
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AND
PARTNERSHIPS COMMITTEE, HELD ON MONDAY 10 JULY 2017 AT 7.30 PM
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNCIL OFFICES, THORPE ROAD, WEELEY**

Present:	Councillors Baker (Vice-Chairman, in the Chair), Amos, Broderick, Chapman, Gray, I Henderson, Newton, Pemberton and Poonian
Also Present:	Councillors Bennison, Bush, Parsons, Stephenson and Whitmore
In Attendance:	Lisa Hastings (Head of Governance and Legal Services), Karen Neath (Head of Leadership Support and Community) and Katie Sullivan (Committee Services Officer)
Also In Attendance:	Melanie Hammond (Operations Director – Citizens Advice Tendring), Neil Lawrence (Strategy Director – Citizens Advice Tendring), Chris Bird (Trustee and Treasurer – Citizens Advice Tendring), Sharon Alexander (Chief Officer - Community Voluntary Services Tendring) and Lisa Andrews (Deputy Chief Officer Community Voluntary Services Tendring)

6. CHAIR

In the absence of the Chairman (Councillor Fairley), the Chair was occupied by the Vice-Chairman (Councillor Baker).

7. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS

There were apologies for absence received from Councillor Yallop (with Councillor Chapman substituting), Councillor Land (with no substitute) and Councillor Fairley (with no substitute).

8. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, held on Monday 22 May 2017, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

9. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

Later on in the meeting, as mentioned below in minute 10, Councillor Broderick declared that she had been a member of the Citizens Advice Bureau for around eight years, however, membership arrangements were being reviewed by its Trustees.

10. CITIZENS ADVICE TENDRING

Citizens Advice Tendring's Operations Director (Melanie Hammond), Strategy Director (Neil Lawrence) and Trustee and Treasurer (Chris Bird) were in attendance and gave the Committee a presentation which covered the following:-

1. Introduction;
2. AQS Accredited to provide advice on debt, benefits, family and relationship issues, employment, consumer issues and rights;

3. Where they work;
4. Drop-in advice sessions and booked appointments;
5. Statistics on who they help, how they help, what they help with and which wards within the District clients come from;
6. Volunteers;
7. Mental Health Hub (CCG partnership funded);
8. Research and Campaigns;
9. New membership package;
10. Digital services including webchat, an advice line and email advice;
11. Priorities for 2017-19; and
12. Positive feedback from clients.

Following on from the presentation Members were given the opportunity to ask questions.

Councillor Broderick declared that she had been a member of the Citizens Advice Bureau for around eight years, however, membership arrangements were being reviewed by its Trustees.

The Chairman thanked Melanie Hammond, Neil Lawrence and Chris Bird for their presentation.

11. COMMUNITY VOLUNTARY SERVICES TENDRING

Community Voluntary Services Tendring's Chief Officer (Sharon Alexander) and Deputy Chief Officer (Lisa Andrews) were in attendance and gave the Committee a presentation which covered the following:-

1. Introduction;
2. Their mission - To lead and support voluntary action in Tendring and empower local people;
3. Member groups;
4. Voluntary Sector Forum;
5. Tendring Trustee Network;
6. Training and courses;
7. Support and services;
8. Partnerships;
9. The various different voluntary opportunities which included Administration, Walking Guides; Business Support and Catering;
10. HILL – Healthier Independent Longer Lives (a short video was shown to the Committee about this project);
11. Plans for the future; and
12. Funding.

Community Voluntary Services Tendring's Impact Report 2016-2017 had been circulated to the Committee prior to the meeting.

Following on from the presentation Members were given the opportunity to ask questions.

After discussion, it was moved by Councillor I Henderson, seconded by Councillor Pemberton and **AGREED** that the Committee **RECOMMENDS TO CABINET** that with regard to mental health support in Tendring, the issue of the cycle of referral, delay of appointment and re-referral be raised with the relevant health authorities as this is continually being raised as an important issue that needs some action taken.

The Chairman thanked Sharon Alexander and Lisa Andrews for their presentation.

12. REFERENCE FROM COUNCIL - A.1 - PROPOSED COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW REGARDING A TOWN COUNCIL FOR CLACTON-ON-SEA

The Committee had before it a reference from Council (A.1) which gave details of a motion submitted by Councillor Parsons to the meeting of the Council held on 9 May 2017.

The Committee was aware that, at that meeting, the motion had been moved by Councillor Parsons and seconded by Councillor Bucke and, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11.4, had stood referred to the Community Leadership and Partnerships Committee for consideration and report.

Councillor Parsons, who was in attendance, was invited to address the Committee and read out the motion:

"This Council, in accordance with Local Government and Public Health Act 2007 (as amended) and the statutory guidance issued by DCLG in 2010, conducts a Community Governance Review following the conclusion of the LGBCE Ward Boundaries review, with the view to creating a Clacton Town Council to come into effect in 2023. During this review the Council will consult with members of the public and other stakeholders as to the creation of a Clacton Town Council which will be intended to serve the areas of Clacton-on-Sea that are not currently being represented by a Town or a Parish Council. This will be inclusive of the following current wards:

*Golf Green
Rush Green
Bockings Elm
Peter Bruff
Alton Park
St James
Pier
St Mary's
St John's
Burrsville
St Paul's
St Bartholomews
Haven*

In addition, this Council will authorise Officers to, with regard to the aforementioned guidance and acts, draft potential boundaries within the specification above, potentially through a working party, for Full Council approval prior to public consultation."

Councillor Parsons then explained the motion to the Committee and then Members were then given the opportunity to ask questions.

The Council's Head of Governance and Legal Services (Lisa Hastings) clarified what the Committee were being asked to make a decision on and the procedure that would be followed should they recommend to Council that the motion be supported or not.

Following discussion, it was **RESOLVED** that the Committee recommends that Council supports the motion as written except that the legislation referred to be amended to the *Local Government and Improvement in Public Health Act 2007 (as amended.)*

The meeting was declared closed at 9.55 pm

Chairman