Grajewski, Executive Member for Public Health.

**148. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillor Fran Carpenter and Councillor Chris Carter attended the meeting as the Conservative substitute.

**149. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members were mindful that where they believed they had a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter considered at the meeting they must declare that interest at the time of the relevant debate and, having regard to the circumstances described in Part 3, Paragraph 1.5 of the County Council's Members' Code of Conduct, leave the meeting while the matter was discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with Paragraph 1.6 of the Code. Furthermore Members were mindful that where they believed they had a Non-Pecuniary interest in a matter being considered at the meeting they considered whether such interest should be declared, and having regard to Part 5, Paragraph 2 of the Code, considered whether it was appropriate to leave the meeting whilst the matter was discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with the Code.

Councillor Jackie Porter declared an interest in Item 8 on the agenda as the Chairman of the Winchester Community Safety Partnership.

**150. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the last meeting were reviewed and agreed.

151. **DEPUTATIONS**

There were no deputations on this occasion.

152. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman outlined timings for the meeting.

153. **PRESENTATION FROM THE LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIPS**

The Committee received a joint presentation from Kathy Slack and Anne-Marie Mountfield from Enterprise M3 and Solent Local Enterprise Partnerships respectively on the use of Government funds and the projects it had supported over the last year.

Members were advised that Enterprise M3 (EM3) had invested a total of 97% of the total funding allocated to it (over £170m since 2014) helping to drive forward economic growth. For Solent LEP this figure was 99% (£157m since 2014).

It was noted that both LEPs had also been allocated funding in June this year from the Government's Getting Building Fund to help stimulate the economy which was required to be spent by March 2022 (EM3 £13.3m and Solent). Details of particular investment projects were highlighted.

During the presentation a number of key activities and projects were highlighted around Town Centres, Transport and Smart Mobility, Clean Growth, Supporting Skills and Connecting Communities.

During discussion, detailed questions were answered around the flexibility of timings for the delivery on projects and the Gigabit M3 delivery.

RESOLVED:

That presentations from both the Enterprise M3 and Solent LEPs be noted.

154. **ECONOMIC RECOVERY UPDATE AND MEASURES**

The Committee received a presentation from the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment (Item 7 in the Minute Book) giving an update on Hampshire's economic recovery since the Covid 19 Pandemic.

During the presentation, Members were advised that the leisure industry had been especially impacted and assistance was on hand for the winter to assist businesses. Short, medium and longer term plans had been put in place and opportunities for office regeneration. Rural connectivity and broadband remained a priority, particularly with so many people relying on stable and reliable internet connections for online business.

An update was also given on the Government's plans to create Freeports across the nation to help drive Britain's post-Brexit growth.

155. **HAMPSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY STRATEGY GROUP**

The Committee considered a report of the Director of Adults', Health and Care providing an update on the work of the Hampshire Community Safety Strategy Group (Item 8 in the Minute Book).

The Director highlighted the key elements of the report and updated the Committee on the positive progress in the work of the Hampshire Community Safety Strategy Group, especially during the Covid19 measures in ensuring greater alignment and effective multi-agency working to address Hampshire's community safety priorities.

During discussion, it was noted that detailed work on the PREVENT agenda was being reported to Cabinet at its meeting later this month.

A number of questions were answered on:

- Community Treatment Orders
- Numbers and ages of referrals to channels under PREVENT. Further details to be provided to a future meeting.
- Current capacity of CAMHS

RESOLVED:

That the Policy and Resources Select Committee notes the progress on the work of the Hampshire Community Safety Strategy Group (HCSSG) in establishing strategic community safety priorities for Hampshire and for overseeing effective multi-agency collaborative arrangements.

156. **WORK PROGRAMME**

The Committee considered a report of Director of Transformation and Governance – Corporate Services (Item 9 in the Minute Book) regarding the Work Programme.

RESOLVED:

That the Work Programme be agreed.

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Chairman,